

**PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 793**

**SENATE BILL NO. 2390**

**By Jackson, Gresham, Burks, Bunch**

Substituted for: House Bill No. 2567

By Fincher; Mr. Speaker Williams; Todd, Faulkner, Borchert, McDonald, Yokley, Niceley, Haynes, Curtis Johnson, Sargent

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 13, relative to the carrying or possession of a weapon.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-17-1307, is amended by deleting subsection (e) and substituting instead the following:

(e)(1) It is an exception to the application of subsection (a) of this section that a person authorized to carry a handgun pursuant to § 39-17-1351 is transporting a rifle or shotgun in or on a privately-owned motor vehicle and the rifle or shotgun does not have ammunition in the chamber. However, the person does not violate this section by inserting ammunition into the chamber if the ammunition is inserted for purposes of justifiable self-defense pursuant to § 39-11-611 or § 39-11-612.

(2) It is an exception to the application of subsection (a) of this section that a person who is not authorized to possess a handgun pursuant to § 39-17-1351 is transporting a rifle or shotgun in or on a privately-owned motor vehicle and the rifle or shotgun does not have ammunition in the chamber or cylinder, and no clip or magazine containing ammunition is inserted in the rifle or shotgun or is in close proximity to both the weapon and any person.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2010, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: April 7, 2010**



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RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE



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KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 19th day of April 2010



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PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR