## SENATE BILL 2556

## By Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 49, relative to harassment and bullying.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-308, is amended by deleting subsection (a)(4) and substituting instead the following:

(4) Communicates with another person or transmits or displays an image with the intent that the image is viewed by the victim by any method described in subdivision (a)(1), without legitimate purpose:

(A)

- (i) With the malicious intent to intimidate; or
- (ii) In a manner the defendant knows, or reasonably should know, would intimidate a similarly situated person of reasonable sensibilities; and
- (B) As the result of the communication, the person is intimidated.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.