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HOUSE BILL 1850

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7; Title 68, Chapter 221 and Title 69, Chapter 3, relative to allowing the use of green infrastructure practices in combined sewer areas.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7-35-401, is amended by deleting the word "and" at the end of subdivision (b)(1)(C), adding the word "and" at the end of subdivision (b)(1)(D), and adding the following as a new subdivision:

(E) The installation of green infrastructure practices within areas containing collecting systems designed to convey both sanitary sewage and storm water. Green infrastructure practices include, but are not limited to: trees, tree boxes, vegetated roofs, infiltration strips, rain gardens, cisterns, dry wells, permeable pavement, soil amendments, pocket wetlands, and vegetated swales. Green infrastructure practices may be implemented on both public and private property at the discretion of the incorporated city or town;

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