



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 416

HOUSE BILL NO. 1444

By Representatives Lamberth, Russell, Gant, Sherrell, Tim Hicks, Ragan, Doggett, Alexander, White, Moody, Warner, McCalmon, Greg Martin, Marsh

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1349

By Senator Lundberg

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 41 and Title 55, relative to criminal law.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-402, is amended by deleting subsection (g).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-507(a)(2), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (a)(2)(A) and adding the following subdivision (a)(2)(B):

(B) Notwithstanding subdivision (a)(2)(A), a noncommercial, not-for-hire vehicle is not in compliance with this subsection (a) if hard debris on the noncommercial, not-for-hire vehicle falls or blows off and comes into contact with another motor vehicle while the vehicle is being operated.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-507, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and substituting:

(b)

(1) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(2), a violation of this section is a Class B misdemeanor. In addition to the penalties for a Class B misdemeanor, the court may impose any of the penalties set forth in § 39-14-503(d).

(2) A violation of subdivision (a)(2)(B) is a Class C misdemeanor.

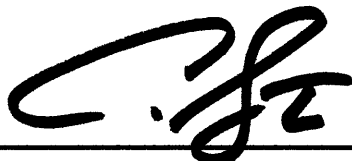
SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-501, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

() Notwithstanding this section to the contrary, there is no release eligibility for a person committing the offense of vehicular homicide, as defined in § 39-13-213, and leaving the scene of the accident, as defined in § 55-10-101(a), on or after July 1, 2023. The person shall serve one hundred percent (100%) of the sentence imposed by the court undiminished by any sentence reduction credits the person may be eligible for or earn. The person shall be permitted to earn any credits for which the person is eligible, and the credits may be used for the purpose of increased privileges, reduced security classification, or for a purpose other than the reduction of the sentence imposed by the court.

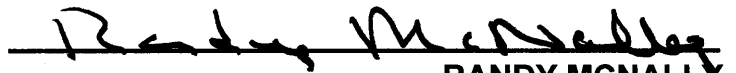
SECTION 5. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 21, 2023



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 11th day of May 2023



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR