



# State of Tennessee

## PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 600

### SENATE BILL NO. 1612

By Massey, Dickerson, Robinson, Yager, Jackson, Powers, Rose

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1596

By Howell, Jernigan, Moody, Powell, Calfee, Helton, Mitchell, Van Huss, Cepicky, Doggett, Matthew Hill, Timothy Hill, Kumar, Leatherwood, Hall, Eldridge, Jerry Sexton, Ogles, Whitson, Wright, Russell, Moon, Todd, Littleton, Travis, Sherrell, Freeman, Powers, Byrd, Hardaway, Hurt, White, Carter, Potts, Smith, Terry, Boyd, Thompson, Lynn, Keisling, Hawk, Gloria Johnson, Haston, Lamar, Beck, Ragan, Faison, Staples, Tillis

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 23; Title 54 and Title 55, relative to transportation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 23, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) This section shall be known and may be cited as the "Tennessee Accessible Transportation and Mobility Act of 2020."

(b) At the direction of the commissioner, the department shall create and administer an office within the department to be known as the office of accessible transportation and mobility.

(c) The purpose of the office is to provide resources and expertise for expanding and improving accessible transportation and mobility across the state at the direction of the commissioner.

(d) All appropriate state and local agencies shall coordinate with the department of transportation toward the goal of expanding and improving accessible transportation and mobility across the state.

(e) The office shall consult with stakeholders, selected by the department, who are consumers of accessible transportation as well as professionals with experience in transportation, disability, and aging to produce the following on or before March 31, 2021:

(1) A detailed statement on the office's mission and scope of responsibilities;

(2) A five-year strategic plan to guide the office's work; and

(3) A report to the chairs of the transportation committee of the house of representatives and the transportation and safety committee of the senate and to the public regarding needs for mobility and accessible transportation in the state, which is to be submitted annually thereafter.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: March 12, 2020

  
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RANDY Mc ALLY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
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CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020

  
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BILL LEE, GOVERNOR