



March 6, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Extends the termination date of the Beech River Watershed Development Authority Board of Directors to June 30, 2028. Under the *Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law*, the Authority is scheduled to terminate on June 30, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (016064): Deletes and replaces language of the original bill such that the substantive changes: (1) authorize designees of the Commissioner of the Department of Environment and Conservation, the Decatur County mayor, and the Henderson County mayor to serve in their stead as ex officio members of the Board; (2) remove any member who misses more than 50 percent of scheduled meetings during a calendar year from service on the Board; (3) require the presiding officer to notify the appointment authority to replace the removed member; (4) limit the scope of powers of the Authority; and (5) prohibit the Authority from exercising broad governmental controls or police powers to regulate land use planning, zoning, subdivision regulations, building codes, or similar powers to regulate land use.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- This bill continues an existing entity at its current funding level.
- The Board's expenditures were \$410,495 in FY17-18 and \$369,737 in FY18-19; revenues were \$385,543 in FY17-18 and \$437,837 in FY18-19.
- The Board received no state funds in FY17-18 or FY18-19.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 64-1-102, the Authority is authorized and empowered to execute a plan for the comprehensive development of resources of the Beech River watershed including in the fields of agriculture, forestry, drainage and flood control, electric power utilization, education, and public health. The proposed language removes education from the scope of fields. The Authority currently does not have specific

powers related to regulation of land use planning, zoning, subdivision regulations, or building codes.

- Any fiscal impact to local government as a result of the removal of education from the Authority's scope of plans or prohibit the Authority from exercising control over certain functions is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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