

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 664

SENATE BILL NO. 1686

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Substituted for: House Bill No. 1764

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 64, Chapter 1, relative to the Sequatchie Valley planning and development agency.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-241(a), is amended by deleting subdivision (40).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4-29-247(a), is amended by inserting the following as a new subdivision:

- () Sequatchie Valley educational development agency, created by §§ 64-1-501 and 64-1-502;
- SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-501, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:
 - (a) There is created the Sequatchie Valley educational development agency, being a public body corporate and politic and referred to as the "agency" in this part.
 - (b) The agency is created for the purpose of developing the field of education for the region covered by Bledsoe, Marion, Rhea, Grundy, and Sequatchie counties, referred to as the "region" in this part.
 - (c) The scope of the agency's interests, work, and activities includes programs in the field of education.
- SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-502, is amended by adding the following as a new subsection (d):
 - (1) A member who misses more than fifty percent (50%) of the scheduled meetings in a calendar year is removed as a member of the board.
 - (2) The presiding officer of the board shall promptly notify, or cause to be notified, the appointing authority of the member who fails to satisfy the attendance requirement as prescribed in subdivision (d)(1).
- SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-503, is amended by deleting the section and substituting instead the following:

The agency has the following general powers, functions, and duties:

- (1) Perpetual succession in the corporate name;
- (2) Sue and be sued in the corporate name;
- (3) Adopt, use, and alter a corporate seal, which is judicially noticed;

- (4) Enter into contracts and cooperative agreements with federal, state, and local governments, and other agencies, with private individuals, corporations, associations, and other organizations as the board deems necessary in carrying out the purposes of this part;
 - (5) Adopt, amend, and repeal bylaws;
- (6) Appoint managers, officers, employees, attorneys, and agents as the board deems necessary for the transaction of business, fix the appointees' compensation, and, if the board determines necessary, require bonds from the appointees;
 - (7)(A) Receive and expend funds from any source for staffing and other administrative expenses, research, planning, coordination, and other activities deemed necessary to promote the efficient educational development of the region; and
 - (B) Receive grants from private foundations and other sources for the purposes of research and for demonstration projects oriented to human, physical, and natural resources utilization;
- (8) Coordinate its activities with federal agencies having responsibility for developing natural, human, and physical resources of the region and cooperate with the agencies in developing such resources;
- (9) Cooperate with local and regional financial institutions in assembling financial resources for educational development; and
- (10) Acquire by purchase, lease, or gift real and personal property, or any interest therein, that the board deems necessary in carrying out the purposes of this part.
- SECTION 6. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-504, is amended by deleting the section.
- SECTION 7. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-505, is amended by deleting the section.
- SECTION 8. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-506(a)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:
 - Make plans for the construction, operation, and maintenance of regional educational facilities in one (1) or more of the five (5) counties constituting the region; and
- SECTION 9. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-508(2), is amended by deleting "public works" wherever it appears.
- SECTION 10. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 64-1-511, is amended by deleting the section.
- SECTION 11. Notwithstanding § 4-29-112, the Sequatchie Valley planning and development agency terminates and ceases to exist on the effective date of this act. All directors serving on the Sequatchie Valley planning and development agency on the date immediately preceding the effective date of this act may continue to serve on the Sequatchie Valley educational development agency until their terms expire.
 - SECTION 12. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

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PASSED:	March 19, 2020	
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APPROVED this	2nd day of April	2020

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