

HOUSE BILL 970

By Thompson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14 and Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to firearm safety.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351(e), is amended by adding the following immediately after the fifth sentence in the subsection:

Beginning July 1, 2023, and thereafter, a component of the classroom portion of all department-approved handgun safety courses shall be instruction on the safe storage of firearms, including the use of gun locks.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1366(l)(1), is amended by deleting the language "storage methods" and substituting the language "use of gun locks and other storage methods".

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.