

State of Tennessee

PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 868

HOUSE BILL NO. 1494

By Representatives Carr, Crawford

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2205

By Senator Swann

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 9 and Title 58, relative to local states of emergency.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-8-104, is amended by adding the following new subsections:

- (e) If a county mayor or the executive of a county declares a local state of emergency in accordance with subsection (a), the county mayor or the executive of the county may, in the interest of public health, safety, and welfare, issue orders to direct and compel the evacuation of the entire unincorporated area of the county or any portion thereof.
- (f) If a mayor or the executive of a municipality or metropolitan government declares a local state of emergency in accordance with subsection (a), the mayor or the executive of the municipality or metropolitan government may, in the interest of public health, safety, and welfare, issue orders to direct and compel the evacuation of the entire incorporated area of the municipality or metropolitan government, or any portion thereof.
- (g) A person who willfully violates an order issued under subsection (e) or (f) commits a Class C misdemeanor.

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

it.

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| PASSED: | April 17, 2018 |
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BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

RANDY MCNALLY SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 39 day of May 2018

BILL HASLAM GOVERNOR