

HOUSE BILL 1617

By Calfee

AN ACT to amend Chapter 231 of the Private Acts of 1980; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to Waterworks, Sewerage and Natural Gas system for the City of Rockwood.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 231 of the Private Acts of 1980, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 4 of Article VIII, and substituting instead the following:

Section 4. Operation and Control of the Waterworks, Sewer and Natural Gas System. The operation and control of the Waterworks, Sewerage and Natural Gas system shall be vested in the Board of Waterworks, Sewerage and Natural Gas Commissioners by ordinance adopted in strict compliance with Tennessee Code Annotated Title 7, Chapter 35, provided, however, the Board of Waterworks, Sewerage and Natural Gas Commissioners of the City of Rockwood shall consist of five (5) members appointed by the governing body of the City of Rockwood upon recommendation by the Mayor. Four (4) members shall be residents of the City of Rockwood, and one (1) member shall be a resident of the unincorporated area served by such board. One (1) of the members that is a resident of the City of Rockwood shall be a member of the City of Council. The other three (3) members from the City of Rockwood shall be property holders in the City, and shall be residents of the City of Rockwood for one (1) year preceding their appointment. The one (1) member from the unincorporated area of such board shall be a property holder in said unincorporated area and shall be a resident thereof for one (1) year preceding their appointment. Upon expiration of the term of each board member not a member of the City Council, the City Council of the City of Rockwood shall appoint a successor to serve a four (4) year term upon recommendation by the Mayor. A board member who is a member of the City

Council shall serve a term to run with his or her term of office as a member of the City Council. Non-council members of the Board may not be appointed to succeed themselves more than once. When a vacancy occurs for any other reason, the City Council of the City of Rockwood shall appoint a successor for the unexpired term only upon recommendation by the Mayor.

No provision of said private act shall be construed to remove any incumbent from office, and the provisions of said private act shall be implemented as the terms of office of members of the Board expire.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of Rockwood. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.