



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 58

SENATE BILL NO. 243

By Crowe

Substituted for: House Bill No. 355

By Holsclaw, Crawford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 3 and Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 4, relative to Tennessee's first peoples.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 1, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

The following cultural groups are recognized as Tennessee's first peoples:

- (1) The Algonquian peoples, including the Shawnee and Lenape;
- (2) The Chickamaugan peoples;
- (3) The Iroquoian peoples, including the Cherokee;
- (4) The Muskogean peoples, including the Alabama, Coosa, Chickasaw, Natchez, Koasati, Tuskegee, and Taliwa;
- (5) The Siouan peoples, including the Quapaw and Mosopelea; and
- (6) The Yuchean peoples, including the Chisca, Yuchi, Taougalé, Tongeria, and Tamahita.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED: March 15, 2021


RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 29th day of March 2021


BILL LEE, GOVERNOR