



**Calendar Report March 1, 2021**  
 Bills on notice for hearing starting March 1, 2021

Mon 3/1/21 4:00pm - Senate Chamber, Senate Floor

1. **SJR10** **JUDICIARY: Constitutional amendment - powers of governor during a disability.** Proposes an amendment to Article II and Article III of the Constitution of Tennessee, relative to provide for the exercise of the powers and duties of the governor during disability.  
 Massey B.  
**Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:** (Dated January 26, 2021) Increase Local Expenditures Up to \$10,000/FY22-23\*  
**Intro Dates:** S: 01/12/21  
**Senate Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for Senate Floor 03/01/21.  
**House Status:** Tue 2/9/21 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee; Tue 2/16/21 1:30pm - CANCELED, Senate State & Local Government Committee; Tue 2/23/21 10:30am - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate State & Local Government Committee; Thu 2/25/21 8:30am - Senate Chamber, Senate Floor; Mon 3/1/21 4:00pm - Senate Chamber, Senate Floor; Senate Floor ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:**  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:**  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:**  
**Priority:**  
**Task:**  
**Comment:**  
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2. **SJR1** **JUDICIARY: Constitutional amendment - selection of attorney general and reporter.** Proposes amendment to Article VI, Section 5 of the state constitution to provide for the selection of the attorney general and reporter for the state with nomination by the supreme court and confirmation by the general assembly.  
 Yager K.  
**Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:** (Dated January 26, 2021) Increase Local Expenditures Up to \$10,000/FY22-23\*  
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**Senate Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for Senate Floor 03/01/21.  
**House Status:** Tue 2/23/21 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee; Mon 3/1/21 4:00pm - Senate Chamber, Senate Floor; Senate Floor ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:**  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:**  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:** Oppose  
**Priority:** 2 - Second-tier  
**Task:**  
**Comment:** TFA does not support the concept of an appointed attorney general even as proposed in this legislation. TFA supports and calls for the enactment of laws that allow the people of this state to elect an attorney general (or similar office) to ensure that the loyalty of such individual and office is first to the people of the state of Tennessee.  
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4. **SB19** **CRIMINAL LAW: Assault against a first responder includes nurses.** Adds nurses to the assault against a first responder who is discharging or attempting to discharge official duties statute.
- Gilmore  
B.
- Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:** (Dated January 26, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT  
**Intro Dates:** S: 01/12/21, H: 02/10/21  
**Senate Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for Senate Floor 03/01/21.  
**House Status:** 02/20/21 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee. Tue 2/23/21 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee; Mon 3/1/21 4:00pm - Senate Chamber, Senate Floor; Senate Floor ; House Criminal Justice Subcommittee ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13, relative to nurses.  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:**  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:**  
**Priority:**  
**Task:**  
**Comment:**  
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HB864 - J. Chism - 02/20/21 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Tue 3/2/21 3:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Education Instruction Subcommittee

MEMBERS: CHAIR S. Cepicky (R); V. Dixie (D); B. Griffey (R); T. Harris (D); K. Haston (R); T. Hicks (R); S. McKenzie (D); D. Moody (R); J. Ragan (R); T. Warner (R); T. Weaver (R) PHONE: 615-741-4811  
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3. **HB103** **EDUCATION: Firearm safety instructions for students.** Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year, requires each local education agency and public charter school to provide students with age-appropriate and grade-appropriate instruction on firearm safety.
- Ogles B.
- Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:** (Dated January 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT  
**Intro Dates:** S: 02/08/21, H: 01/12/21  
**Senate Status:** 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.  
**House Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for House Education Instruction Subcommittee 03/02/21. Tue 3/2/21 3:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Education Instruction Subcommittee; Senate Education Committee ; House Education Instruction Subcommittee ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 6, relative to firearm safety instruction.  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:**  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** 2 - Second-tier  
**Task:**  
**Comment:**  
**rows:**  
SB227 - J. Hensley - 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

Tue 3/2/21 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee

The committee will have budget hearings by the TN District Public Defenders Conference and the TN District Attorneys General Conference. MEMBERS: CHAIR M. Bell (R); VICE CHAIR J. Lundberg (R); 2ND VICE CHAIR D. White (R); J. Bowling (R); T. Gardenhire (R); S. Kyle (D); K. Roberts (R); K. Robinson (D); J. Stevens (R) PHONE: 615-741-7821 EMAIL: matthew.cook@capitol.tn.gov

