

CHAPTER NO. 853

SENATE BILL NO. 602

By Haun, Cooper

Substituted for: House Bill No. 669

By Kisber

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 27, relative to group insurance for public officers and employees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-203, is amended in the first sentence by deleting the language "may elect to retain state employees' health group insurance by assuming the state's share of costs in addition to such senator's or representative's contribution." and by substituting instead the following:

, and upon completion of a term of office, the Governor, may elect to retain state employees' health group insurance by paying a monthly premium according to the schedule of premium specified in § 8-27-205(b)(1).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-203, is further amended in the second sentence by deleting the language "who shall die in office or who is a member of the state retirement system may elect to participate in the state employees' health group insurance plan by assuming the state's share of cost in addition to their own contributions." and by substituting instead the following:

, or Governor, who shall die in office or who is a member of the state retirement system may elect to participate in the state employees' health group insurance plan by continuing to pay the monthly contribution attributable to the deceased senator, representative, or governor's service.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-27-203, is further amended by adding the following sentence to the end of the section:

It is the intent of the General Assembly that all living former Governors be afforded an opportunity to participate in the state employees' health group insurance plan as authorized in this section.

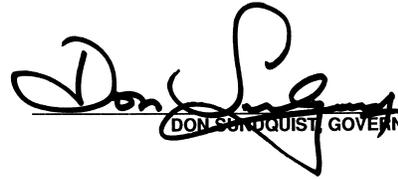
SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: July 4, 2002


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 4th day of July 2002


DON S. QUIGLEY, GOVERNOR