HOUSE BILL 126

By Lamberth

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 14, Part 1, relative to state natural areas.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(1)(O), is amended by deleting "sixteen and five-tenths (16.5) acres" and substituting "forty-one (41) acres".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2), is amended by adding the following as new subdivisions:

- () Clifty Creek Gorge. A forested area of approximately eighty-nine (89) acres in Morgan County containing a scenic gorge of Clifty Creek that flows into the Emory River and protects the federally threatened Virginia spirea (Spiraea virginiana);
- () Rocky Hill. An approximately one (1) acre site in Rutherford County that protects the type locality of the state endangered running glade clover (Trifolium calcaricum) and limestone cedar glade habitat;
- () Union Grove. An area of approximately fifty-nine (59) acres in Hamblen County that protects high-quality oak and mixed forest, headwater streams, and the state endangered Tennessee trillium (Trillium tennesseense), a species discovered new to science in 2013;
- () Versailles Knob. A forest of approximately forty (40) acres in Rutherford County that protects a population of the federally endangered Braun's Rockcress (Boechera perstellata) with large limestone outcrops that provide habitat for the rockcress;

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(B), is amended by deleting "Barnett's Woods" and substituting "Barnett's Woods and Prairie" and by deleting "forty (40) acre site" and substituting " site of one hundred fifty-six (156) acres".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(G), is amended by deleting "two thousand six hundred ninety (2,690) acres" and substituting "two thousand seven hundred fifty-four (2,754) acres".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(I), is amended by deleting "one hundred forty (140) acre site" and substituting "site of six hundred twenty-seven (627) acres".

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(P), is amended by deleting "eight hundred forty-six (846) acres" and substituting "nine hundred twenty-eight (928) acres".

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(S), is amended by deleting "two hundred forty-nine (249) acre site" and substituting "site of two hundred seventy-three (273) acres".

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(NN), is amended by deleting "three thousand (3,000) acres" and substituting "three thousand six hundred (3,600) acres".

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(PP), is amended by deleting "one thousand three hundred sixty-seven (1,367) acre area" and substituting "area of one thousand three hundred eighty-eight (1,388) acres".

SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-14-108(b)(2)(LLL), is amended by deleting "four hundred twenty-eight (428) acres" and substituting "four hundred seventy-six (476) acres".

SECTION 11. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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