

SENATE BILL 644

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 15, Part 2 and Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 2, relative to facilities in which abortions are performed.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-201, is further amended by deleting the following language from subdivision (c)(3):

During viability of the fetus, if the abortion or attempt to procure a miscarriage is performed with the pregnant woman's consent and by the pregnant woman's attending physician, who is licensed or certified under title 63, chapter 6 or 9; and, if all the circumstances and provisions required for a lawful abortion or lawful attempt to procure a miscarriage during the period set out in subdivision (c)(2) are adhered to

and by substituting instead the following:

During viability of the fetus, if the abortion or attempt to procure a miscarriage is performed with the pregnant woman's consent; performed in a hospital, as defined in § 68-11-201, licensed by the state department of health, or a hospital operated by the state of Tennessee or a branch of the federal government; performed by the pregnant woman's attending physician, who is licensed or certified under title 63, chapter 6 or 9

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.