

HOUSE BILL 2788

By Holt

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63
and Title 68, relative to vaccinations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) Before any vaccine is administered to a patient, the prescribing practitioner or the qualified healthcare provider administering the vaccine must present the patient with and refer the patient to the list of the vaccine's ingredients on the vaccine manufacturer's insert. This subsection (a) does not require any practitioner to read the entire ingredient list to a patient.

(b) Before any vaccine is administered to a patient, the prescribing practitioner or the qualified healthcare provider administering the vaccine must present the patient with and refer the patient to the list of the vaccine's potential side effects on the vaccine manufacturer's insert. This subsection (b) does not require any practitioner to read the entire list of side effects to a patient.

(c) Before any vaccine is administered to a patient, the prescribing practitioner or the qualified healthcare provider administering the vaccine must present the patient with information about the purpose and availability of the federal vaccine adverse event reporting system (VAERS).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.