



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 682

SENATE BILL NO. 1953

By Gardenhire

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2546

By Bulso, Moody, Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to disorderly conduct.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-315(a)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(3) "Harassment":

(A) Means:

(i) Conduct directed toward a victim that includes, but is not limited to, repeated or continuing unconsented contact;

(ii) The conduct is committed with reckless disregard for whether the victim will suffer emotional distress as a result of the conduct; and

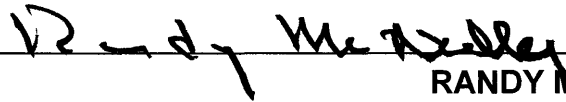
(iii) The victim suffers emotional distress as a result of the conduct; and

(B) Does not include constitutionally protected activity or conduct that serves a legitimate purpose;


SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: March 25, 2024



RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 11th day of April 2024



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR