HOUSE BILL 818

By Gilmore

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to drugs in school zones.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-432(a), is amended by deleting the language "and mandatory minimum".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-432, is amended by deleting subsections (c), (d), and (e), and substituting instead the following:

(c)

- (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of title 40, chapter 35, part 1, a person sentenced for a violation of this section shall be required to serve thirty-three percent (33%) of the sentence imposed by the court before becoming eligible for release eligibility status. Any sentence reduction credits the person earns and retains shall not operate to authorize the release of the person prior to service of thirty-three percent (33%) of the sentence imposed by the court.
- (2) A person sentenced for a violation of an offense under this section prior to July 1, 2017, may petition the sentencing court for a reduction of sentence pursuant to subdivision (c)(1).

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to offenses occurring before, on, or after that date.