

HOUSE BILL 2965

By Hardaway

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 15, Part 4, relative to offenses committed against children.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401(d)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting:

(2) For purposes of this subsection (d), a person engages in conduct that places a child in imminent danger of death, bodily injury, or physical or mental impairment if:

(A) The person's conduct related to the controlled substance methamphetamine or any other controlled substance listed in chapter 17, part 4 of this title, except a Schedule VI controlled substance, exposes the child to the controlled substance and an analysis of a specimen of the child's blood, hair, fingernail, urine, or other bodily substance indicates the presence of methamphetamine or any other controlled substance listed in chapter 17, part 4 of this title, except a Schedule VI controlled substance, in the child's body; or

(B) The person engages in domestic abuse, as defined in § 36-3-601, of a member of the child's household or immediate family in the presence of the child.

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