

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADOPTION OF THE LOCAL PROVISIONS OF TENNESSEE CODE ANNOTATED § 41-4-115 TO AUTHORIZE THE WEAKLEY COUNTY SHERIFF TO CHARGE INMATES A CO-PAY AMOUNT FOR MEDICAL CARE AT THE WEAKLEY COUNTY JAIL**

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated § 41-4-115 is a local option law which authorizes counties to establish and implement a plan to authorize the Sheriff of the county to charge inmates a co-pay amount for any medical care, treatment, or pharmacy services provided to the inmates by the county; and

WHEREAS, the Weakley County Board of Commissioner has determined that it is in the best interest of the citizens of Weakley County, Tennessee that the county adopt this act and establish a plan to seek co-pay amounts from inmates in the Weakley County Jail; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the county legislative body of Weakley County, Tennessee assembled in regular session on this the 19<sup>th</sup> of May 2003 in Dresden, Tennessee that:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated § 41-4- 115 (d), the Weakley County Sheriff is authorized to seek from inmates incarcerated in the Weakley County jail a co-pay in the amount of \$10.00 (ten dollars) per visit for any visit to a doctor's office, medical clinic, hospital, or other medical facility and a co-pay amount of \$5.00 (five dollars) per prescription for pharmacy services provided to the inmates by Weakley County.

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall not be construed as authorizing the county to deny medical care, treatment, or pharmacy services to an inmate who cannot pay the co-pay amount established by this plan.

SECTIONS 3. Pursuant to the provision of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 41-4-115 (e), if an inmate cannot pay the amounts established by Section 1 of this resolution, the Sheriff is authorized to deduct the co-pay amount from such inmate's commissary account or any other account or fund established by or for the benefit of such inmate while incarcerated.

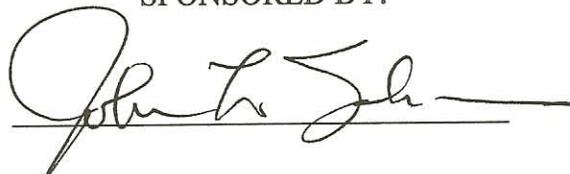
SECTION 4. Pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 41-4-115 (f), the Sheriff is authorized to seek reimbursement of the expenses incurred in providing medical care, treatment, hospitalization, or pharmacy services to an inmate incarcerated in such correctional facility from an insurance company, health care corporation, TennCare, or others source, if the inmate is covered by an insurance policy, TennCare, or subscribes to a health care corporation or other source for those expenses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions of the Board of County Commissioners of Weakley County, Tennessee, which are in conflict with this resolution are hereby repealed.

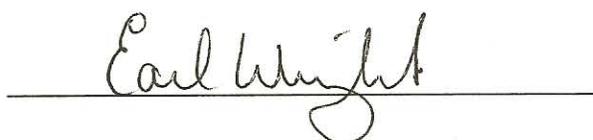
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it. This resolution shall be spread upon the minutes of the Board of County Commissioners.

Pursuant To The Rules Of The Commission, This Resolution Is Sponsored By The Following Members Of The Weakley County Board Of County Commissioners:

SPONSORED BY:

  
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ACKNOWLEDGED AND APPROVED:

  
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Chairman, Public Safety Committee

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Chairman, Finance, Ways, & Means Committee