

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 208

HOUSE BILL NO. 1679

By Representatives Eldridge, Hensley, McManus, Williams, Harrison, John DeBerry, Maggart, Favors, Overbey, Mumpower, Lois DeBerry, Shepard, Ferguson, Pruitt, Armstrong, Crider, DuBois

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1235

By Senator Kilby

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-57-102, relative to qualifications of surgical technologists.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-57-102, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) In addition to individuals identified in § 68-57-101, a person may be employed upon providing sufficient evidence that, prior to the effective date of this act, the person was at any time employed as a surgical technologist for not less than eighteen (18) months in the three (3) years preceding the effective date of this act in a hospital, medical office, surgery center, or an accredited school of surgical technology, as defined by this chapter. An individual who has begun the appropriate training to be a surgical technologist as defined by this act, prior to the effective date of this act, shall be eligible for employment as a surgical technologist provided that such training is completed within three (3) years of the effective date of this act.

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

PASSED: May 7, 2007



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 21st day of May 2007



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR