

HOUSE BILL 1836

By Pody

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 7; Title 39; Title 53 and Title 71, relative to informing the office of inspector general in the department of finance and administration of certain prosecutions.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

8-7-113.

(a) This section applies in any case involving a prosecution for a violation of any of the following statutes with respect to prescription medications:

- (1) Title 39, chapter 17, part 4;
- (2) Title 53, chapter 11, part 4; or
- (3) Section 71-5-2601.

(b) In a case covered under subsection (a), a district attorney shall report the name and other information that identifies the defendant and the crimes with which the defendant is to be charged to the office of the inspector general in the department of finance and administration prior to charges being presented to a grand jury in order to facilitate investigation by the office of inspector general of possible fraud and other violations of law involving the medical assistance program.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.