



SENATE BILL 1858

By Stevens

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 20,
Chapter 18, relative to civil procedure.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 20-18-105(a), is amended by deleting "fifteen (15) calendar" and substituting "ninety (90) calendar".

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

Amendment No. 1 to SB1858

Gardenhire
Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1858*

House Bill No. 2184

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 20-18-101, is amended by deleting subdivisions (b)(1) and (2) and substituting instead:

(1) When an action described in subsection (a) is filed, the person or entity filing the action shall provide notice of the complaint to the presiding judge of the judicial district, who shall notify the supreme court. The supreme court shall select three (3) trial court judges of courts of record to sit as a three-judge panel to hear and decide the civil action.

(2) To ensure that members of the three-judge panel are drawn from different regions of the state, the supreme court shall select one (1) judge from each grand division of the state.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 20-18-102, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

Notwithstanding § 4-4-104 and any other law to the contrary, venue for a civil action described in § 20-18-101(a) is in any county in this state.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 20-18-105(a), is amended by deleting the language "fifteen (15) calendar days" and substituting instead "ninety (90) calendar days".

SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2026, the public welfare requiring it.