

HOUSE BILL 1773

By Sparks

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 1,
Chapter 3; Title 30, Chapter 2 and Title 67,
Chapter 5, relative to public notices.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 1-3-105, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() "Newspaper of general circulation" may also include a radio station that receives public funding provided that the radio station has a web address where the legal or public notice shall be published contemporaneously to any announcement.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 1-3-120, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (b) and by redesignating the remaining subsections accordingly:

Beginning July 1, 2014, in all cases where public notice or legal notice is required to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, any announcement made on a radio station that receives public funding, along with the complete notice being published contemporaneously on the radio station's web address, shall be deemed sufficient public or legal notice.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 30-2-306(a), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (1) and by adding the following new language, to be designated as subdivision (2):

(2) As used in this section, "some newspaper of the county" may include a radio station that receives public funding provided that the radio station has a web address where the legal or public notice shall be published contemporaneously to any announcement.

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-2502 (a)(2), is amended by adding the following language to the end of the subdivision:

As used in this section, "newspaper" may include a radio station that receives public funding provided that the radio station has a web address where the legal or public notice shall be published contemporaneously to any announcement.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.