

HOUSE BILL 1783

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4,
Chapter 29, Part 2 and Title 57, Chapter 1, relative
to the alcoholic beverage commission.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-1-102, is amended by deleting the first two sentences of subsection (a) and substituting instead the following:

There is created and established the alcoholic beverage commission, which shall consist of seven (7) members, three (3) to be appointed by the governor, two (2) to be appointed by the speaker of the senate, and two (2) to be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives. The governor shall appoint one (1) member who resides in each grand division of the state.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-1-103, is amended by deleting the section in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

(a)

(1) The three (3) members of the commission appointed by the governor shall be appointed for terms concurrent with the term of governor. In the event a vacancy occurs, the governor shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

(2) The four (4) members of the commission appointed by the two speakers shall be appointed for four-year terms with the terms starting July 1, 2016. In the event a vacancy occurs, the appropriate speaker shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

(b) The commissioners shall serve at the pleasure of the appropriate appointing authority and shall be subject to removal by that authority at any time.

(c) The members of the commission shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with their official duties. All reimbursement for travel expenses shall be in accordance with the comprehensive travel regulations as promulgated by the department of finance and administration and approved by the attorney general and reporter.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-1-104, is amended by deleting the third sentence in subsection (b) and substituting instead the following:

Four (4) members of the commission shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, or in the performance of any duty, power, or function of the commission.

SECTION 4. Persons serving on the commission as of June 30, 2016, shall continue to serve through the remainder of their terms as prescribed in § 57-1-103.

SECTION 5. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.