

SENATE BILL 851

By Pody

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1309 and Section 39-17-1350, relative to law enforcement officers.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1350, is amended by deleting subdivision (c)(1).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1350, is further amended by deleting subdivision (d)(1) and substituting the following:

(1) For purposes of this section, "law enforcement officer" means a person who is a full-time employee of the state, currently in good standing, in a position authorized by the laws of this state to carry a firearm and to make arrests for violations of some or all of the laws of this state, or a full-time police officer, currently in good standing, who has been certified by the peace officer standards and training commission, or a commissioned reserve deputy sheriff as authorized in writing by the sheriff, or a commissioned reserve or auxiliary police officer as authorized in writing by the chief of police, or a sheriff who has been certified by the peace officer standards and training commission, or a deputy sheriff employed by a county as a court officer or corrections officer as authorized in writing by the sheriff.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.