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HOUSE BILL 324

By Hawk

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to health care.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 33-6-506, is amended by deleting the period at the end of the sentence and by substituting instead the language "upon notification to the appropriate state facility."

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-124(a)(1), is amended by deleting the language "or sell" and substituting the language "sell, or deliver".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-11-310(b), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and substituting instead the following language:

(b) The commissioner shall determine, through the promulgation of rules, the contents of the report, but may request early completion of the report, portions of the report, or special reports when requested to do so by the office of the comptroller or at other times, but only after consultation with the Tennessee Hospital Association and the bureau of TennCare. In no event shall the department of health authorize the reporting of a hospital's statistics for less than a full twelve-month period, unless the hospital was not open during the entire twelve-month period. Any hospital that is open for less than the full twelve-month period of its operation.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-110(c)(1), is amended by deleting the language "thirty (30)" and substituting instead the language "fifteen (15)".

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