

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 9

HOUSE BILL NO. 696

By Representative McCord

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 905

By Senator Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 1, Part 2, relative to the wildlife resources commission.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201, is amended by deleting subsection (d) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d) The two (2) members appointed by the speaker of the house and the speaker of the senate shall hold no geographical representation. In the original appointments of speaker-appointed members, the speaker of the house shall appoint one (1) member to an initial term of six (6) years. The speaker of the senate shall appoint one (1) member to an initial term of two (2) years. Upon the expiration of the term of office of the speaker-appointed members of the commission, their successors in office shall be appointed in like manner to serve for a full period of six (6) years. Not more than one (1) member of the commission shall be appointed from any one (1) county.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-201(e), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(e) The terms of the new members appointed by the governor, the speaker of the house and the speaker of the senate to the commission shall commence March 1, provided such members are properly confirmed.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-204(d), is amended by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

No governor-appointed or speaker-appointed commissioners shall be eligible for reappointment to a second consecutive term in office.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-204 is amended by deleting subsection (e) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(e) Vacancies through expiration of the terms of the members of the commission appointed by the speakers shall be filled by appointment by the appropriate speaker for a term of six (6) years. If a vacancy occurs other than by expiration of the term, the appropriate speaker shall fill such vacancy for the unexpired portion of the original term.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: March 14, 2007



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 28th day of March 2007



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR