

SENATE

STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2022
10:30 AM - CORDELL HULL BUILDING
SENATE HEARING ROOM I

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

BRIGGS (R) CHAIRMAN	JACKSON (R)	POWERS (R)
GARDENHIRE (R) 1ST VICE CHAIRMAN	KELSEY (R)	YAGER (R)
WALLEY (R) 2ND VICE CHAIRMAN	KYLE (D)	YARBRO (D)

BUDGET HEARINGS

BOARD OF PAROLE

CORRECTIONS INSTITUTE

TRICOR

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [SB 1757](#) *Reeves (HB 1727 by *Gillespie)

Utilities, Utility Districts- As introduced, changes compliance requirements for existing training and education requirements of municipal utility board members, utility district commissioners, and the local municipalities and utility districts that they serve; adds reporting requirements for entities regarding certain water for resale contracts; changes certain water loss requirements; transfers certain compliance oversight to the Tennessee public utility commission. - Amends TCA Section 7-34-115; Section 7-82-307; Section 7-82-308; Section 7-82-314; Section 7-82-401; Section 7-82-702; Section 7-82-705; Section 7-82-709; Section 68-221-1010; Section 68-221-1012; Section 68-221-1016; Section 68-221-1206; Section 68-221-1006 and Section 68-221-1009.

2. [SB 2553](#) ***Jackson** (HB 2393 by *Moon)

Municipal Government- As introduced, deletes requirements for biennial audits of municipal governments in favor of annual audits supervised by the comptroller of the treasury. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 3; Title 6, Chapter 56 and Section 16-18-310.

3. [SB 2082](#) ***Yager** (HB 2682 by *Marsh)

Census- As introduced, removes an obsolete reference in the provision regarding the use of census information to create the population figures contained in Tennessee Code Annotated; adds reference to 2020 census publication information. - Amends TCA Section 1-3-116.

4. [SB 2403](#) ***Johnson, Walley** (HB 2150 by *Lamberth, Gant, Hurt)

Regional Authorities and Special Districts- As introduced, authorizes rather than requires the Megasite Authority of West Tennessee to provide water and wastewater services to customers located on the megasite property. - Amends TCA Title 64, Chapter 9, Part 1.

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REGULAR CALENDAR

1. [SB 1959](#) *Walley, Gardenhire (HB 2315 by *Darby)
Public Utilities- As introduced, enacts the "Tennessee Natural Gas Innovation Act." - Amends TCA Title 7 and Title 65.

2. [SB 1677](#) *Walley (HB 1729 by *Leatherwood)
Equalization Board- As introduced, authorizes the executive secretary of the state board of equalization to manage appeals before the board; authorizes the board, the executive secretary, or the executive secretary's designee to determine if a property no longer qualifies for a property tax exemption or to modify the tax-exempt status of a property; makes other related revisions. - Amends TCA Section 4-3-5105 and Title 67, Chapter 5.

3. [SB 1682](#) *Gardenhire (HB 1854 by *Whitson)
Public Records- As introduced, requires a records custodian to cite the state law prohibiting disclosure of a public record if the denial of the public records request is based on state law; requires a records custodian to allow a person making a public records request to inspect records in certain circumstances; clarifies the forms of identification a governmental entity may request as evidence of residency in this state from a person seeking public records. - Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5.

4. [SB 2422](#) ***Johnson, Briggs** (HB 2172 by *Lamberth, Gant, Hawk)
State Employees- As introduced, replaces "list of eligibles" with "pool of candidates" for purposes of filling positions in state service; revises various procedures regarding proceedings against state employees. - Amends TCA Section 8-30-103; Title 8, Chapter 30, Part 3 and Title 37, Chapter 5, Part 3.
5. [SB 1762](#) ***Campbell** (HB 1929 by *Hodges)
Local Government, General- As introduced, deletes prohibition on local governments mandating that employers who do business with the local government or within its jurisdictional boundaries maintain certain sick and family leave policies. - Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 51.
6. [SB 2704](#) ***Yager** (HB 2725 by *Ragan, Powers)
Historical Sites and Preservation- As introduced, authorizes the chief executive of a city or county, with the approval of the local legislative body, to fill a vacancy on a historic zoning commission until the expiration of the vacated member's term and to remove a member from the commission. - Amends TCA Title 13, Chapter 7, Part 4.
7. [SB 1947](#) ***Johnson** (HB 2675 by *Grills, Lamberth)
Campaigns and Campaign Finance- As introduced, allows a member of the general assembly to use campaign account funds for lodging expenses if the member is not otherwise eligible for reimbursement or the reimbursement does not cover the total amount of the expense and for mileage reimbursement above the amount reimbursed by the state. - Amends TCA Title 2 and Title 3.
8. [SB 1756](#) ***Reeves** (HB 1673 by *Johnson C)
Comptroller, State- As introduced, requires chief procurement officer to establish and maintain a central database of information regarding grant recipients and sub-recipients for monitoring purposes; requires state agencies to update information in the database; requires chief procurement officer to adopt rules regarding the grant management process. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 56.
9. [SB 2049](#) ***Haile** (HB 1684 by *Lamberth, Garrett, Sparks)
County Government- As introduced, requires a member of a county legislative body to declare a conflict of interest with respect to a proposed county budget, appropriation resolution, or tax rate resolution prior to casting the member's vote. - Amends TCA Title 5, Chapter 5 and Title 12, Chapter 4, Part 1.

