

**Highlights - ACLU-TN Legislative Charts: Criminal Justice- Death Penalty
105th TGA, Second Session, 2008**

BILL #	SPONSORS	COMMITTEE	DESCRIPTION	POSITION	STATUS
SB2559	Jackson	Withdrawn.	Creates the "Tennessee Innocence Commission" to investigate cases in which an innocent person was wrongly convicted; to identify errors in the criminal justice system; and to recommend solutions to correct these errors. - Amends TCA Title 16 and Title 40.	Support	
HB2592	Gilmore	Judiciary Committee			
SB2661	Burks	Judiciary Committee	Clarifies that no execution shall be postponed, delayed, or canceled if lethal injection is found to be unconstitutional; requires execution to be performed by any constitutional means available. - Amends TCA Section 40-23-114	Oppose	
HB2539	Fincher	Judiciary Committee			
SB2680	Jackson	Judiciary Committee	Enacts the "Tennessee Death Penalty Open File Discovery Act of 2008." - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 11.	Support	
HB3333	Coleman	Judiciary Committee			
SB2682	Jackson	Government Operation Committee	Enacts the "Tennessee Death Penalty Representation Services Act of 2008." - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 11.	Support	
HB3334	Coleman	Judiciary Committee			
SB2718	Jackson	Judiciary Committee	Extends the reporting period for the special committee to study the administration of the death penalty from one year from the appointment of all members to October 1, 2009. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 2.	Support	
HB2733	Coleman	Judiciary Committee			

SB3698	Roller	Judiciary Committee	Capital Punishment - Requires that sentence of death be carried out by lethal injection using a one-drug protocol to be determined by the department of correction. - Amends TCA Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 2 and Title 40, Chapter 23.	Oppose	
HB3421	Bell	Judiciary Committee			
SB3494	Bunch	Judiciary Committee	Clarifies that intent of general assembly is to proceed with executions by any constitutional means if any state or federal court determines lethal injection or electrocution to be unconstitutional methods under the Tennessee or United States constitutions. - Amends TCA Title 40,	Oppose	
HB3087	Casada	Judiciary Committee			