



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 363

HOUSE BILL NO. 1268

By Representatives Farmer, Hardaway, Stewart

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1307

By Senators Southerland, Bowling

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 11; Title 12; Title 13; Title 43 and Title 49, Chapter 17, relative to building materials used for public projects.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-15-104 is amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and substituting the following:

(b) The commission is encouraged to prescribe high performance building requirements and other standards, and promulgate rules and regulations, which meet or exceed the 2005 Sustainable Design Guidelines that the commission implemented, that are necessary to ensure all state buildings perform in an energy efficient manner.

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), the commission shall not prescribe any high performance building requirement or any other standard, nor promulgate any rules and regulations, which require or permit any wood products harvested or manufactured in this state, or any wood products designed or manufactured by a forest products company that is headquartered in this state, to be in any way less preferred in the design and construction of state buildings than any wood products harvested or manufactured outside this state, or to be in any way less preferred than any other wood products grown or harvested in this state, that have been certified or graded by any certifying or grading association or agency, including but not limited to the Sustainable Forestry Initiative, the American Tree Farm System, or the Forest Stewardship Council.

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

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PASSED: April 18, 2013

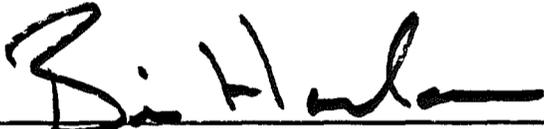


BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 13th day of May 2013



BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR