

SENATE BILL 178

By Lowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8,
Chapter 44, relative to public meetings.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-44-112, is amended by deleting subsection (a) and substituting the following:

(a) A governing body shall, for each public meeting, reserve a period for public comment to provide the public with the opportunity to comment:

(1) On matters that are germane to the items on the agenda for the meeting; and

(2) On any matter that is germane to the jurisdiction of the governing body, regardless of whether such matter is an item on the agenda for the meeting.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.