9. **SB543** **CRIMINAL LAW: Audit of handgun permit application fees.** Deletes requirement that the comptroller of the treasury must conduct an annual audit of the TBI regarding the bureau's receipt and use of the \$15 portion of the handgun carry permit application fee to be used exclusively for updating and maintaining the fingerprint criminal history database.
- Powers  
B.
- Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:** (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT  
**Intro Dates:** S: 02/10/21, H: 02/10/21  
**Senate Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/02/21.  
**House Status:** 02/20/21 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee. Tue 3/2/21 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee; Senate Judiciary Committee ; House Civil Justice Subcommittee ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1351, relative to the audit of handgun permit application fees.  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:**  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:** Neutral  
**Priority:**  
**Task:**  
**Comment:** Bill, as filed, would require annual audit of TDOS financial records to make sure that the \$15 added to the handgun permit is used for purposes set forth in TCA 39-17-1351(p)  
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HB661 - E. Mannis - 02/20/21 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

**18. SB765** **CRIMINAL LAW: Handgun carry permits and offenses involving handguns.** Creates an exemption for unlawful carrying of a firearm if the person meets the qualifications for an enhanced handgun carry permit, lawfully possesses the handgun and is in a place where they have a right to be. Clarifies that a person who has a valid enhanced handgun carry permit, a concealed handgun carry permit or lawfully carries a handgun is allowed to transport and store a firearm and ammunition in their vehicle. Changes the requirements for carrying a handgun carry permit to only being required to do so when carrying a handgun in a location or manner that would otherwise be prohibited if not for the person's status as a permit holder. Upgrades the charge of theft of a firearm from a class A misdemeanor to a class E felony for thefts valued at less than \$2,500. Changes the sentence for theft of a firearm from no less than 30 days confinement to no less than 180 days confinement. Allows the court to consider if an offense involved the theft of a firearm from a motor vehicle as a sentence enhancement factor. Establishes that for certain firearms offenses there is to be no release eligibility before the offender serves 85 percent of their sentence. Part of Administration Package.

**Amendment Summary:**

**Subcommittee Amendments:**

**Fiscal Note:**

**Intro Dates:** S: 02/10/21, H: 02/10/21

**Senate Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/02/21.

**House Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/03/21. Wed 2/24/21 5:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Tue 3/2/21 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee; Wed 3/3/21 9:00am - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Senate Judiciary Committee ; House Criminal Justice Subcommittee ;

**Public Chapter:**

**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 1; Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13 and Title 40, Chapter 35, relative to firearms.

**AG Opinion:**

**Cosponsors:** Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Gant, Ron; Rep. Sexton, Jerry; Rep. Terry, Bryan;

**Effective Date:**

**Position:** Neutral

**Priority:** 1 - Top-tier

**Task:**

**Comment:** This bill appears to be the refiled version of the Governor's crime package from 2020 that had in it provisions which would create an "exception" to a charge of illegal possession if a) meets the qualifications for obtaining a state enhanced handgun permit (i.e., this does not apply to all who can legally possess a firearm), b) the person lawfully possess the handgun and c) the person is in a place where they have a right to be.

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HB786 - W. Lamberth - 02/25/21 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/03/21.

Wed 3/3/21 9:00am - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee

The committee will have access to their standard 5:00 p.m. Wednesday afternoon time slot to finish bills they cannot get to in the morning. MEMBERS: CHAIR C. Doggett (R); B. Beck (D); M. Curcio (R); A. Farmer (R); B. Griffey (R); G. Hardaway (D); D. Howell (R); W. Lamberth (R); D. Moody (R); L. Russell (R); J. Sexton (R) PHONE: 615-741-1100 ext. 44648 EMAIL: john.gleason@capitol.tn.gov

**15. HB786** **CRIMINAL LAW: Handgun carry permits and offenses involving handguns.** Creates an exemption for unlawful carrying of a firearm if the person meets the qualifications for an enhanced handgun carry permit, lawfully possesses the handgun and is in a place where they have a right to be. Clarifies that a person who has a valid enhanced handgun carry permit, a concealed handgun carry permit or lawfully carries a handgun is allowed to transport and store a firearm and ammunition in their vehicle. Changes the requirements for carrying a handgun carry permit to only being required to do so when carrying a handgun in a location or manner that would otherwise be prohibited if not for the person's status as a permit holder. Upgrades the charge of theft of a firearm from a class A misdemeanor to a class E felony for thefts valued at less than \$2,500. Changes the sentence for theft of a firearm from no less than 30 days confinement to no less than 180 days confinement. Allows the court to consider if an offense involved the theft of a firearm from a motor vehicle as a sentence enhancement factor. Establishes that for certain firearms offenses there is to be no release eligibility before the offender serves 85 percent of their sentence. Part of Administration Package.

