

HOUSE BILL 2638

By Watson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 12; Title 29; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to
use of publically-owned property.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 17, Part 3, is amended by
adding the following as a new section thereto:

39-17-318.

(a) A person shall not maintain living quarters on publically-owned
property that is not designated or permitted for residential use.

(b) A person's use or assembly upon publically-owned property shall not
pose a health hazard or threat to the safety or welfare of another person using,
assembling upon, or employed to work upon that property.

(c) A violation of subsection (a) or (b) is a Class C misdemeanor.

(d) In addition to any other penalty imposed by law, a person in violation
of this section shall be:

(1) Subject to temporary or permanent removal from the property
by the appropriate law enforcement agency; and

(2) Liable for any damage or depletion in value to the property as
a result of the person's use or assembly.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring
it.