SENATE BILL 2454

By Roberts

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 25; Title 8, Chapter 34; Title 8, Chapter 35; Title 8, Chapter 36; Title 8, Chapter 37 and Title 8, Chapter 38, relative to distribution of retirement benefits to nonspouses.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 36, Part 6, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

8-36-612.

- (a) On or after the effective date of this act:
- (1) No benefits shall be paid from a defined benefit plan or defined benefit component of the hybrid plan to a nonspouse beneficiary; and
- (2) No member who participates in a defined benefit plan or defined benefit component of the hybrid plan shall name a nonspouse beneficiary.
- (b) This section shall not apply to members or beneficiaries who were vested under a defined benefit plan or defined benefit component of the hybrid plan prior to the effective date of this act.
- SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.