



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 766

HOUSE BILL NO. 2655

By Representatives Hawk, Terry, Hakeem, Todd

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2453

By Senators Yager, Walley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56 and Section 63-1-155, relative to electronic delivery of health care.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-1012, is amended by deleting subsection (g).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-155, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

() Subdivision (a)(1)(A) does not prohibit a healthcare provider otherwise acting within the scope of practice of a valid license issued pursuant to this title from delivering services through the use of telehealth.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-1003(a)(6)(A)(iii), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (a), adding the word "and" after the semicolon at the end of the subdivision, and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(b) The requirement of an in-person encounter between the healthcare services provider, the healthcare services provider's practice group, or the healthcare system and the patient within sixteen (16) months prior to the interactive visit is tolled for the duration of a state of emergency declared by the governor pursuant to § 58-2-107; provided, that the healthcare services provider or the patient, or both, are located in the geographical area covered by the applicable state of emergency;

SECTION 4. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to insurance policies or contracts issued, entered into, renewed, or amended on or after the effective date of this act.

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PASSED: March 21, 2022



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 1st day of April 2022



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR