

HOUSE BILL 77

By Lamberth

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-411, relative to ignition interlock devices.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-10-411(h)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(2) "Functioning ignition interlock device" means a device that:

(A) Connects a motor vehicle ignition system to a breath-alcohol analyzer and prevents a motor vehicle ignition from starting if a driver's blood alcohol level exceeds the calibrated setting on the device;

(B) Employs technology capable of taking a photo identifying the person providing the breath sample, recording the date, time, and test result along with the photo of the person providing the breath sample and storing such information on the device for transfer to remote storage and reporting; and

(C) On all new installations on or after January 1, 2024, employs global positioning system (GPS) technology that will geotag the motor vehicle's location whenever an initial startup test, a random retest, or a skipped test occurs, or when circumvention of the device is detected. The GPS technology shall not be used for continuous tracking of the vehicle;

SECTION 2. This act takes effect on January 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.