

HOUSE BILL 1204

By Niceley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 43,
Chapter 6, relative to pest plants.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 43, Chapter 6, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

43-6-1__.

(a) Within ninety (90) days of the effective date of this act, the commissioner shall appoint a council, to be composed of five (5) citizens involved in the nursery industry, to advise the commissioner regarding pest plants and invasive species in general, and specifically to advise the commissioner about prohibiting the propagation, sale, or release of certain plants and species in Tennessee by means of the rulemaking process.

(b) Members of such council shall serve without compensation, nor shall they be reimbursed for travel expenses.

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