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**COMPLIER"S NOTE:** Effective September 1, 2014, Chapter 337 of Private Acts of 1972, and all other acts amendatory thereto, are repealed by Private Acts of 2013, Chapter 14.

**SECTION 1.** There is hereby created for the county of Hamblen a court to be known and designated as the Juvenile Court of Hamblen County.

**SECTION 2.** There is hereby created the office of judge of the Juvenile Court of Hamblen County.

**SECTION 3.** The Juvenile Court of Hamblen County shall have the same jurisdiction as provided by general law.

**SECTION 4.** The qualifications of the judge of the Juvenile Court shall be as follows: He shall be an attorney, duly licensed to practice law in the courts of the state, not less than twenty-one (21) years of age. The Quarterly County Court of Hamblen county shall establish the compensation of the judge of the Juvenile Court of Hamblen County on or before September 1, 1974 in an amount which the Quarterly County Court in its discretion establishes as commensurate with the duties and responsibilities of the judge of the Juvenile Court of Hamblen County which is not less than four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4800) nor more than seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7500) per annum to be paid by the County from the general fund in twelve (12) equal monthly installments. In addition, beginning September 1, 1975, the compensation of the Judge of said Court shall be the base salary fixed in this Act adjusted to reflect the percentage of change in the per capita personal income of the state of Tennessee, as defined and published by the United States Department of Commerce, between that of the calendar year 1974 and the calendar year next preceding September 1 of the year for which the salaries are to be paid. The adjustments shall occur on September 1, 1975 and on September 1 every year thereafter for the ensuing year commencing September 1.

As amended by: Private Acts of 1974, Chapter 272

**SECTION 5.** The judge of the Juvenile Court of Hamblen County shall be elected by the qualified voters of the county at the regular August general election in 1972, and shall hold such office from the 1st day of September, 1972, until the first day of September, 1974, and until his successor is elected and qualified. At the August general election of that year, and thereafter, every eight (8) years, the judge shall be elected by the qualified voters of the county.

**SECTION 6.** There shall be provided in the court house of Hamblen County court room and office space for the proper conduct and administration of the Juvenile Court of Hamblen County.

**SECTION 7.** The Clerk of the Circuit and General Sessions Court shall also be the Clerk of the Juvenile Court, but the Clerk shall keep separate books, give separate bonds, and in all respects keep the business of the Juvenile Court separate from the business of the Circuit Court and General Sessions Court of Hamblen County.

As amended by: Private Acts of 2012, Chapter 48

**SECTION 8.** Chapter 235 of the Private Acts of 1947, and all acts amendatory thereto, are hereby amended to provide that the Court of General Sessions of Hamblen County is hereby divested of all juvenile court jurisdiction.

**SECTION 9.** This Act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Quarterly County Court of Hamblen County on or before July 1, 1972. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the Quarterly County Court and certified by him to the secretary of state.

**SECTION 10.** For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this Act, as provided in Section 9, it shall be effective on becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 9.

Passed: March 28, 1972.

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