



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 961

HOUSE BILL NO. 2450

By Representatives Goins, Whitson

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2526

By Senator Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13; Title 40, Chapter 7, Part 1 and Title 55, Chapter 10, Part 4, relative to driving under the influence of drugs and alcohol.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-408(b), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(b)

(1) Upon receipt of a specimen forwarded to the director's office or an accredited crime laboratory for analysis, and the "toxicology request for examination" form, which shall indicate whether or not a breath alcohol test has been administered and the results of that test, the director of the Tennessee bureau of investigation or the director of an accredited crime laboratory shall have the specimen examined for alcohol concentration, the presence of narcotics or other drugs, or for both alcohol and drugs, if requested by the arresting officer, county medical examiner, or any district attorney general. The office of the director of the Tennessee bureau of investigation or the director of an accredited crime laboratory shall execute a certificate or report that indicates the name of the accused, the date, the time, and by whom the specimen was received and examined, and a statement of the alcohol concentration or presence of drugs in the specimen.

(2) As used in this section, "accredited crime laboratory" shall be limited to those crime laboratories that:

(A) Are owned and operated by this state or a political subdivision of this state;

(B) Are accredited under ISO/IEC/17025, with associated supplemental requirements; and

(C) Provide testing within the scope of the accreditation sufficient to meet the requirements as forensic service providers.

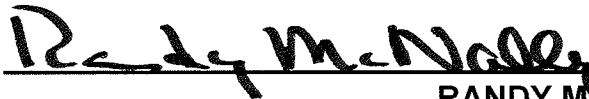
SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 24, 2018

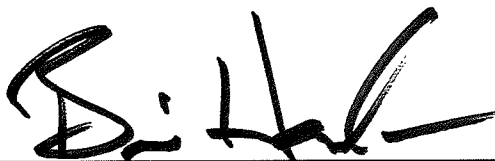


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 15th day of May 2018



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR