

HOUSE BILL 109

By Parkinson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39
and Title 40, relative to criminal offenses involving
drugs.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-417(g)(1), is amended by deleting the language "one-half (1/2) ounce (14.175 grams)" and substituting instead the language "one (1) ounce (28.350 grams)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-418(b), is amended by deleting the language "one-half (1/2) ounce (14.175 grams)" and substituting instead the language "one (1) ounce (28.350 grams)".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-419, is amended by deleting the language "It may be inferred" and substituting instead the language "Except as provided in subsection (b), it may be inferred".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-419, is amended by redesignating the current language as subsection (a) and adding the following language as a new subsection:

(b) The purpose to sell or otherwise dispense shall not be inferred solely from the possession or casual exchange of less than one (1) ounce of marijuana.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.