

HOUSE BILL 1110

By Camper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 13, relative to assault.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-111, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

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(1) In addition to any other punishment that may be imposed for a violation of this section, if a defendant is convicted of domestic assault and a law enforcement agency can prove that such agency has responded to a domestic disturbance instigated by the defendant on more than one (1) occasion, then the defendant shall be fined five hundred dollars (\$500) per such incident.

(2) Proceeds from these fines shall be designated to enhance law enforcement response to domestic violence and to fund a family safety center or shelter for victims, or other related domestic violence services, as determined by ordinance or resolution of the local legislative body of the municipality or county.

(3) Proceeds may not be used to supplement the general fund of the municipality or county receiving the funds.

(4) Local law enforcement shall establish a means of accurately determining the jurisdiction in which the domestic violence call was answered and provide that data to the court prior to sentencing.

(5) The local court clerk will collect the fines and disburse them to the municipality or county at least quarterly.

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