HOUSE BILL 1666

By Reedy

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 64, Chapter 1, Part 11, relative to the West Tennessee River Basin Authority.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1101(b), is amended by deleting "Hatchie, Loosahatchie, Obion and Forked Deer River basins" and substituting "river basins in the agency service area".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1101(b)(4), is amended by deleting "and the creek and river basins that flow through the counties of Benton, Decatur and Hardin into the Tennessee River" and substituting "through education, outreach, and science".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1101, is amended by deleting subsection (c) and substituting:

(c) These activities are accomplished in the agency service area that is

comprised of Lauderdale, Lake, Dyer, Obion, Madison, Weakley, Henry, Gibson, Carroll,

Benton, Decatur, Hardin, Haywood, Crockett, Henderson, Chester, McNairy, Tipton,

Fayette, Hardeman, Perry, Stewart, Houston, and Humphreys counties.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1103, is amended by deleting "Hatchie, Obion and Forked Deer River basins" in subdivisions (7) and (8) and substituting "agency service area".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1103, is amended by deleting subdivision (16) and substituting:

(16) Obtain funds from county governments for purposes of planning, acquisition of land and facilities, and construction, operation, management, and maintenance of all

works, facilities, and programs particularly required by such county or counties. County governments are empowered, but are not required, to impose taxes to accomplish these programs. Such taxes, if imposed, must be upon all real property lying within the agency service area as situated in the respective counties, and such tax shall be imposed on that property determined by the county as benefiting from the works of improvement and programs of the authority;

SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1103(18), is amended by deleting "Obion Forked Deer basin authority" and substituting "West Tennessee River Basin Authority".

SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1104(a)(3), is amended by deleting "Hatchie, Obion and Forked Deer River basins" and substituting "agency service area".

SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1104(b), is amended by deleting "for the Hatchie, Obion, and Forked Deer River basins".

SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-1109(a), is amended by deleting "and McNairy" and substituting ", McNairy, Houston, Humphreys, Stewart, and Perry".

SECTION 10. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.