

HOUSE BILL 3469

By Todd

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102, relative to premier type tourist resorts.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 57-4-102(24), is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() A commercially operated facility owned by a not-for-profit organization possessing each of the following characteristics:

() Is located on the Cumberland Plateau, within one (1) mile of a National River and Recreation Area;

() Offers historic interpretation of Victorian-era British architecture, lifestyle, and settlement on the Cumberland Plateau in the 1880s and thereafter;

() Operates public education programs year round in multiple historic buildings built from 1880 to 1884, including the oldest unchanged and preserved public library in America;

() Preserves the historic character of a British settlement on the Cumberland Plateau in the 1880s through a board of directors engaged in land acquisition and management, design review of new construction and renovation, and the public enjoyment of period crafts, music, and folklife through the organization of festivals, support for local artists through the sale of arts and crafts in a commissary;

() Owns, sells, and develops home sites for construction of design-approved homes;

() Offers year-round overnight accommodations to visitors in historic inn

and cottage settings;

() Operates a year-round restaurant serving breakfast, lunch, and dinner to visitors, community residents, guests, and members of the public;

() Attracts thousands of visitors annually from around the world;

() Does not discriminate against any patron on the basis of age, gender, race, religion or national origin; and

() Is located within any county having a population of not less than nineteen thousand five hundred (19,500) nor more than nineteen thousand seven hundred seventy five (19,775), according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census.

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