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Bill Report (2/12/21) - 46 bills

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SB1080 Development of strategies for improvements for non-fish and game recreational activities.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 69 and Title 70, relative to recreational activities.

EDUCATION

SB463/HB727 Water bottle filling stations in schools.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Potts, Jason

Summary: Requires each public school to have at least one student-accessible water bottle filling station within the school.

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to water bottle filling stations.

SB789/HB861 Local board of education policy that incorporates biennial testing for lead levels in drinking water.

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the Senate House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to lead-level tests.

SB1001/HB984 Water bottle filling stations in schools.

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky, Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate House Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to water access in public schools.

SB1410/HB46 Changes requirements in testing drinking water in public schools.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh, Rep. Lamar, London

Summary: Requires the department of education develop a water testing program to reduce potential lead contamination in drinking water in public

schools instead of boards of education. Requires child care programs to implement the water testing program required for public schools.

Changes the lead level that requires a school or child care program take certain steps under the program 20 to 15 parts per billion.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/11/21 - Set for House K-12 Subcommittee 02/16/21.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 1 and Title 49, Chapter 2, relative to water quality.

ENERGY & MINING

SB742/HB90 Time limit for notifying applicants under the Primacy and Reclamation Act of TN regarding approval of an application.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: Clarifies that 60-day time limit for notifying applicants under the Primacy and Reclamation Act of Tennessee whether an application has been

approved or disapproved applies to new applications rather than new amendments to existing applications. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 01/27/21 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 10; Title 50; Title 59; Title 60; Title 67; Title 68; Title 69 and Chapter 839 of the Caption:

Public Acts of 2018, relative to coal mining and reclamation.

TDEC Administration Bill Comment:

SB849/HB729 Membership of state energy policy council.

Sen. Pody, Mark, Rep. Ragan, John Sponsors Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-204-104, relative to the state energy policy council.

SB940 Annual reporting by persons engaged in mining, quarrying, production of minerals or gas.

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 59; Title 67, Chapter 7; Section 68-105-120 and Title 69, Chapter 3, relative to mining. Caption:

ENVIRONMENT & NATURE

SB113/HB199 Stormwater management - abatement of fees owed by property owner.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd, Rep. Carter, Mike

Summary: Requires a municipality to abate the storm water fees owed by a property owner until such fees equal the construction costs of any holding or

retention ponds constructed by the property owner pursuant to the Clean Water Act.

Senate Status: 01/14/21 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. House Status: 02/09/21 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 221, relative to storm water management.

SB152/HB174 Tennessee Cleaner Landscapes for the Economy, Agriculture, and Nature (CLEAN) Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard, Rep. Faison, Jeremy

Summary: Establishes the Tennessee CLEAN Commission consisting of 13 members and specifies appointment process for members. Specifies that the

> purpose of the commission is to create and implement a program for plastic, glass, and aluminum beverage containers which utilizes a redemption deposit value to incentivize consumers to collect and deliver beverage containers to redemption centers in order to collect the redemption deposit value. Also requires the commission to develop and implement a statewide litter program to comprehensively address litter

prevention and reduction.

Senate Status: 02/08/21 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.

House Status: 02/01/21 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 39; Title 57; Title 62; Title 68; Title 69 and Title 70, relative to the Caption:

Tennessee CLEAN Act.

SB276/HB517 Membership of the Chickasaw Basin Authority.

Sen. Rose, Paul, Rep. Gant, Ron Sponsors:

Summary: Expands the scope of the Chickasaw Basin Authority to include all counties located within the drainage area of the authority.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact The extent and timing of any shift in permissive local expenditures cannot reasonably be

determined; however, the net fiscal impact to local government is considered not significant.

Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. 02/10/21 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee House Status:

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 64, Chapter 1, Part 2, relative to the membership of the Chickasaw Basin Authority. Caption:

SB428/HB586 Loans from the wastewater facility revolving loan fund.

Sponsors: Sen, Yager, Ken, Rep, Marsh, Pat

Senate Status:

Summary: Expands the definition of "local government" for purposes of wastewater facilities to also mean a privately owned for-profit community

> wastewater treatment system subject to regulation by the Tennessee public utility commission. Authorizes loans from the wastewater facility revolving loan fund for privately owned for-profit community wastewater treatment systems that are subject to state regulation and meet certain

financial qualifications, including having a debt service coverage ratio of 1.25.

02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. House Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 221, Part 10, relative to the wastewater facility revolving loan fund. Caption:

SB495/HB398 Member of board of commissioners of a water and wastewater treatment authority - per diem.

