AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 8 and Title 55, Chapter 9, Part 1, relative to motor vehicles equipped with autonomous technology.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-105(c), is amended by deleting the word "or" at the end of subdivision (4).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-105(c)(5), is amended by deleting the period "." at the end of the subdivision and substituting instead the language "; or".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-105(c), is further amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(A) When a motor vehicle’s autonomous technology is engaged, an operator may use an integrated electronic display for communication, information, and other uses enabled by the display; provided, that the display is integrated with the vehicle such that it operates and functions in coordination with such autonomous technology and disables automatically any moving images visible to the motor vehicle operator when the autonomous technology is disengaged.

(B) As used in subdivision (c)(6)(A), "autonomous technology" has the same meaning as defined in § 55-8-202.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.