

SENATE BILL 2188

By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37
and Title 39, relative to child abuse, neglect, and
endangerment.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401(b), is amended by redesignating the existing language as subdivision (1) and adding the following new subdivision:

(2) Any person who knowingly neglects a child under eighteen (18) years of age, so as to place the child in substantial risk of harm or injury, commits a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.