

SENATE BILL 694

By Niceley

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 14, Part 2; Title 43; Title 44 and Title 70, relative to animal species that have the potential to damage agricultural operations.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, Chapter 4, Part 4, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

**70-4-418.** The agency shall not reintroduce or relocate any species of animal that has the potential to damage the production of farm products or nursery stock, as defined in § 43-1-113(b), without first promulgating a rule, pursuant to the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in title 4, section 5, for the reintroduction or relocation of the animal, and having the rule reviewed pursuant to § 4-5-226.

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