SENATE BILL 779 By Stevens

HOUSE BILL 903

By Grills

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 33 and Title 6, Chapter 54, relative to including the costs for restoration of property on property tax bills.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-54-113(c), is amended by inserting the following as a new subdivision (c)(3):

(3) As an alternative to the remedies provided in subdivision (c)(1)(A), if the owner of record of real property, including owner-occupied residential real property, fails or refuses to remedy the condition after receiving the notice described in subsection (b) within ten (10) days of receipt of the notice, or twenty (20) days of receipt of the notice when the owner of record is a carrier engaged in the transportation of property or is a utility transmitting communications, electricity, gas, liquids, steam, sewerage, or other materials, the municipality may bill the owner the costs to remedy or remove the condition, in the same manner as municipal real property taxes and add the amount on the real property tax notice sent to the owner. If this remedy is used by a municipality, the amount billed to the property owner shall not constitute a lien on any affected property or accrue penalties or interest for late payment. Any municipality that adds such costs to the real property tax notices shall bear all expenses related to system modifications necessary to add the costs to the notices.

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