HOUSE BILL 477

By White

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to firearms.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1359, is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision (a)(3):

(3) Subdivision (a)(1) does not prohibit a commissioned law enforcement officer

from carrying a firearm when the officer is on or off duty.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1359, is amended by deleting the second sentence of subdivision (b)(3)(B)(i) and substituting:

The sign shall also include the phrases "As authorized by T.C.A. § 39-17-1359" and "All law enforcement officers are exempt".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1359, is amended by deleting the second sentence of subdivision (b)(3)(C)(i) and substituting:

The sign shall also include the phrases "As authorized by T.C.A. §§ 39-17-1351, 39-17-

1359, and 39-17-1366" and "All law enforcement officers are exempt".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1311, is amended by deleting subdivision (b)(1)(D) and substituting:

(D) Officers of the state, or of any county, city, or town, charged with the

enforcement of the laws of the state, regardless of whether the officer is on duty;

SECTION 5. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.