

State of Jennessee

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 531**

## SENATE BILL NO. 673

## By Briggs, Kyle, White, Pody, Powers, Reeves

Substituted for: House Bill No. 787

By Hall, White, Russell, Ramsey, Wright, Moon, Crawford, Griffey, Doggett, Faison, Gant, Hardaway, Lamberth, Ragan, Haston, Tillis, Howell, Powers, Whitson, Hicks, Bricken, Smith, Hazlewood, Hawk, Keisling, Thompson, Towns, Love, Sherrell, Byrd, Helton, Cepicky, Littleton, Williams, Kumar, Powell, Calfee, Clemmons, Windle

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 3, relative to veterans.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 3, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The department of veterans services shall provide training in suicide prevention to the employees of the department who directly interact with veterans. The training provided pursuant to this section must equip employees with the ability to recognize the warning signs of a potential suicide. The department may utilize resources from nonprofit organizations to provide the training required by this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED:

February 27, 2020

2 RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 10th day of March 2020

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BILL LEE, GOVERNOR