

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 522

By Harwell

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Robin Bennett as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, creates the Tennessee regulatory authority (TRA); and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101(a), provides that one (1) director of the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives; and

WHEREAS, Speaker of the House Beth Harwell has appointed Robin Bennett of Signal Mountain to serve the remainder of an unexpired term on the Tennessee regulatory authority, such term to expire on June 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bennett currently serves as a vice president and financial center manager for one of the South's largest banks, First Tennessee, and brings to the TRA broad experience in customer relations, business management, and federal and regulatory compliance; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga with a bachelor's degree in business administration-finance, Mrs. Bennett possesses a comprehensive background in banking and finance and has obtained her Series 6/63 financial licenses to sell securities, as well as being licensed to sell life and health insurance; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bennett is a graduate of the Southeastern School of Banking and of Leadership Chattanooga; she is active in leadership roles in her community, having served on the boards of the South Broad Redevelopment Group, Junior League of Chattanooga, and the Chattanooga Chamber of Commerce's Southside Council and is also a member of the Chattanooga Bar Association Auxiliary; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Bennett's extensive experience in banking and finance will be valuable to the Tennessee regulatory authority in fulfilling its statutory mission of promoting the public interest by balancing the interests of utility consumers and providers; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101(f), provides that each appointment to the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be confirmed by joint resolution adopted by each house of the general assembly; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101(g), provides that any vacancy on the authority shall be filled by the original appointing authority for such position to serve the unexpired term and each appointment shall be confirmed in the same manner as the original appointment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Robin Bennett of Signal Mountain to serve the remainder of an expired term as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority, such term to expire on June 30, 2014.