



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 468

SENATE BILL NO. 1399

By Roberts

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1353

By Littleton, Kumar, Hardaway, Terry, Eldridge, Davis, Howell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 16, relative to interference with government operations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-16-510(a), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(a)(1) A person commits an offense who harms or threatens to harm an individual involved in the judicial process or a family member of such person with the intent to impede, intimidate, interfere with, or retaliate against the individual in connection with the individual's participation in the judicial process.

(2) As used in subdivision (a)(1):

(A) "Family member" means an individual's spouse, parent, grandparent, stepparent, child, grandchild, stepchild, sibling, half-sibling, or spouse's parents; and

(B) "Individual involved in the judicial process" means:

(i) A witness;

(ii) A judge or former judge;

(iii) An employee of the judge;

(iv) A district attorney general or former district attorney general;

(v) An assistant district attorney general or former assistant district attorney general;

(vi) An employee of the district attorney general;

(vii) A law enforcement officer or former law enforcement officer;

(viii) A clerk or former clerk;

(ix) An employee of the clerk;

(x) A juror or former juror;

(xi) A district public defender or former district public defender;

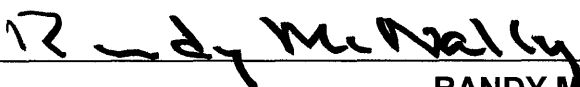
(xii) An assistant district public defender or former assistant district public defender; or

(xiii) An employee of the district public defender.

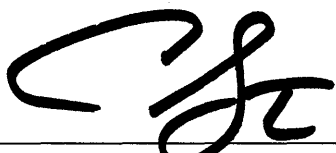
SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2025, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 21, 2025



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 9th day of May 2025



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR