



State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 466

SENATE BILL NO. 424

By Yarbrow, Gilmore, Haile

Substituted for: House Bill No. 811

By Powell, Jernigan, Freeman, Beck, Camper

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, relative to tourism development.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-88-117(a)(2), is amended by deleting the language "twenty-five hundredths percent (0.25%)" and substituting the language "fifty hundredths percent (0.50%)".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-88-117(b), is amended by deleting subdivision (3) and substituting:

(3) Except as provided in subdivision (b)(4):

(A) One-half (1/2) of the proceeds of the fee provided for in this section must be distributed to the metropolitan government from which the fee was collected to be deposited into the event and marketing fund of such government. The funds derived from the collection of this fee and distributed pursuant to this subdivision (b)(3)(A):

(i) Must be used to assist in the recruitment of major conventions and group meetings, the improvement of promotion, and to provide additional focused security in the central business improvement districts located within a tourism development zone; and

(ii) Shall not be used to assist in the recruitment of, directly or indirectly, conventions or group meetings that are considering, or would otherwise consider absent the use of this fee, other meeting and convention venues located in a county in which such fee is imposed; and

(B) One-half (1/2) of the proceeds of the fee provided for in this section must be distributed to the metropolitan government from which the fee was collected to be deposited into the Nashville District Management Corporation Fund of such government. The funds derived from the collection of this fee and distributed pursuant to this subdivision (b)(3)(B) must be used to promote safety and cleanliness in the central business improvement district located in downtown Nashville. For the purposes of this subdivision (b)(3)(B), to "promote safety and cleanliness" may include, but is not limited to, enhanced public safety, social services, and sidewalk cleaning.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2021, the public welfare requiring it.


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PASSED: May 3, 2021


RANDY McNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE


CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 18th day of May 2021


BILL LEE, GOVERNOR