SENATE BILL 501

By Southerland

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to wildlife resources.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-302, is amended by deleting subsection (b) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(b) The agency may enter into cooperative agreements with the United States

Tennessee Valley authority, United States fish and wildlife service, national park service,

United States forest service, or with any other federal agency, or with any state for the

purpose of regulating fishing, hunting, or trapping in the area under jurisdiction of the

federal agencies or the state or in interstate waters, as the case may be. Such

regulations shall become effective as soon as they have been accepted by all parties to

the agreement and as soon as forty-five (45) days has elapsed from the first publication

of such regulations. Agreements involving reciprocal actions relative to wildlife violations

shall become effective forty-five (45) days after publication in the same manner as is

required for proclamations.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-1-307, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) It is the duty of the executive director, on or before September 30 of each year, to prepare and present to the governor and each member of the wildlife resources commission an annual report showing what has been expended by the agency during the year immediately preceding, the amount of monies received and from what source and the amount expended and for what purposes.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2011, the public welfare requiring it.