

HOUSE BILL 549

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 25 and Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to solicitation of accident and disaster victims.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-25-112, is amended by deleting the section and substituting the following:

(a) Any person requesting the disclosure of personal information from department records who misrepresents that person's identity or makes a false statement to the department on any application required to be submitted pursuant to this chapter commits a Class C misdemeanor, punishable only by a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per violation.

(b) Any person who knowingly releases personal information from department records to an unauthorized person commits a Class C misdemeanor, punishable only by a fine not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per violation.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-1-129, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(f) The division is authorized to take disciplinary action, up to and including, suspension or revocation of a license, certificate, permit, or authorization, of any healthcare prescriber, employee, agent, or independent contractor found in violation of this section.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.