

SENATE BILL 1373

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, Part 21; Title 55, Chapter 50; Title 55, Chapter 52 and Title 71, Chapter 3, Part 5, relative to the transportation of children.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2107, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

( ) Each county board of education shall submit to the department of safety the names of persons to whom the board has issued a certificate. The department of safety shall maintain a database of all those certified to drive a school bus and notify the appropriate county board of education if the driver license of a listed person has been suspended or revoked. Upon receiving the notification, the county board of education shall suspend or revoke the person's certificate to drive a school bus and inform the person of the revocation. If the person's driver license has been reinstated and the person meets the other requirements set out by the county board of education, the person may request a new certificate to drive a school bus.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 3, Part 5, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

Each child care agency, or entity providing any form of transportation services for a child care agency, shall submit to the department of safety the name of any driver who transports children and for what child care agency the driver provides transportation. The department of safety shall maintain a database of all the drivers for each child care agency submitted and notify the appropriate child care agency if the driver license of a listed driver has been suspended or revoked. Upon receiving the notification, the child

care agency shall not permit the listed driver to transport children. If the listed person's driver license has been reinstated and the listed driver meets the other requirements of § 71-3-507(e)(1)(A)(ii), the child care agency may permit the listed person to resume driving children.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2015, the public welfare requiring it.