SENATE BILL 1630

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 53, Chapter 10, Part 3, relative to the controlled substance monitoring database.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 53-10-306(h), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

(#) A prescriber, healthcare practitioner extender or dispenser who may place a copy of a patient's report obtained from the database pursuant to this section in that patient's medical records. Once placed in a patient's medical records, any copy of a patient's report obtained from the database pursuant to this section shall be subject to disclosure on the same terms and conditions as medical records defined under §§63-2-101 and 63-1-117.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 53-10-306 is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subsection:

(#) Authorized committee, board, or department personnel and any designee appointed by the committee engaged in analysis of controlled substances prescription information as a part of the assigned duties and responsibilities of their employment may publish, or otherwise make available to prescribers and to the general public, aggregate unidentifiable personal data contained in or derived from the database for the purpose of educational outreach.

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SECTION 5. Sections 1 and 2 of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it. Sections 3 and 4 of this act shall take effect on July 1, 2016, at 12:01 a.m., the public welfare requiring it.