

Tennessee Senate

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 231

SENATE BILL NO. 940

By Briggs, Gardenhire, Bowling, Crowe, Walley

Substituted for: House Bill No. 995

By Rudder, Hardaway, Burkhart, Helton-Haynes, Davis, Bricken, Hawk, Camper, Parkinson AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, relative to substance use.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-156(a)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

- (3) "Drug or alcohol violation" means a violation of:
 - (A) Section 39-17-418;
 - (B) Section 39-17-425;
 - (C) Section 1-3-113;
 - (D) Section 39-15-404;
 - (E) Section 39-17-310;
 - (F) Section 57-3-412(a)(3);
 - (G) Section 57-3-412(a)(4);
 - (H) Section 57-3-412(a)(5);
 - (I) Section 57-3-412(c);
 - (J) Section 57-4-203(b)(2);
 - (K) Section 57-5-301(d);
 - (L) Section 57-5-301(e); or
 - (M) Section 57-5-303(a);

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-156, is amended by deleting "Drug overdose" in subdivision (a)(2) and substituting "Overdose"; by deleting "a drug overdose" wherever it appears in subdivisions (a)(5)(C) and (c)(1) and in subsection (b) and substituting "an overdose"; by deleting "such drug overdose" in subsection (b) and substituting "such overdose"; and by deleting "drug overdoses" in subsection (b) and substituting "overdoses".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-156, is amended by deleting "drug violation" wherever it appears in subsection (b) and substituting "drug or alcohol violation".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-156, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(d) Subsection (b) does not apply to violations listed in subdivisions (a)(3)(C)-(M) committed by a person licensed pursuant to title 57 while working in the scope of the

person's employment or to an employee of a person licensed pursuant to title 57 while the employee is acting on behalf of such person.

SECTION 5. This act takes effect July 1, 2025, at 12:01 a.m., the public welfare requiring it.

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CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE
APPROVED this 213 [†] day of April 2025

PASSED: April 7, 2025