**Amendment Summary:**

**Subcommittee Amendments:**

**Fiscal Note:**

**Intro Dates:** S: 02/10/21, H: 02/10/21

**Senate Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/02/21.

**House Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/03/21. Wed 2/24/21 5:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Tue 3/2/21 3:00pm - Senate Hearing Rm I, Senate Judiciary Committee; Wed 3/3/21 9:00am - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Senate Judiciary Committee ; House Criminal Justice Subcommittee ;

**Public Chapter:**

**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 1; Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13 and Title 40, Chapter 35, relative to firearms.

**AG Opinion:**

**Cosponsors:** Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Gant, Ron; Rep. Sexton, Jerry; Rep. Terry, Bryan;

**Effective Date:**

**Position:** Neutral

**Priority:** 1 - Top-tier

**Task:**

**Comment:** This bill appears to be the refiled version of the Governor's crime package from 2020 that had in it provisions which would create an "exception" to a charge of illegal possession if a) meets the qualifications for obtaining a state enhanced handgun permit (i.e., this does not apply to all who can legally possess a firearm), b) the person lawfully possess the handgun and c) the person is in a place where they have a right to be.

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SB765 - J. Johnson - 02/25/21 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/02/21.

22. **HB888** **CRIMINAL LAW: Fees for expunction.** Allows a clerk to charge a fee of less than \$100 for expunction. Expands the offenses for which expunction is permitted.  
 Curcio  
 M.
- Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:**  
**Intro Dates:** S: 02/10/21, H: 02/11/21  
**Senate Status:** 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.  
**House Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/03/21. Wed 3/3/21 9:00am - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Senate Judiciary Committee ; House Criminal Justice Subcommittee ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8- 21-401 and Title 40, relative to expunction.  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:** Rep. Doggett, Clay; Rep. Lamberth, William;  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:**  
**Priority:**  
**Task:**  
**Comment:**  
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 SB675 - F. Haile - 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

25. **HB18** **CRIMINAL LAW: Open or concealed carrying of a firearm with the intent to go armed.** Creates exceptions to the offense of open or concealed carrying of a firearm with the intent to go armed for any person legally in possession and not prohibited from possessing a firearm. Converts existing defenses to be exceptions. Broadly captioned.  
 Griffey B.
- Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:**  
**Intro Dates:** S: 02/08/21, H: 01/12/21  
**Senate Status:** 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.  
**House Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/03/21. Wed 2/24/21 5:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Wed 3/3/21 9:00am - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Senate Judiciary Committee ; House Criminal Justice Subcommittee ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10; Title 33; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 50 and Title 70, relative to the carrying of firearms.  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:** Sen. Bowling, Janice; Rep. Campbell, Scotty; Rep. Cepicky, Scott; Rep. Doggett, Clay; Rep. Eldridge, Rick; Rep. Garrett, Johnny ; Rep. Grills, Rusty; Rep. Hall, Mark; Rep. Hulsey, Bud; Rep. Kumar, Sabi; Rep. Lamberth, William; Rep. Rudd, Tim ; Rep. Sexton, Jerry; Rep. Terry, Bryan; Rep. Todd, Chris; Rep. Warner, Todd; Rep. Weaver, Terri;  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** 1 - Top-tier  
**Task:**  
**Comment:** This is a constitutional carry bill and is a refiled version of one pending in 2020. It would improve current law by creating an exception to a criminal charge.  
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 SB318 - J. Hensley - 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

