

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 53

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A RESOLUTION to study emergency notifications on changeable message signs with digital displays.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the Department of Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Safety, is hereby urged to study establishing a state-wide, voluntary system for placing federal, state and local emergency notifications on changeable message signs with digital displays and on other electronic signs operated under any permit issued by the department. Any voluntary system established shall include, but is not limited to, notifications for Amber alerts, silver alerts, defense emergencies and weather emergencies. In establishing such voluntary system, the department shall seek input from representatives of the changeable message sign industry as well as the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation is requested to report all findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the House Transportation Committee and the Senate Transportation Committee no later than February 1, 2010.