SENATE BILL 2043
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HOUSE BILL 1429

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 40, Chapter 39, Part 2 and Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, relative to prohibiting sex offenders from residing in on-campus student residence facilities.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) No person who is registered, or required to register, as a sex offender pursuant to the Tennessee Sexual Offender and Violent Sexual Offender Registration, Verification and Tracking Act of 2004, compiled in title 40, chapter 39, part 2, shall be eligible to reside in any public institution of higher education's on-campus student residence facilities, including dormitories and apartments, if:

(1) The campus includes a public school, private or parochial school, licensed day care center, other child care facility, public park, playground, recreation center, or public athletic field available for use by the general public; or

(2) The campus is within one thousand feet (1,000′) of a public school, private or parochial school, licensed day care center, other child care facility, or public athletic field available for use by the general public.

(b) A person who violates this section shall be subject to the penalties prescribed in § 40-39-208.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.