State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 1083

SENATE BILL NO. 1713

By Johnson, Hensley, Rose, Stevens, Crowe, Gardenhire

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1664

By Maberry, Reneau, McCalmon, Todd

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 49, relative to discriminatory preferences.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-1-427, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The executive head of each department, agency, or other unit of state government subject to this section shall submit an annual attestation of compliance with subsection (a) to the comptroller of the treasury not later than January 1, 2027, and each January 1 thereafter.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-1-135, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The executive head of each county government subject to this section shall submit an annual attestation of compliance with subsection (a) to the comptroller of the treasury not later than January 1, 2027, and each January 1 thereafter.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-54-150, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The executive head of each municipal government subject to this section shall submit an annual attestation of compliance with subsection (a) to the comptroller of the treasury not later than January 1, 2027, and each January 1 thereafter.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-3-107, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The executive head of each metropolitan government subject to this section shall submit an annual attestation of compliance with subsection (a) to the comptroller of the treasury not later than January 1, 2027, and each January 1 thereafter.

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-7-192, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(c) The executive head or president of each public institution of higher education or the chief executive head of any of its campuses subject to this section shall submit an annual attestation of compliance with subsection (a) to the comptroller of the treasury not later than January 1, 2027, and each January 1 thereafter.

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-1-427, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

( ) The attorney general and reporter may investigate any allegation that a state department, agency, or other unit of state government is acting in violation of this section, § 8-30-109, or another state law prohibiting the use of a discriminatory preference in an effort to increase diversity, equity, or inclusion.

SECTION 7. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 22, 2026

RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

CAMERON SEXTON, *SPEAKER*
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 22nd **day of** May **2026**

BILL LEE, *GOVERNOR*