## **HOUSE BILL 1217**

## By Harmon

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 1, relative to the offense of aggravated assault.

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

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-102, is amended by adding the following new subsection (e) and redesignating accordingly:
  - (e) A person commits aggravated assault who:
  - (1) Intentionally throws, spits, or otherwise projects human urine, feces, vomit, blood, semen, saliva or other bodily fluids upon or at:
    - (A) A correctional officer or other employee of a prison, jail or other facility to which adults are sentenced to imprisonment; or
    - (B) An employee of a juvenile detention facility or other institution or camp to which juveniles adjudicated to be delinquent are committed or confined;
  - (2) Intends to cause the bodily fluid to come in contact with the officer; and
  - (3) Reasonably should know that the officer would regard the contact with the person's bodily fluids to be extremely offensive.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-102, is amended by deleting the third sentence of present subdivision (e)(1) and substituting instead the following:

Aggravated assault under subdivision (a)(2) or subsection (e) is a Class D felony. SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.