HOUSE BILL 2599

By McKenzie

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, relative to the public health effects of gun violence.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The department of health shall submit to the legislature a quarterly report on the public health impacts of gun violence in this state. The report must include data on the deaths, disabilities, and economic hardships stemming from gun violence, and mental health ailments of perpetrators of gun violence. Additionally, the report must provide the public and policymakers with research-based information from which to make informed decisions on how best to protect Tennesseans from gun violence.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2022, the public welfare requiring it, and terminates July 1, 2024.