AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 36; Title 37 and Title 71, relative to children.

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

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

The department shall not require an individual or members of the individual's household to undergo an immunization as a condition of adopting unless the child is under eighteen (18) months of age or has significant documented medical needs that would necessitate the caregiver or members of the caregiver's household being immunized.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 2, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The department of children's services shall not require an individual or members of the individual's household to undergo an immunization as a condition of overseeing a child in foster care under this chapter unless the child is under eighteen (18) months of age or has significant documented medical needs that would necessitate the caregiver or members of the caregiver's household being immunized.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.
SENATE BILL NO. 1337

PASSED: April 29, 2021

RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 11th day of May 2021

BILL LEE, GOVERNOR