## **HOUSE BILL 873**

## By Bricken

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 20 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property bought by a county at a tax sale.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-2505, is amended by deleting the section and substituting:

- (a) Whenever a county acquires property at a tax sale, any non-governmental entity holding a vested and duly recorded contractual right to the payment of fees or assessments secured by such property retains such right; provided, that the non-governmental entity may only enforce such contractual rights against the county through the exercise of its lien rights against the property.
- (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), a county is liable for the payment of the fees and assessments described in subsection (a) if the county makes actual use of the property purchased at the tax sale.
  - (c) This section applies in any county having a population of not less than:
  - (1) Twenty-seven thousand two hundred (27,200) nor more than twenty-seven thousand three hundred (27,300), according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census; and
  - (2) Fifty-two thousand seven hundred (52,700) nor more than fifty-two thousand eight hundred (52,800), according to the 2010 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

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