SENATE BILL 26

By Hensley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to assault against certain persons.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-116, is amended by deleting the language "nurse" wherever it appears in subsections (a) and (b) and substituting instead the language "healthcare provider".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-116, is amended by deleting the language "nurse's" wherever it appears and substituting instead the language "healthcare provider's".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-116(d)(2), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead:

(2) "Healthcare provider" means a person who is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized or permitted by the laws of any state to administer health care in the ordinary course of business or practice of a profession.

SECTION 4. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.