

PUBLIC ACTS, 1999

CHAPTER NO. 362

HOUSE BILL NO. 141

By Representatives Buck, Odom

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 785

By Senators Haun, Crutchfield

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 54-14-103, is amended by adding the following as new subsections (b) and (c) and appropriately redesignating existing subsections (b) and (c):

(b) Upon the filing of a petition by the person desiring to secure such easement or right of way, the court shall appoint an appraiser to conduct an appraisal of the parcel of land or rights therein or incident thereto a portion of which is wanted. The cost of the appraisal shall be borne by the person seeking to appropriate such land. Upon completion, the appraisal shall be filed with the court and within thirty (30) days of the filing, the person seeking to appropriate such land shall post a bond for two (2) times the amount of the appraisal. The appraisal shall be conducted for the sole purpose of determining the amount of the bond and shall not be admissible as evidence.

(c) Upon the request of any party or the court, after the filing of the petition, the person seeking to appropriate such land shall provide a copy of any and all prospective building plans, construction specifications, or similar documents related to the work of internal improvement to take place on the land.

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

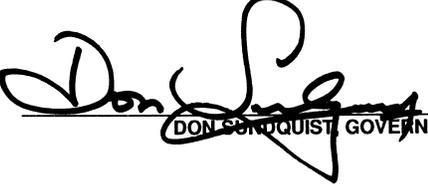
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JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 14th day of June 1999


DON SUNDQUIST, GOVERNOR