

SENATE BILL 2558

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38;  
Title 63 and Title 68, relative to reporting of injuries  
related to methamphetamine.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

63-6-242.

A physician shall report to law enforcement any wound or injury resulting from exposure to a methamphetamine laboratory or methamphetamine laboratory related fire, explosion or chemical release in accordance with § 38-1-101. A physician who so reports such wound or injury in good faith shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability that might otherwise result by reason of that action.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 9, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

63-9-119.

A physician shall report to law enforcement any wound or injury resulting from exposure to a methamphetamine laboratory or methamphetamine laboratory related fire, explosion or chemical release in accordance with § 38-1-101. A physician who so reports such wound or injury in good faith shall be immune from any civil or criminal liability that might otherwise result by reason of that action.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012 , the public welfare requiring it.