

SENATE BILL 256

By Kyle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 4 and Title 40, relative to marijuana.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-418(a), is amended by redesignating existing language as subdivision (a)(1) and adding the following language as a new subdivision (a)(2):

Notwithstanding subdivision (a)(1) and § 39-17-417, it is not an offense for a person to intentionally possess marijuana in an amount less than one (1) ounce (28.35 grams).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-417(g)(1), is amended by deleting the language "A violation of subsection (a)" and substituting instead the language "Except as provided in § 39-17-418(a)(2), a violation of subsection (a)".

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.