SENATE BILL 653

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the possession of firearms in certain places.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Notwithstanding § 39-17-1309, § 39-17-1311, § 39-17-1359, or any other law that authorizes the posting of property, or otherwise prohibits the possession of a handgun by a handgun carry permit holder while within the prohibited area, it is lawful for a handgun carry permit holder to possess a handgun in a building or upon property operated by a state or local governmental entity, or agent or agency thereof, if:

- (1) The building or property does not have walk-through metal detectors and armed security guards located at all public entrances to the building or property; and
- (2) The handgun is being carried in a manner that causes the handgun to be concealed from ordinary observation.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017, the public welfare requiring it.