SENATE BILL 1999

By Pody

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to executive orders.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-2-120, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

In the event of an emergency declared pursuant to this chapter, a person or

representative thereof violating an order, rule, or regulation promulgated pursuant to this

chapter commits a Class A misdemeanor if:

(1) The governor specifies in the order, proclamation, or rule that a violation constitutes a Class A misdemeanor; and

(2) The order, proclamation, or rule is approved by the general assembly

as evidenced by the passage of a joint resolution originating in either house.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-2-107(a)(2), is amended by

deleting the last sentence of the subdivision and substituting:

Except as provided in § 58-2-120, such executive orders, proclamations, and

rules have the force and effect of law.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to all executive orders, proclamations, and rules issued by the governor on or after such date.