HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 5

By Harwell

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of James M. "Jim" Allison as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, creates the Tennessee regulatory authority; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, as amended by Chapter 1070 of the Public Acts of 2012, provides that two (2) directors of the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be appointed by joint agreement among the governor, the speaker of the senate, and the speaker of the house of representatives; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Haslam, Lieutenant Governor Ron Ramsey, and Speaker Beth Harwell have jointly appointed James M. "Jim" Allison of Shelbyville to serve as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority during a term that will expire on June 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allison is an accomplished utility executive with over thirty-five years of industry management experience across the United States; his career has spanned all sectors of the electric utility industry with service at the Officer/CEO level in the investor-owned, government owned, and cooperative sectors of the electric industry; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allison has served on numerous corporate boards and governing bodies and represented various organizations before local, state and federal bodies; he has worked with Public Service Commissions in six states, U.S. Congress, and various state legislative bodies and boards of corporations with which he has been affiliated; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allison presently serves with distinction as President and Chief Executive Officer for Duck River Electric Membership Corporation, one of the nation's largest electric power cooperatives that serves sixteen counties in south central Tennessee; and WHEREAS, Mr. Allison is also a longtime college football official with experience officiating at the sport's highest and most prestigious levels for over twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Allison's extensive experience in both the public and private sectors will be valuable to the Tennessee regulatory authority; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, provides that each appointment to the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be confirmed by joint resolution adopted by each house of the general assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of James M. "Jim" Allison of Shelbyville to serve a six (6) year term as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority, such term to expire on June 30, 2018.