## **HOUSE BILL 7074**

## By Freeman

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the safe storage of firearms.

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

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:
  - (a) Each person who owns or purchases a firearm, or who holds a permit to carry a handgun either openly or concealed under this part, is encouraged, while not lawfully carrying the firearm, to store the firearm:
    - (1) In a locked compartment;
    - (2) With a trigger locking device; or
    - (3) With a locked device rendering the firearm:
    - (A) Inaccessible to a person other than the owner or person in lawful possession of the firearm; and
      - (B) Immovable from the stored location.
  - (b) A person who stores a firearm in a vehicle of any type is encouraged to store such firearm out of plain sight and in accordance with subdivision (a)(1) or (3).
  - SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.