

State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 351

By Representative Sargent

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Robert S. Qualman of Brentwood to the State Forestry Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, provides for the creation of the State Forestry Commission within the Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, further provides that the governor shall appoint seven (7) members to such commission for terms of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Haslam recently appointed Robert S. Qualman of Brentwood, Tennessee, to serve on the State Forestry Commission; Mr. Qualman will represent landowners owning 500 or fewer acres of forestland as a commission member during a term that will commence on July 1, 2011, and expire on June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Michigan State University who holds a Master of Business Administration degree from Clarkson University, Mr. Qualman is a licensed professional engineer and serves as Manager of Construction Services at J.R. Wauford & Co. in Nashville; and

WHEREAS, in 1992, Mr. Qualman and his wife, Laura, purchased 289 acres of forestland in Humphreys County, and through hard work, careful attention to detail, and strict adherence to best management practices, the Qualmans transformed this unproductive land into a quality tree farm that is now certified by the Tennessee Tree Farm program; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Qualman's expertise and success as a tree farmer have been greatly enhanced by his completion of the University of Tennessee Extension Service's Master Tree Farmer I and II courses and the Master Wildlife course; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Qualman has also earned certification as a Tennessee Forest Steward by the Department of Agriculture's Forestry Division; and

WHEREAS, he has contributed significantly to the forestry industry as a member of the Tennessee Tree Farm Committee, Tennessee Forest Legacy Committee, Dickson County Forestry Association, Carroll County Forestry Association, and Tennessee Forestry Association and as president of the Humphreys/Houston County Forestry Association; and

WHEREAS, because of their expertise in forest management and their commitment to promoting the tree farm program through action and example, Robert and Laura Qualman were named Tennessee's Outstanding Tree Farmers for 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Qualman's professional experience would be a tremendous asset to the State Forestry Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, provides that all members appointed to the State Forestry Commission by the governor shall be subject to confirmation by joint resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Robert S. Qualman of Brentwood, Tennessee, to a five (5) year term on the State Forestry Commission, such term to commence on July 1, 2011, and to expire on June 30, 2016. HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. _____351____

ADOPTED: MAY 20, 2011

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR