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HOUSE BILL 779

By Holt

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 8, relative to the issuance of citations and notices of violation using unmanned traffic enforcement cameras.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-198, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

(o) No political subdivision may by ordinance, resolution, or any other means prohibit or limit access to the court system to persons issued a notice of violation or citation based solely upon evidence obtained from any unmanned traffic enforcement camera used to enforce or monitor traffic violations of § 55-8-110(a)(3), or any municipal law or ordinance that mirrors, substantially duplicates, or incorporates by crossreference the language of § 55-8-110(a)(3).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to all citations and notices of violation issued on or after such date, and to contracts entered into, amended, or renewed on or after such date.

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HOUSE BILL 780

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38 and Title 55, relative to enforcement of rules of the road.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 8, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) Any law enforcement officer who is operating a manned traffic enforcement camera shall do so only in a clearly marked law enforcement vehicle that is visible from the road to approaching vehicles and shall give a signal of the operation of a manned traffic enforcement camera by use of authorized flashing lights.

(b) A traffic citation that is based upon evidence obtained from a manned traffic enforcement camera that is located on or within a law enforcement vehicle shall be issued immediately, either on paper or on an electronic data device, upon the law enforcement officer determining that a traffic offense has been committed and shall not be issued solely by mail.

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