

SENATE BILL 701

By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,  
Chapter 17, Part 1, relative to the practice of  
speech language pathology.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-17-103(5)(B)(iv), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(iv) Have protocols in place for emergency medical backup for every setting in which the speech language pathologist performs a procedure using an endoscope. A physician must provide general supervision and be readily available in the event of an emergency, including, but not limited to, physical presence at the setting or availability by telephone or telehealth, as defined in § 63-1-155; and

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