

# State of Tennessee

## **PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 770**

### HOUSE BILL NO. 1503

By Representatives John DeBerry, Ragan, Hardaway, Roach, Powers, Mark White, Kane

#### Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2083

#### By Senators Norris, Burks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, Chapter 39, relative to sexual offender registration.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-202, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() "Offender against children" means any sexual offender, violent sexual offender or violent juvenile sexual offender if the victim in one (1) or more of the offender's crimes was a child of twelve (12) years of age or less;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-207(g)(1), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(C) Has been convicted of an offense in which the victim was a child of twelve (12) years of age or less;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-207(j), is amended by deleting the language "subdivisions (j)(1) and (2)" wherever it appears and by substituting instead the language "subdivisions (j)(1) and (2) or any offense set out in subdivision (g)(1)(C)".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-206(d), is amended by deleting the language "subdivisions (d)(1)-(15)" wherever it appears, by substituting instead the language "subdivisions (d)(1)-(16)" and by adding the following new subdivision:

(16) Whether the offender is an offender against children, as defined by § 40-39-202;

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-202, is amended by designating the language of subdivision (28) as (28)(A) and by adding the following new subdivision (28)(B):

(B) "Violent juvenile sexual offense" also means an adjudication of delinquency, for any act committed on or after July 1, 2014, that, if committed by an adult, constitutes the criminal offense of:

(i) Aggravated sexual battery, under § 39-13-504;

(ii) Criminal attempt, under § 39-12-101, to commit any of the offenses enumerated in this subdivision (28)(B);

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-202, is further amended by deleting from subdivision (28) the following language:

(E) Criminal attempt, under § 39-12-101, to commit any of the offenses enumerated in this subdivision (28);

and substituting instead the following:

(E) Criminal attempt, under § 39-12-101, to commit any of the offenses enumerated in this subdivision (28)(A);

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_ April 9, 2014 \_\_\_\_\_

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**RON RAMSEY** 

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this . 2014 day of

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR