## **HOUSE BILL 1615**

## By Richey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to executive orders.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-2-120, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

In the event of an emergency declared pursuant to this chapter, a person or representative thereof violating an order, rule, or regulation promulgated pursuant to this chapter commits a Class A misdemeanor if:

- (1) The governor specifies in the order, proclamation, or rule that a violation constitutes a Class A misdemeanor; and
- (2) The order, proclamation, or rule is approved by the general assembly as evidenced by the passage of a joint resolution originating in either house.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-2-107(a)(2), is amended by deleting the last sentence of the subdivision and substituting:

Except as provided in § 58-2-120, such executive orders, proclamations, and rules have the force and effect of law.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to all executive orders, proclamations, and rules issued by the governor on or after such date.