STATE OF TENNESSEE

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 568

HOUSE BILL NO. 885

By Representatives Cooper, Brown, Miller, Hardaway, Larry Turner, John DeBerry, Richardson, Towns, Gilmore, Camper, Harry Brooks, Odom, Mike Turner, Kernell, Ulysses Jones, Armstrong, Winningham, Dunn, Coley, Windle, Curt Cobb, Fraley, Tindell, Bone, Lois DeBerry, Ty Cobb, Hackworth, Stewart, Lollar, Maddox, Fincher, McCormick, Montgomery, Shepard, Barker, Tidwell, Borchert, Litz, Yokley, Niceley, Favors, Dean,

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1561

By Senators Burchett, Ford, Harper, Tate, Kyle, Marrero

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49 and Title 67, relative to the development of promise zones.

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

SECTION 1. The executive director of the Tennessee higher education commission shall convene a study group consisting of the president of the university of Tennessee system, the chief executive officer of the state university and community college system, the mayors of the cities of Memphis and Knoxville and the county mayors of Shelby and Knox counties, or the designees of these individuals, to meet to study the concept of a promise zone as represented in 2009 House Bill 885/Senate Bill 1561 and the feasibility of a pilot project for promise zones in Memphis and Knoxville. The executive director of the Tennessee higher education commission shall report the results and recommendations of this study to the senate education committee and house education committee on or before February 1, 2010.

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

PASSED: June 16, 2009

KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RON RAMSEY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 1st day of July 2009

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR