HOUSE BILL 2603

By Johnson G

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37; Title 39; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to abortion.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-213(c), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (c)(3):

(3) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a person who performs or attempts to perform an abortion does not commit the offense of criminal abortion if the abortion is performed or attempted by a licensed physician in a licensed hospital or ambulatory surgical treatment center on a patient who is under thirteen (13) years of age. The physician must confirm the patient's date of birth prior to performing or attempting to perform the abortion.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.