

State of Tennessee PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 112

SENATE BILL NO. 144

By Norris, Niceley, Bowling

Substituted for: House Bill No. 138

By McCormick, Doss

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 4, relative to the appointment and confirmation of members of the state forestry commission.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201(a), is amended by deleting the words "and shall be confirmed by joint resolution of the general assembly prior to beginning such member's term of office" from the third sentence.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201(c), is amended by deleting the words "and confirmed" from the first sentence.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201(c), is amended by adding the following as a new sentence:

"Appointments of new members and appointments to fill vacancies shall be confirmed by the general assembly as soon as practical but no later than the end of the first session of the general assembly following the appointment."

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201(d), is amended by deleting the following language:

Such an appointee shall serve only as a nonvoting member until confirmed as provided above.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED:

March 18, 2013

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10th day of ____ APPROVED this ____ 2013

HASLAM, GOVERNOR