10. [SB 1688](#) *Crowe (HB 1858 by *Darby, Griffey)

Taxes, Agricultural and Open Spaces- As introduced, clarifies that the minimum size requirement of 15 acres for land to be eligible to be classified as forest land for purposes of assessment and reduced property taxes may be achieved with a single tract or with two noncontiguous tracts separated only by a road, body of water, or public or private easement. - Amends TCA Section 67-5-1004.

11. [SB 2165](#) *Watson (HB 2414 by *Smith)

Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies- As introduced, establishes a procedure for requesting medical information covered by HIPAA from a self-funded plan of insurance. - Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 27.

12. [SB 1760](#) *Massey (HB 1651 by *Howell)

Municipal Government- As introduced, requires municipalities to allow current structural and illumination technologies to be used when outdoor advertising devices are constructed or expanded. - Amends TCA Title 13, Chapter 7; Title 29; Title 54, Chapter 17 and Title 54, Chapter 21.

13. [SB 2812](#) *Roberts (HB 2450 by *Weaver)

Pensions and Retirement Benefits- As introduced, authorizes a member of the Tennessee consolidated retirement system to purchase, instead of obtain, retirement credit for all of the member's previous service rendered while a full-time employee and participating member of a political subdivision's defined benefit retirement plan; authorizes the member to use funds from any source to purchase such retirement credit; makes other related revisions. - Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 34; Title 8, Chapter 35; Title 8, Chapter 36 and Title 8, Chapter 37.

14. [SB 2622](#) *Niceley (HB 2740 by *Holsclaw)

Zoning- As introduced, categorizes the construction and operation of dairy creameries, milk bottling plants, and certain slaughterhouses as agriculture operations that are not subject to local zoning requirements when located on agricultural land. - Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 43; Title 44 and Title 53.

15. [SB 1960](#) *Bell (HB 2001 by *Cochran)

Taxes, Hotel Motel- As introduced, requires that one-third of the proceeds derived from the tourist accommodation tax imposed by Davidson County be used for tourism promotion activities exclusively by and through a competitively bid contract of the metropolitan government to an entity whose primary purpose and activities are the direct promotion of tourism for the county. - Amends TCA Title 7, Chapter 4.

16. [SB 2117](#) *Bell (HB 2125 by *Howell)

Public Records- As introduced, requires that proprietary information submitted by commercial operators to the department of environment and conservation regarding the operators' commercial or financial information be treated as confidential and not be open for inspection by members of the public. - Amends TCA Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5.

17. [SB 2440](#) *Bell (HB 2569 by *Ragan)

Human Rights- As introduced, prohibits the state from discriminating against, or granting preferential treatment to, an individual or group based on the individual's or group's race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of any aspect of public employment, public education, or public contracting. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 12; Title 13 and Title 49.

18. [SB 1983](#) *Hensley (HB 1979 by *Bricken, Whitson, Crawford, Gillespie, Todd, Freeman, Keisling, Halford, Holsclaw, Beck, Chism)

Secretary of State- As introduced, extends the period of reduced fees payable to the secretary of state relating to nonprofit charitable gaming and the solicitation of charitable funds. - Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 17, Part 1 and Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 5.

19. [SB 1837](#) *Hensley, Bowling (HB 1694 by *Casada, Griffey, Warner, Ogles, Sherrell, Weaver, Faison, Zachary, Moon, Lynn, Leatherwood, Hulsey, Bricken, Wright, White, Doggett, Cochran, Haston, Cepicky, Eldridge, Todd, Moody, Sparks, Ragan, Boyd, Littleton, Reedy)

Religion and Religious Organizations- As introduced, prohibits the state, a political subdivision, or a public official from prohibiting, or imposing additional restrictions on, the lawful operations of a church or religious organization, including religious services or activities, during a state of emergency, major disaster, or natural disaster. - Amends TCA Title 58.

20. [SB 1840](#) *Hensley (HB 1675 by *Cepicky)

Taxes, Privilege- As introduced, authorizes a county legislative body to impose an impact fee on residential development in the county. - Amends TCA Title 5 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 29.

21. [SB 1774](#) *Hensley (HB 1677 by *Cepicky)

County Government- As introduced, authorizes a county legislative body to provide notice of regular and special meetings on the social media platform of the county, in addition to other notification methods. - Amends TCA Title 5 and Title 8, Chapter 44.

22. [SB 1939](#) *Bowling (HB 2112 by *Warner, Weaver)

Election Laws- As introduced, requires the comptroller of the treasury to establish an office of election integrity within the department of audit to perform and supervise election audits. - Amends TCA Title 2; Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 3 and Title 8, Chapter 4.

23. [SB 1511](#) *Bowling (HB 1649 by *Weaver)

State Employees- As introduced, provides that preference must be given to veterans and certain spouses of veterans for invitations to interview as candidates for appointments within state service, rather than for invitations to interview as candidates for appointments or promotion within state service. - Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 30.

24. [SB 2193](#) *Bowling (HB 2522 by *Sexton J)

Lobbying, Lobbyists- As introduced, prohibits a family member of a member of the general assembly from being a lobbyist while the member of the general assembly holds office; defines family member as an individual's parent, sibling, child, spouse, spouse's parent, or spouse's child. - Amends TCA Title 3, Chapter 6.

25. [SB 1929](#) *Campbell (HB 1977 by *Freeman)

Election Laws- As introduced, requires a county election commission that is purchasing, leasing, or upgrading the county's voting system to ensure that the voting system can produce a voter-verified paper audit trail. - Amends TCA Title 2.

26. [SB 2255](#) *Powers (HB 2488 by *Hodges)

Election Laws- As introduced, authorizes the county election commission of Montgomery County to research and test methods, systems, and technologies that would allow members and employees of the United States armed forces and their dependents who are registered to vote in the county but are stationed outside the territorial limits of the United States to vote by means other than, or in addition to, mail. - Amends TCA Title 2, Chapter 6.

27. [SB 2352](#) *Powers (HB 2519 by *Sexton J)

Purchasing and Procurement- As introduced, allows that at least three competitive proposals or quotes, in lieu of competitive bids, be used for purchases costing less than \$10,000 by or for a county road department or by a chief administrative officer. - Amends TCA Title 5, Chapter 14; Title 5, Chapter 21; Title 12, Chapter 3 and Title 54, Chapter 7.

- 28. [SB 2146](#) *Walley** (HB 2616 by *Holsclaw)
Lottery, Corporation- As introduced, prohibits disclosure of a lottery winner's name and other personal information unless expressly authorized by the winner except in circumstances of debt due to a state claimant agency or in furtherance of other statutory or regulatory duties of government. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 51 and Title 10, Chapter 7, Part 5.
- 29. [SB 2144](#) *Walley** (HB 2364 by *Hurt)
Planning, Public- As introduced, authorizes the legislative body of a municipality to designate a committee of the legislative body as the planning commission. - Amends TCA Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 13, Chapter 4.
- 30. [SB 2106](#) *Yager** (HB 2551 by *Mannis)
Purchasing and Procurement- As introduced, requires that materials related to competitive sealed bid proposals be open for public inspection after the intent to award the contract is announced; authorizes local governments to require interviews, presentations, or demonstrations for purposes of clarifying or understanding the bid proposal; prohibits disclosure of information from such interviews, presentations, or demonstrations to another respondent during negotiations for the contract. - Amends TCA Section 12-3-1207.
- 31. [SB 2108](#) *Yager** (HB 2264 by *Hicks G)
Regional Authorities and Special Districts- As introduced, authorizes development districts and the greater Nashville regional council to obtain insurance in lieu of surety bonds to ensure the lawful performance by agency officials and employees of their fiduciary duties and responsibilities. - Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 19; Title 13, Chapter 14 and Title 64, Chapter 7.
- 32. [SB 2544](#) *Yarbro, Haile** (HB 2277 by *Hawk, Jernigan)
Election Laws- As introduced, deletes exceptions to general law requirements for petitions for recall, referendum, or initiative. - Amends TCA Title 2.
- 33. [SB 2889](#) *Gardenhire** (HB 2864 by *Rudd)
Open Meetings- As introduced, removes authorization for certain municipalities to hold public meetings in which some members of the governing body are participating electronically; adds requirements for notice, public access, and public participation for public meetings of governing bodies of state boards, agencies, and commissions in which some members are participating electronically; removes a member of such governing body if the member physically attends less than 50 percent of the body's meetings in a two-year period. - Amends TCA Title 8, Chapter 44.

34. [SB 2649](#) *Gardenhire (HB 2672 by *Terry)

Treasurer, State- As introduced, prohibits state treasurer from entering into a contract with a state depository if the state depository has a policy prohibiting financing to companies in the fossil fuel industry. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 9 and Title 12.

35. [SB 1952](#) *Briggs (HB 1970 by *Russell)

Election Laws- As introduced, requires a candidate for county legislative body, constable, trustee, register, assessor of property, school board, or chief administrative officer of the highway department to be a qualified voter of the county and a resident of the county for one year. - Amends TCA Section 5-5-102; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 18; Title 49, Chapter 2, Part 2; Title 54, Chapter 7, Part 1 and Title 67, Chapter 1, Part 5.