SENATE BILL 1044

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54 and Title 55, Chapter 8, relative to state highways.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-140, is amended by designating the existing language as subsection (a) and adding the following as a new subsection (b):

(b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a)(1), the driver of a passenger vehicle intending to make a right turn from a state highway onto an intersecting road, highway, or driveway may move onto the paved shoulder of the highway prior to making the turn in order to permit vehicles following the vehicle making the turn to proceed; provided, that sufficient area on the paved shoulder exists to do so safely and the driver does not move onto the shoulder prior to three hundred feet (300') from the intersection where the turn is to be made.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.