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark, Rep. Boyd, Clark

Summary: Increases from \$100 to \$300 the maximum per diem payment to a member of the board of commissioners of a water and wastewater

treatment authority for attending a board meeting, not to exceed six board meetings per calendar year.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 3, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status: 02/08/21 - Introduced in the House

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 68-221-618, relative to per diem payment for board members of water and wastewater Caption:

treatment authorities

SB719/HB764 Rewrites Soil Conservation Districts Law.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack, Rep. Lamberth, William Page 3 of 6

Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the Senate House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29; Section 5-9-106; Section 6-58-104; Title 43, Chapter 14; Title 43, Chapter 14; Title 43, Chapter 14; Title 43, Chapter 15, Chapter 16, Chapter 16, Chapter 16, Chapter 17, Chapter 17, Chapter 18, Chapter 18, Chapter 19, Cha

34; Title 64 and Title 69, Chapter 6, relative to soil and water conservation.

SB790/HB1144 Incentives the TN board of energy and natural resources may adopt for alternatives to discharges to surface waters.

Sponsors: Sen. Walley, Page , Rep. Grills, Rusty
Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/10/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7, Chapter 35; Title 65; Title 68 and Title 69, relative to water quality.

SB1043/HB707 System of incentives for alternatives to discharges to surface waters.

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Zachary, Jason

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 5; Title 7, Chapter 35; Title 65; Title 68 and Title 69, relative to water

quality.

SB1049/HB227 Water Quality Control Act - permits.

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Summary: Requires the department of environment and conservation to take certain actions to ensure that in-lie fee sponsors secure mitigation for

permanent impacts to waters. Allows the commissioner to assess the liability of any polluter or violator for damages to the state resulting from any person's pollution or violation, failure, or neglect in complying with any rules or standards of water quality promulgated by the board or permits, including failure by an in-lieu fee sponsor to timely complete land acquisition and initial physical and biological improvements.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 30, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 69, Chapter 3, Part 1, relative to water quality.

SB1051 Membership of county solid waste authority board of directors.

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to solid waste.

SB1137/HB584 Annual reports submitted by municipal solid waste regions to commissioner.

Sponsors: Sen. White, Dawn, Rep. Terry, Bryan

Summary: Extends the deadline for municipal solid waste regions to submit their annual reports to the commissioner of environment and conservation

from March 31 to April 15. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 02/10/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 68, relative to environmental protection.

SB1189/HB1138 West Tennessee River Basin Flood Resiliency Fund Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Grills, Rusty
Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/10/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 64, Chapter 1, Part 11, relative to the West Tennessee River Basin Authority.

SB1214 Report on implementation of a secure web portal for submittal of online permit applications under the Water Quality Control Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 68 and Title 69, relative to the department of environment and conservation.

SB1215 Deadline for efficiency reports regarding permit applications.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank ,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 68 and Title 69, relative to environmental conservation.

SB1492/HB1136 Persons who withdraw 10,000 or more gallons of water per day.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Love Jr., Harold

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction House Status: 02/10/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65 and Title 69, relative to water resources.

HB60 Rewrites the Soil Conservation Districts Law.

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Sponsors: Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: Deletes the Soil Conservation and Domestic Allotment Act, the duties of the trustees of university to the act, and the policy of the state.

Rewrites act as Soil and Water Conservation Districts Law, establishes definitions and requirement for commission members, expands duties

and powers of commission, establishes guidelines for additional territories. (28 pp).

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 25, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

House Status: 02/08/21 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29; Section 5-9-106; Section 6-58-104; Title 43, Chapter 14; Title 43, Chapter

34; Title 64 and Title 69, Chapter 6, relative to soil and water conservation.

HB147 Water quality - powers of department of environment and conservation.

Sponsors: Rep. Zachary, Jason

Summary: Prohibits the department of environment and conservation from requiring any permit, inspection, review, or approval of plans for the

construction, installation, or modification of any land application system that the board of water quality, oil and gas is authorized to incentivize by rule as part of a system of incentives for alternatives to discharges to surface waters, including a land application system qualifying as a

public sewerage system. Broadly captioned. (Dated January 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

House Status: 02/08/21 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 5; Title 7, Chapter 35; Title 65 and Title 69, relative to water quality.

HEALTH CARE

Fiscal Note:

SB1253 Disposal of controlled substances and prescription drugs.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane,
Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to the disposal of controlled substances and prescription

druas.

JUDICIARY

SB1108/HB1023 Empanelment of juries for general sessions courts when sitting as an environmental court.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Potts, Jason Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate House Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 16; Title 17; Title 18; Title 19; Title 20; Title 22; Title 27; Title 29;

Title 39 and Title 40, relative to environmental courts.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SB836/HB871 Open pit mines and quarries - exemption from local regulations.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank, Rep. Campbell, Scotty
Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 59, Chapter 8, relative to reclamation.

