

# COUNTY OFFICIALS E-NEWS

*Promoting better county government through direct assistance to county officials and their associations.*

## CTAS Featured Service: InfoBytes



Some current challenges to learning and development include time constraints, information overload, and inexperienced employees. As a county official, your time is very valuable. In another effort at providing assistance to county officials, CTAS launched InfoBytes in the summer of 2015. InfoBytes are bite-sized presentations on topics and issues of interest to county officials. A county official should be able to complete each InfoByte in less than 15 minutes.

InfoBytes already available include Drug Fund, Maintenance of Effort, Ethics for County Commissioners, and Tennessee Legislative Update 2015. There are also several InfoBytes on developing an operating budget. The newest InfoByte is titled Purchasing for County Commissioners. This InfoByte provides an overview of the purchasing laws so any county official involved with purchasing may find it helpful.

Most InfoBytes include audio and they are easy to navigate. County officials can access them as many times as they need to learn, research or review a topic. InfoBytes are available from the CTAS website. While they are not for COCTP credit, they do provide helpful information in a bite-sized portion.

[Visit CTAS InfoBytes](#)

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# County Spotlight Carroll County



**County Seat: Huntingdon**

**Population: 28,522**

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Carroll County was founded in 1821 out of the 1818 Great Chicksaw Cession and named after then-Governor William Carroll (1821-1827).

Carroll County is home to several protected areas including the Jarrell Switch Refuge and parts of the Harts Mill Wetland Wildlife Management Area, Natchez Trace State Forest, and Natchez Trace State Park.

For more information, visit <http://www.tnhistoryforkids.org>



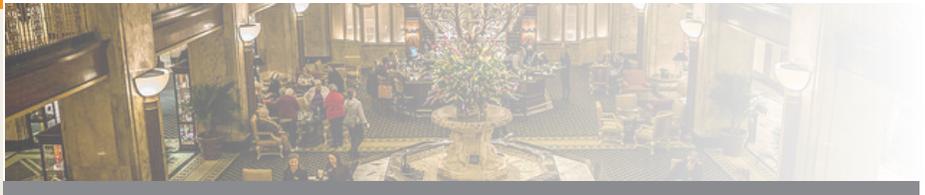
## Don't forget to register for the COAT 47th Annual Conference!



*November 11-13*

*The Peabody Hotel, Memphis*

[Registration Form](#) | [Additional Information](#)



## Upcoming Training Opportunities

DATE	TIME	TITLE	LOCATION
11/11/2015 - 11/13/2015		COAT 47th Annual Fall Conference	The Peabody Hotel, 149 Union Ave, Memphis 38103
11/19/2015	8:30am - 12:30pm ET	Workplace Violence/ Active Shooter	Knoxville - Bridgewater Place, 205 Bridgewater Road
11/20/2015	8:30am - 12:30pm ET	Workplace Violence/ Active Shooter	Johnson City - Carnegie Hotel, 1216 W. State of Franklin Road

## CTAS Training | Events Calendar



## Racial Profiling Prevention Act

PUBLIC CHAPTER 335  
SB 6 - HB 57

During the 2015 legislative session, the General Assembly passed the Racial Profiling Prevention Act. The Act requires each state and local law enforcement agency to adopt, **on or before January 1, 2016**, a written policy that prohibits racial profiling by its employees. The Act defines “racial profiling” as the detention or interdiction of an individual in traffic contacts, field contacts, or asset seizure and forfeiture efforts solely on the basis of the individual’s actual or perceived race, color, ethnicity, or national origin.

The Act became effective on May 4, 2015 and was codified at T.C.A. § 38-1-501 *et seq.*

Public Chapter 335 can be found at <http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/109/pub/pc0335.pdf>

For more information, please contact Terry Hazard, Criminal Justice Consultant at (615) 218-1462.

Reminder:

Remember to update your CTAS website bookmarks! Since we have launched our new site, your old bookmarks may no longer work or display current information.

To update: Delete your existing bookmark, then go to <http://ctas.tennessee.edu>, and bookmark the CTAS website. Please call us at (615) 532-3555 with any questions.



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