

STATE OF TENNESSEE
PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 31
HOUSE BILL NO. 580

By Representatives Fincher, Evans

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 912

By Senators Burks, Stewart, Marrero, Ford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 3, to designate milk as the official state beverage.

WHEREAS, Tennessee's dairy industry produced nearly 100 million pounds of milk in 2007, with cash receipts for milk and milk products totaling nearly \$202 million; and

WHEREAS, because of its many health benefits, milk is widely considered to be a "super drink"; and

WHEREAS, milk is an essential component in building strong muscle and bones in children and mending injured muscle and bones in adults; and

WHEREAS, milk helps build strong and healthy teeth and reduce the incidence of cavities; and

WHEREAS, milk helps produce healthy hair, skin, and nails among its many millions of satisfied consumers; now, therefore,

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 3, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

§ 4-1-3__

Milk is designated as the official state beverage.

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

PASSED: March 26, 2009



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 2nd day of April 2009



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR