

Joint Pensions and Insurance 1

Amendment No. 1 to HB0655

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Signature of Sponsor**

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1206

House Bill No. 655*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following new section:

(a) Notwithstanding any provisions of law to the contrary, a healthcare professional may accept goods or services as payment in a direct exchange of barter for healthcare services provided by the healthcare professional if the patient to whom the healthcare services are provided is not covered by health insurance coverage, as defined by § 56-7-109. A healthcare professional who accepts barter as payment in accordance with this section shall annually submit a copy of the relevant federal tax form disclosing the healthcare professional's income from barter to the healthcare professional's licensing board. This section does not apply to any healthcare services provided at a pain management clinic as defined in § 63-1-301.

(b) For purposes of this section, "healthcare professional" means a physician or other healthcare practitioner licensed, registered, accredited, or certified to perform specified healthcare services pursuant to this title or title 68 and regulated under the authority of the department of health or any agency, board, council, or committee attached to the department.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 63-6-247, is amended by deleting the section.

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