

HOUSE BILL 165

By Sargent

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65,
Chapter 4, relative to regulation of certain utilities.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-4-112, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (c):

(c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), upon a complaint being filed with the office of the attorney general and reporter or the division of consumer affairs of commerce and insurance, and pursuant to an investigation being conducted by such officials based on the complaint filed, a nonutility may be regulated by the Tennessee regulatory authority following the sale or lease to the nonutility by the public utility if the investigation concludes that the services of the nonutility do not meet the requirements of §§ 65-4-114 and 65-4-115 or the rates being charged by the nonutility to its ratepayers are unjust or discriminatory.

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