Wed 3/3/21 2:00pm - House Hearing Rm I, House Health Committee

MEMBERS: CHAIR B. Terry (R); VICE CHAIR T. Leatherwood (R); R. Alexander (R); C. Boyd (R); D. Byrd (R); J. Clemmons (D); B. Freeman (D); R. Gant (R); Y. Hakeem (D); M. Hall (R); E. Helton (R); T. Hicks (R); D. Jernigan (D); S. Kumar (R); P. Marsh (R); B. Mitchell (D); B. Ramsey (R); P. Sherrell (R); R. Smith (R); K. Vaughan (R); S. Whitson (R); R. Williams (R) PHONE: 615-741-7046 EMAIL: harris.king@capitol.tn.gov

1. **HB7** **HEALTH CARE: Powers of county mayor during a county-wide health emergency.** Specifies that the county mayor has the authority to establish and implement health policies that affect the entire county during a county-wide health emergency. Directs the county health director, health officer, and board of health to provide advice to the mayor to develop the policies. Applies only in Shelby, Davidson, Knox, Hamilton, Sullivan, and Madison counties.  
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 J.
- Amendment Summary:**  
**Subcommittee Amendments:**  
**Fiscal Note:** (Dated December 1, 2020) NOT SIGNIFICANT  
**Intro Dates:** S: 01/12/21, H: 01/12/21  
**Senate Status:** 01/13/21 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.  
**House Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for House Health Committee 03/03/21. Tue 2/16/21 12:00pm - CANCELED, House Health Subcommittee; Tue 2/23/21 12:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Health Subcommittee; Wed 3/3/21 2:00pm - House Hearing Rm I, House Health Committee; Senate Health & Welfare Committee ; House Health Committee ;  
**Public Chapter:**  
**Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5 and Title 68, Chapter 2, Part 6, relative to public health emergencies.  
**AG Opinion:**  
**Cosponsors:** Rep. Carringer, Michele; Rep. Cepicky, Scott; Rep. Faison, Jeremy; Rep. Gant, Ron; Rep. Hall, Mark; Rep. Howell, Dan; Rep. Hurt, Chris; Rep. Lafferty, Justin; Rep. Lamberth, William; Rep. Moon, Jerome; Rep. Sherrell, Paul; Rep. Smith, Robin; Rep. Terry, Bryan; Rep. Todd, Chris; Rep. White, Mark; Rep. Wright, Dave;  
**Effective Date:**  
**Position:**  
**Priority:**  
**Task:**  
**Comment:**  
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 SB15 - M. Bell - 01/13/21 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

Wed 3/3/21 3:30pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Committee

The following bills were added to the calendar by suspension of the rules on the House Floor on 02/25/21: HB55, HB176, HB12. MEMBERS: CHAIR M. Curcio (R); VICE CHAIR J. Sexton (R); B. Beck (D); S. Campbell (R); V. Dixie (D); C. Doggett (R); A. Farmer (R); B. Griffey (R); G. Hardaway (D); D. Hawk (R); D. Howell (R); B. Hulsey (R); L. Lamar (D); W. Lamberth (R); D. Moody (R); L. Russell (R); P. Sherrell (R) PHONE: 615-741-1100 ext. 44648 EMAIL: john.gleason@capitol.tn.gov

6. **HB50** **CRIMINAL LAW: 2021 Defense Doctrine.** Expands definition of duress to include grave sexual abuse. Broadly captioned.
- Ogles B. **Amendment Summary:** House Criminal Justice Subcommittee amendment 1 (003721) renames the bill as the "2020 Defense Doctrine." Changes a reference from the police officer standards and training commission to the peace officer standards and training commission.
- Subcommittee Amendments:** Criminal\_Justice\_Subcommittee\_02.24.21.pdf
- Fiscal Note:** (Dated January 13, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT
- Intro Dates:** S: 02/08/21, H: 01/12/21
- Senate Status:** 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
- House Status:** 02/25/21 - Set for House Criminal Justice Committee 03/03/21. Wed 2/17/21 5:00pm - CANCELED, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Wed 2/24/21 5:00pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; Wed 3/3/21 3:30pm - House Hearing Rm II, House Criminal Justice Committee; Senate Judiciary Committee ; House Criminal Justice Committee ;
- Public Chapter:**
- Caption:** AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 40, relative to criminal law.
- AG Opinion:**
- Cosponsors:**
- Effective Date:**
- Position:**
- Priority:**
- Task:**
- Comment:**
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- SB189 - J. Bowling - 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.