

HOUSE BILL 500

By Eldridge

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7 and Title 68, relative to continuing education and training requirements.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-82-307(b)(5), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(5)

(A) A utility district commissioner who fails to meet the training and continuing education requirements set forth in § 7-82-308 before the end of the commissioner's term of office or before the end of any extension approved by the comptroller of the treasury or the comptroller's designee is not eligible for reappointment or reelection to another term of office except as provided in subdivision (b)(5)(B). For the purposes of this subdivision (b)(5)(A), the continuing education period used to determine whether a utility district commissioner has met the training and continuing education requirements set forth in § 7-82-308 is the last full continuing education period before the utility district commissioner's term of office ends.

(B) A commissioner who is not eligible for reappointment or reelection to another term of office pursuant to subdivision (b)(5)(A) may become eligible for reappointment or reelection if the commissioner completes the training and continuing education requirements that were not completed during the commissioner's prior term of office or any extension approved by the comptroller of the treasury or the comptroller's designee. The utility district is not responsible

for paying for any expenses, including, but not limited to, registration and travel expenses for any training and continuing education requirements completed after the commissioner's term of office or any extension approved by the comptroller of the treasury or the comptroller's designee.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it.