HOUSE BILL 2998

By Cobb

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 8, Part 2, relative to the exercising of due care by motor vehicle drivers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 8, Part 2, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

55-8-202.

- (a) No person shall operate a motor vehicle in motion with an animal in the driver's lap or between the driver and driver's door of such motor vehicle.
 - (b) A violation of this section is punishable as provided by § 55-8-136.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.