

HOUSE BILL 970

By Howell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7,
Chapter 52, relative to additional authorization to
provide broadband, internet, and related services.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-52-103(c), is amended by deleting the language "within its service area and".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-52-601(a), is amended by deleting the language "within its service area".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-52-601, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection:

() Prior to providing any such services outside of its electric system service area, the system shall obtain the written consent of each electric cooperative, municipal electric system, or telephone cooperative in whose territory the system will provide such services.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.