

HOUSE BILL 2519

By Faulkner

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11;
Title 12; Title 38; Title 39 and Title 44, relative to
certain parks and recreation division employees.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-3-107, is amended by adding the following new subsection (c) and redesignating the subsequent subsections accordingly:

(c)

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of title 12, chapter 2, part 4, when the division of parks and recreation makes a determination to retire an equine from service, the park ranger, ranger naturalist, park manager or any other similar employee who has used the equine to carry out such person's duties as a law enforcement officer or as an employee of the division of parks and recreation, may take possession of the equine upon paying to the division of parks and recreation the value assigned to the equine pursuant to subdivision (3).

(2) Upon taking possession of a retired equine pursuant to subdivision (1), the park ranger, ranger naturalist, park manager or any other similar employee shall be responsible for all costs associated with maintaining such equine.

(3) The division of parks and recreation is authorized to promulgate rules in accordance with the uniform administrative procedures act, title 4, chapter 5, necessary to carry out the provisions of this act including establishing a value for the equine at the time the decision is made to retire the equine from service.

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