## STATE OF TENNESSEE

## PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 587

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1573

By Representatives West, Mumpower, Phillip Johnson, Windle, Bass, Jim Cobb, Shaw, Ulysses Jones, Yokley, McManus, Carr, Dean, Niceley, Curtis Johnson, Maggart, Dunn, Harry Brooks, Kevin Brooks, Hensley, Dennis, Campfield, Rich, Lynn, Swafford, Eldridge, Halford, Hill, Hawk,
Montgomery, Haynes, Harrison, Harwell, Coley, Faulkner, Evans, Matheny, Fincher, Hardaway, Sontany, Armstrong, Mike Turner, McCormick, Lois DeBerry, Naifeh, Odom, Bone, Moore, Hackworth, Winningham, Towns, John DeBerry, Richardson, Harmon, Camper, Ty Cobb, Coleman, Pitts, Stewart, McDonald, Todd, Cooper, Lollar and Mr. Speaker Williams

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1466

By Senators Haynes, Ketron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-23-206, relative to longevity pay.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-23-206, is amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting instead the following:

(c) The longevity pay provided by this section shall not be in place of any merit raise, step increase, incentive pay, or cost-of-living raise, but shall be in addition to all such increases. Longevity pay provided in this section shall be issued by separate check or by Automated Clearing House (ACH) transaction to the qualified employee, unless the employee elects not to receive a separate longevity check or separate payment by Automated Clearing House (ACH) transaction. It is hereby declared to be the intent of the general assembly to reward those not otherwise rewarded for experience and faithful service to the state, and to encourage career employees to remain in service to the state.

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

PASSED: June 18, 2009

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KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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APPROVED this 6th day of July 2009

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