

CHAPTER NO. 539

SENATE BILL NO. 2853

By Graves, Burks, Davis, Person

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2579

By Fowlkes

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 7, relative to teen court.

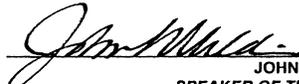
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-704(b), is amended by deleting the first sentence of the subsection and by substituting instead the following:

Youth participating in teen court programs may not receive any compensation for their service; provided, youth participating in teen court may receive unsolicited tokens or awards of appreciation, or bona fide awards in recognition of public service in the form of a plaque, trophy, desk item, tee-shirt, beverage mug, plastic cup, wall memento and similar items; provided, further, that any such item shall not be in a form which can be readily converted to cash. In the event a youth participating in teen court attends a conference, training, retreat or similar event as a part of the youth's participation in teen court, the youth may be reimbursed for such travel expenses in conformity with comprehensive travel regulations as promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration and approved by the Attorney General and reporter.

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

PASSED: March 18, 2002

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 2002

  
DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR