



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 888

HOUSE BILL NO. 2279

By Representatives Hawk, Hardaway

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2696

By Senators Southerland, Bowling

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37; Title 39, Chapter 13 and Title 40, Chapter 39, Part 2, relative to juvenile sexual offenders.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-202, is amended by deleting subdivision (29)(A)(iii) and substituting:

(iii) Rape of a child, under § 39-13-522, if:

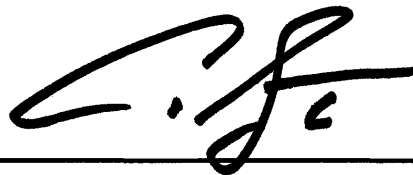
(a) The victim is at least four (4) years younger than the offender; or

(b) For acts occurring on or after July 1, 2024, the victim is less than four (4) years younger than the offender, and the judge, taking into account the facts and circumstances surrounding the delinquent act, orders that the juvenile be required to register as a violent juvenile sexual offender;

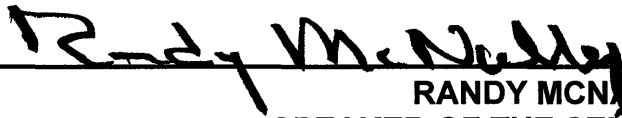
SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to acts committed on or after that date.

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PASSED: April 10, 2024



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 1st day of May 2024



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR