

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1221

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A RESOLUTION relative to recent flooding in Middle Tennessee.

WHEREAS, during the first week of May 2010, Middle Tennessee and Nashville experienced a 1,000-year flood, with torrential rain depositing fourteen inches or more across the region in less than forty-eight hours; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee's emergency personnel did their usual stellar job in responding to this natural disaster; however, some flood management efforts may have caused as many problems as they solved; and

WHEREAS, the flood of 2010 may have also revealed some weaknesses in the maintenance of our flood control infrastructure; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby strongly urge the Tennessee Congressional delegation to initiate investigative hearings on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers relative to the following issues:

- (1) Water releases from area dams during the flooding Middle Tennessee has experienced in early May 2010; and
- (2) Maintenance of dams and levees serving Middle Tennessee, specifically including the Wolf Creek Dam.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to each member of the Tennessee Congressional delegation and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.