



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 982

SENATE BILL NO. 1281

By Jackson

Substituted for: House Bill No. 655

By Lollar, Daniel, Hulsey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3; Title 4; Title 8; Title 12; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56 and Title 71, relative to state government.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 11, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The department of general services shall ensure that all vehicles purchased or leased with funds appropriated by the state and managed by the department of general services for the use of any department, office, or agency of the state display a vehicle abuse hotline decal. This subsection (a) shall apply only to vehicles displaying a governmental service registration plate of distinctive design issued under § 55-4-223; provided, that this subsection (a) shall not apply to vehicles used by state law enforcement agencies or the department of military.

(b) The decal shall contain a telephone number or website information through which complaints regarding potential misuse of a state vehicle, including speeding, texting and driving, or reckless driving, can be submitted.

(c) The department shall establish and maintain a vehicle abuse hotline and website through which complaints regarding potential misuse of a state vehicle can be submitted. The department shall also establish procedures for notifying departments, offices, and agencies of the state regarding any complaints received and for responding as necessary to those persons submitting complaints.

(d) The cost of implementation of this section shall be provided from within existing resources of the department.

SECTION 2. For purposes of establishing the hotline, website, and necessary procedures, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect January 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.

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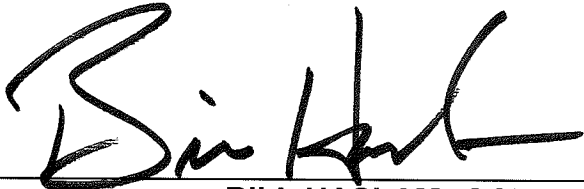


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APPROVED this 21st day of May 2018



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