

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 288

SENATE BILL NO. 1353

By Haynes, Marrero

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1910

By Rinks, Coley, Kelsey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2 and Title 3, Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to mailings sent in close proximity to an election.

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

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

Section 3-1-120. Any mass mailings, including surveys and newsletters, that a member of the general assembly sends to persons in the member's district within thirty (30) days of any election in which such member's name appears on the ballot shall be paid from non-state funds. For purposes of this section, "election" does not include any early voting period. For purposes of this section, "mass mailing" means more than two hundred (200) pieces of substantially similar material mailed within a seven-day period but does not include a form letter or other mail that is sent in response to an unsolicited request, letter or other inquiry.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 14, 2007



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 30th day of May 2007



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR