

HOUSE BILL 1263

By Towns

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 12; Title 55, Chapter 3 and Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to electronic formats for motor vehicle documentation.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

55-4-137.

In addition to the provisions of § 55-12-139 authorizing a person to display evidence of financial responsibility through the use of electronic devices, a person may also display evidence of vehicle registration in electronic format. The electronic images shall state that the vehicle is properly registered and that a certificate of registration has been issued to the owner or operator of the vehicle. For purposes of this section, acceptable electronic formats include display of electronic images on a cellular phone or any other type of portable electronic device. If a person displays the evidence in an electronic format pursuant to this section, the person is not consenting for law enforcement to access any other contents of the electronic device.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.