SENATE BILL 1815

By Overbey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13 and Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to sexual offenses.

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

SECTION 1.Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-514(b)(4)(A), is amended by deleting the subdivision in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(A) Patronizing prostitution from a person who is younger than eighteen (18) years of age or has an intellectual disability is punishable as trafficking for commercial sex acts under § 39-13-309.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-514, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

- (d) It is not a defense to a violation of this section that:
 - (1) The subject of the offense is a law enforcement officer; or
 - (2) The victim of the offense is a minor and consented to the offense.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.