

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 270

SENATE BILL NO. 859

By Reeves

Substituted for: House Bill No. 982

By Terry, Hardaway, Hazlewood, Ragan

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 24; Title 33; Title 39; Title 40; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to cannabis.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 24, Chapter 7, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Notwithstanding another law to the contrary, a person's statement regarding the person's use or possession of marijuana to a pharmacist, physician, physician assistant, nurse, or nurse practitioner licensed under title 63 that was made in the course or scope of the person's medical care, as defined in § 56-7-2902(19)(A), for the purpose of obtaining medical advice on possible adverse effects of marijuana use in combination with other medications or medical treatment is not admissible as evidence in any criminal trial, hearing, or proceeding in which the person is a defendant; provided, that the person may expressly waive this prohibition and request the statement be admitted as evidence.

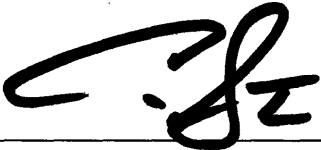
SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: April 12, 2023



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 28th day of April 2023



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR