AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 10, relative to motor vehicle accidents.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 10, Part 1, is amended to add the following language as a new section:

(a) Every law enforcement agency shall have a policy describing when law enforcement personnel may disclose to the public information or law enforcement records concerning the use of drugs or alcohol by a driver as a contributing factor in a motor vehicle accident.

(b) The policy required by subsection (a) shall include a requirement that the law enforcement agency make a good faith effort to notify the immediate family of those involved in the motor vehicle accident of the presence of drugs or alcohol as a contributing factor before such information may be made available to the public.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to motor vehicle accidents occurring on or after that date.
HOUSE BILL NO. 1747

PASSED: March 28, 2016

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 12th day of April 2016

BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR