



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 299

HOUSE BILL NO. 340

By Representatives Cepicky, Baum, Ragan, Howell, Doggett, Moody, Terry

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 190

By Senators Lundberg, Taylor

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to education.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-3401, is amended by deleting subdivision (g)(2) and substituting:

(2) Notwithstanding this section or another law to the contrary, a student has committed a zero tolerance offense if the student:

(A) Brings to school or is in unauthorized possession on school property of a firearm, as defined in 18 U.S.C. § 921;

(B) Commits aggravated assault as defined in § 39-13-102 or commits an assault that results in bodily injury as defined in § 39-13-101(a)(1) upon any teacher, principal, administrator, any other employee of an LEA, or a school resource officer;

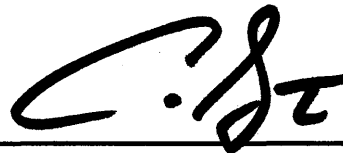
(C) Is in unlawful possession of any drug, including any controlled substance, as defined in §§ 39-17-402 — 39-17-415, controlled substance analogue, as defined by § 39-17-454, or legend drug, as defined by § 53-10-101, on school grounds or at a school-sponsored event; or

(D) Threatens mass violence on school property or at a school-related activity pursuant to § 39-16-517.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 5, 2023



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 28th day of April 2023



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR