

HOUSE BILL 1340

By Weaver

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section
39-13-107, relative to certain assaultive offenses.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-107, is amended by deleting subdivision (c)(2) and substituting instead the following:

(2) Notwithstanding subdivision (c)(1), nothing in this section shall preclude prosecution of a woman for assault under § 39-13-101 for the illegal use of a narcotic drug, as described in § 39-17-402, or methamphetamine, as described in § 39-17-408, while pregnant, if her child is born addicted to or harmed by the illegal drug and the addiction or harm is a result of her illegal use of a narcotic drug or methamphetamine, taken while pregnant.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to children born addicted on or after that date.