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## **SENATE BILL 869**

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to criminal offenses.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-315, is amended by adding the following new subdivision to subdivision (a)(5):

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 (i) Approaching or confronting that person, or causing another person to approach or confront that person, to give that person gifts for the primary purpose of allowing the defendant access to or contact with that person;

(ii) For purposes of prosecution under subdivision (a)(5)()(i), it is irrelevant and the prosecution need not prove that any gift proffered by the defendant or on behalf of the defendant was unwanted by that person;

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.