

HOUSE BILL 407

By Doggett

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 39, relative to sexual and violent sexual offenders.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-211(a)(1), is amended by deleting the language "one thousand feet (1,000')" and substituting instead the language "two thousand feet (2,000)'".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-211(b)(1), is amended by deleting the language "one thousand feet (1,000')" and substituting instead the language "two thousand feet (2,000)'".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-211(c), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(c) While mandated to comply with the requirements of this part, no sexual offender or violent sexual offender, whose victim was a minor, shall knowingly reside or conduct an overnight visit at a residence in which a minor resides or is present.

Notwithstanding this subsection (c), the offender may reside, conduct an overnight visit, or be alone with a minor if the offender is the parent of the minor, unless one (1) of the following conditions applies:

(1) The offender's parental rights have been or are in the process of being terminated as provided by law;

(2) Any minor or adult child of the offender was a victim of a sexual offense or violent sexual offense committed by the offender; or

(3) The offender has been convicted of a sexual offense or violent sexual offense the victim of which was a child under twelve (12) years of age.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.