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HOUSE BILL 2006

By Gillespie

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36, Chapter 3, Part 6; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to notifications.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-38-103(b), is amended by redesignating the subsection as subdivision (b)(1) and adding the following new subdivision:

(2) Upon the request of a person who has obtained an order of protection issued pursuant to title 36, chapter 3, part 6, the person shall be supplied information and a request form by the law enforcement agency responsible for enforcement of the order of protection in the jurisdiction in which the order of protection was obtained as to how the person may request and secure notification of any arrest for a violation of the order of protection and subsequent release from custody of the individual against whom the order was entered. The jailer, sheriff, or other custodian of criminal offenders shall maintain a physical or electronic record or file of the person's request for notification and, following the arrest or prior to the release of the individual about whom a notification request has been made, give immediate and prompt notice of the arrest or release to the person by the most direct means available, including telephone, messenger, or telegram; provided, that if the person is registered with the state's electronic victim notification system, the notice required by this section shall be communicated by the method or methods indicated by the registration in the system. Any identifying information contained in the request forms shall be confidential.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it.