

CHAPTER NO. 379

HOUSE BILL NO. 843

By Representatives Wood, Sharp, Vincent, Brown, Clem

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 407

By Senator Fowler

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-8-507, relative to publication of county's proposed annual operating budget.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-8-507, is amended by deleting subsection (a) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of any other law to the contrary, the county commission shall cause to be published the proposed annual operating budget, no later than five (5) days after the budget is presented to the governing body, in a newspaper of general circulation, if the newspaper is published daily. If the newspaper of general circulation is published less frequently than daily, then the commission shall cause the proposed annual operating budget to be published in the first edition for which the deadline for publication falls after the budget is presented to the governing body. No county commission shall approve final adoption of such budget until at least ten (10) days after the budget has been so published. A county may also publish the proposed annual operating budget on the county's Internet web site, which shall be accessible to the public, on the day the budget is presented to the governing body in order to give the public notice of the budget.

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

PASSED: May 29, 2003


JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES


JOHN S. WILDER
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 23rd day of June 2003


PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR