SENATE BILL 2307

By Harris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to juveniles.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-107(f), is amended by deleting the last sentence.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-117(a)(2), is amended by deleting the last sentence and substituting the following:

The court, in its discretion, may release the child. If the court determines that the child may be released, no appearance bond shall be required and the child shall be released on the child's own recognizance.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-126(c)(4), is amended by deleting the language ", including any cash bond posted by or on behalf of the child or adult,".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 37-1-159(f), is amended by deleting the language ", or on bond,".

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to the determination of a child's release on or after that date.