

HOUSE BILL 1318

By West

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401, relative to child abuse.

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

SECTION 1. This act shall be known and may be cited as "Beverly's Law".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-15-401, is amended by adding the following as new subsection (c) and by redesignating the existing subsection (c) and subsequent subsections accordingly:

(c) Any teacher, principal or supervisor, who knowingly takes any retaliatory or adverse action against a student when such teacher, principal or supervisor knows or reasonably should know that such student did not have any involvement in the matter upon which the retaliatory or adverse action is based, commits a Class B misdemeanor.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.