HOUSE BILL 397

By Durham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 44 and Title 10, Chapter 7, relative to governing bodies.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-44-108(c)(5), is amended by deleting the language "by roll call vote." and substituting instead the following:

"by roll call vote; and no vote shall be cast by means of text messaging."

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-44-109, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection (e) and redesignating the existing subsection (e) accordingly:

(e) No member participating in an electronic communication pursuant to this section shall cast a vote by means of text messaging.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.