State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 964

HOUSE BILL NO. 2606

By Representatives Hardaway, Ramsey, Staples, Love, Jernigan, Powell, Clemmons, Coley, Gilmore, Moon, Beck, Akbari, Towns, Camper, Parkinson, Turner

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2405

By Senators Kyle, Yarbro

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 4; Title 49, Chapter 5, Part 1; Title 63, Chapter 23; Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 2; Title 63, Chapter 7, Part 1 and Title 63, Chapter 9, relative to child safety training.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 37, Chapter 1, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

By January 1, 2019, the department shall develop instructional guidelines for child safety training programs for members of professions that frequently deal with children who may be at risk of abuse, which programs include the common signs of child abuse, human trafficking when a child is the victim, and child sexual abuse; how to identify children at risk of abuse, human trafficking, or sexual abuse; and the reporting requirements of this part. The department shall work with each licensing board to ensure that any child safety training program created by a licensing board fully and accurately reflects the best practices for identifying and reporting child abuse, human trafficking when a child is the victim, and child sexual abuse as appropriate for each profession.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law; the public welfare requiring it.
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PASSED: April 23, 2018

Beth Harwell
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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 15th day of May 2018

Bill Haslam, GOVERNOR