

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 447

SENATE BILL NO. 1340

By Bailey

Substituted for: House Bill No. 1221

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1350, relative to authority of district attorneys general and related employees to carry firearms.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1350(d), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (4):

- (A) For purposes of this section, "law enforcement officer" also means a person who has successfully completed firearms training in accordance with POST certification, which shall include, at a minimum, forty (40) hours initial training and eight (8) hours annual inservice training in firearms qualification administered by a POST-certified firearms training program and is:
 - (i) An elected district attorney general;
 - (ii) A full-time assistant district attorney general who has been authorized pursuant to subdivision (d)(4)(B);
 - (iii) The executive director or deputy director of the district attorneys general conference; or
 - (iv) A full-time, pro-tem prosecutor employed by the district attorneys general conference.
- (B) Each elected district attorney general, at such district attorney general's discretion, is authorized to determine if any assistant district attorney general in the district attorney general's office or judicial district is authorized to carry a firearm pursuant to this section.
- (C) The district attorneys general conference shall develop a uniform identification system clearly identifying that a person described in subdivision (d)(4)(A) is qualified under this section to carry a firearm at all times. Persons authorized by this subdivision (d)(4) to carry a firearm under this section shall carry this identification at all times the person is carrying a firearm.

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

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PASSED:	May 10, 2017	
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	BETH HARWELL, SE HOUSE OF REPRESENT	PEAKER
APPROVED	this $25^{\frac{1}{2}}$ day of May 2017	
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