

SENATE BILL 149

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 1, Part 3, relative to the Division of Regulatory Boards.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 1, Part 3, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

( ) Notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the director of the Regulatory Board Division of the Department of Commerce and Insurance may implement a system for electronic submission of complaints or applications for licensure or registration to any regulatory program attached to the Division, including any renewal thereof, and to notify licensees electronically of renewals, rulemaking or any other notification.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-1-308(c)(2), is amended by including the following sentence at the end of the subsection:

Payment of any civil penalty assessed after a hearing held pursuant to the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act is a prerequisite to renewal of any license issued by a regulatory program assigned to the Division unless the final decision of the regulatory authority is stayed pursuant to 4-5-322(c) or acceptable arrangements for payment of the civil penalty are made with the regulatory authority prior to the renewal of any license issued by a regulatory program assigned to the Division.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.