HOUSE BILL 1254

By Towns

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38 and Title 39, relative to criminal offenses involving firearms.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

- (a) Each law enforcement agency or department shall compile the following information, if known, for crimes involving the use of a firearm that are committed each year within the jurisdiction of the agency or department:
 - (1) If an arrest has been made or charges have been filed for the offense:
 - (A) Whether the suspect was authorized to carry a handgun, under § 39-17-1351, at the time of the offense;
 - (B) Any statement made by the suspect about how or where the firearm was obtained:
 - (2) The type of firearm used in the offense; and
 - (3) The type of clip or magazine used in the offense and the clip's capacity, if any.
- (b) By January 1, 2018, and every January 1 thereafter, all law enforcement agencies and departments shall report the data compiled pursuant to subsection (a) to the Tennessee bureau of investigation. The Tennessee bureau of investigation shall prepare and transmit an annual report to the members of the general assembly

containing the data for each county and for each law enforcement agency or department.

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