

HOUSE BILL 226

By Stewart

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section
24-1-208, relative to privileged communications.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 24-1-208, is amended by designating the language of the current subsection (a) as subdivision (a)(1) and by adding the following language as a new subdivision (a)(2):

Subdivision (a)(1) shall apply with respect to any information related to the identity of a person who participates in online services offered by the news media or press, including, but not limited to, name, phone number, postal address, e-mail address, or IP address.

SECTION 2. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to that end the provisions of this act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013, the public welfare requiring it.