SENATE BILL 2275
By Beavers

HOUSE BILL 2600

By Sparks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 3, relative to defining certain terms used in vital and historical records.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 3, Part 1, is amended by adding the following new section:

(a) In order to protect the integrity and accuracy of vital and historical records in the state of Tennessee:

(1) The term “husband” in all governmental records and public filings shall be defined and designated as a natural-born male as defined by the person’s original certificate of birth; and

(2) The term “wife” in all governmental records and public filings shall be defined and designated as a natural-born female as defined by the person’s original certificate of birth.

(b) Documents presented for filing with the office of vital records that do not conform to this section shall be considered void.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-3-102, is amended by adding the following as new, appropriately designated subdivisions:

( ) “Male” means a person born as a natural-born male as noted on the person’s original certificate of birth;

( ) “Female” means a person born as a natural-born female as noted on the person’s original certificate of birth;

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.