

SENATE BILL 2580

By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39
and Title 40, relative to certain sexual offenses
committed against minors.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-506(b), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(b) Statutory rape is the unlawful sexual penetration of a victim by the defendant or of the defendant by the victim when the victim is at least fifteen (15) but less than eighteen (18) years of age and the defendant is more than five (5) but less than ten (10) years older than the victim.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-506(c), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following:

(c) Aggravated statutory rape is the unlawful sexual penetration of a victim by the defendant, or of the defendant by the victim when:

(1) The victim is at least thirteen (13) but less than fifteen (15) years of age and the defendant is at least four (4) years older than the victim; or

(2) The victim is at least fifteen (15) but less than eighteen (18) years of age and the defendant is at least ten (10) years older than the victim.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-506(d)(3), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(3)

(A) Aggravated statutory rape under subdivision (c)(1) is a Class C felony.

(B) Aggravated statutory rape under subdivision (c)(2) is a Class D felony.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-313(a)(1)(B)(ii), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(p) Aggravated statutory rape, as described in § 39-13-506(c);

SECTION 5. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to offenses committed on or after that date.