

HOUSE BILL 348

By Todd

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5;
Title 6; Title 7; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 54; Title
55, Chapter 20; Title 55, Chapter 52 and Title 68,
relative to safety of children.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated chapter:

68-106-101. For purposes of this part, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) "Child" means any person under eighteen (18) years of age;

(2) "Highway" means the entire width between the boundary lines of every way when any part thereto is open to the use of the public for the purpose of vehicular travel;

(3) "Intersection" means the area embraced within the prolongation or connection of the lateral curb lines, or, if none, then the lateral boundary lines of the roadways of two (2) highways that join one another at, or approximately at, right angles, or the areas within which vehicles traveling upon different highways joining at any other angle may come in conflict;

(4) "Roadway" means that portion of a highway improved, designed or ordinarily used for vehicular travel, exclusive of the berm or shoulder. In the event a highway includes two (2) or more separate roadways, "roadway" refers to any such roadway separately but not to all such roadways collectively; and

(5) "Sidewalk" means the portion of a street between the curb lines, or the lateral lines of a roadway, and the adjacent property lines, intended for use by pedestrians.

68-106-102.

(a) A county may by resolution, and a municipality may by ordinance, prohibit or restrict a child from being present in the roadway of a highway or an intersection for the purpose of the child's participation in soliciting or collecting money.

(b) This section shall not apply to private roads or driveways, nor shall this section prevent children from using sidewalks.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.