PUBLIC FINANCE

SB740/HB91 Time frame within which loans from the drinking water revolving loan fund must be amortized.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: Increases from 20 to 30 years the amount of time within which loans from the drinking water revolving loan fund must be amortized. Also

increases from 30 to 40 years the time within which such loans must be amortized when made to disadvantaged communities.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 20, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 02/11/21 - Set for House Business & Utilities Subcommittee 02/17/21.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 221, Part 12, relative to the drinking water revolving loan fund.

Comment: TDEC Administration Bill

TAXES PROPERTY

SB1532/HB854 Classification of land as agricultural, forest, or open space land.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Helton, Esther Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to property taxes.

TAXES SALES

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SB215/HB131 Definition of tangible personal property.

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Summary: Clarifies that the definition of "tangible personal property" does not include mains, pipes, pipelines, or tanks after they have become attached to

a building, or other structure, or installed underground for conducting steam, heat, water, wastewater, oil, electricity, gas, or any property, substance, or product capable of transportation or conveyance therein or that is protected thereby, except for propane tanks for residential use

and above ground storage tanks that can be moved without disassembly and are not affixed.

Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxes.

UTILITIES

SB295/HB350 TPUC - electronic copies of minutes and official documents.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard, Rep. Marsh, Pat

Summary: Allows the Tennessee public utilities commission to keep electronic copies of minutes and official documents. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 21, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/10/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 28; Title 64; Title 65; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 69, relative

to utilities.

SB366/HB554 Increases penalty for willfully destroying gas fixtures or property of gas company.

Sponsors: Sen. Walley, Page, Rep. Johnson, Curtis

Summary: Increases, from \$500 to \$1,000, the penalty that a person is subject to when the person injures or destroys a portion of the gas fixtures or

other property belonging to a gas company, or willfully opens a communication into the street or other gas pipes, or lets on gas after it has

been stopped by the gas company. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 65, relative to utilities.

SB508/HB509 Electronic participation by utilities board members.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Boyd, Clark

Summary: Authorizes board members of utility districts and water, wastewater, and natural gas utility authorities to participate in board meetings by

electronic or other means of communication.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to House Public Service Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8- 44-108, relative to electronic participation by utilities board members.

SB517/HB649 Utility management review board to approve mergers, consolidations.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard, Rep. Darby, Tandy

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 82, Part 7, relative to the utility management review board.

SB533/HB651 Redefines "change in net position" for purposes of financially distressed utility districts and water or wastewater facilities.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Alexander, Rebecca

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/10/21 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7- 82-401; Section 68-221-1017 and Section 68-221- 1010, relative to utilities.

SB860 Increases membership of the board of commissioners for the Powell-Clinch River Utility District.

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken,

Summary: Increases the membership of the board of commissioners for the Powell-Clinch River Utility District from three to five members.

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 82, relative to boards of commissioners for utility districts.

SB1009 Purchase of an electric cooperative's electric distribution properties and service rights.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice ,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Introduced in the Senate

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 6; Title 7; Title 10; Title 65; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to utility providers.

SB1187/HB1140 Compensation for board of directors of Reelfoot Lake regional utility and planning district.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Grills, Rusty
Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

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House Status: 02/10/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Chapter 222 of the Public Acts of 1983, and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to

Reelfoot Lake Regional Utility and Planning District.

SB1193/HB1223 Membership of board of commissioners for Powell-Clinch River Utility District.

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken, Rep. Powers, Dennis Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 82, relative to boards of commissioners for utility districts.

SB1204 Providing of services to unincorporated areas.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard,
Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7, Chapter 34; Title 7, Chapter 36; Title 7, Chapter 52; Title 9 and Title 65,

relative to utilities.

SB1304/HB1328 Cutting off of service by a utility.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Harris, Torrey
Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7; Title 47, Chapter 18 and Title 65, relative to utilities.

SB1305/HB390 Policies governing discontinuation of service for nonpayment.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff, Rep. Harris, Torrey

Summary: Prohibits a utility governing body from discontinuing service on a day on which reconnections cannot take place within 24 hours or on the day

preceding or following a legal holiday. Makes statewide the requirement for utilities to establish a policy governing discontinuation of service

for nonpayment. In current law, requirement only applies to Davidson County.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 02/10/21 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7 and Title 65, relative to utilities.

SB1354 TPUC annual report to general assembly.

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6; Title 7 and Title 65, relative to utilities.

SB1559 Removes reference to a pilot project that ran through the end of the year 2003.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 47, Chapter 18; Title 64 and Title 65, relative to utilities.

SB1572 TPUC annual report to general assembly and governor.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul ,

Senate Status: 02/11/21 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 13; Title 47, Chapter 18 and Title 65, relative to oversight of utility

providers.