

SENATE BILL 3459

By Stewart

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39,
Chapter 15, Part 4, relative to harboring a
runaway.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 15, Part 4, is amended by
adding the following as a new section:

§ 39-15-414.

(a) A person commits the offense of harboring a runaway who, with knowledge
that a child is a runaway, as defined in § 37-1-102(25)(A)(iv):

(1) Fails to notify the child's parents or law enforcement authorities of the
whereabouts of the child;

(2) Conceals the whereabouts of the child; or

(3) Aides the child in escaping from the custody of the child's parents or
law enforcement authorities.

(b) A violation of this subsection(a) is a Class A misdemeanor.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.