

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 909

By Representatives Maddox, Bone

A RESOLUTION to create a special joint committee to study Tennessee's transportation funding system.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that there is hereby created a special joint committee to study the financial health of Tennessee's transportation funding system.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that during its deliberations, the special joint committee shall study the various sources of federal and state revenue used to fund Tennessee's transportation system, investigate ways and means to enhance such existing sources of revenue, and identify potential new sources of revenue for the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the committee shall consist of twenty (20) members as follows:

Three (3) members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House;

Three (3) members of the Senate, to be appointed by the Speaker of the Senate;

The Chair of the House Transportation Committee;

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One (1) member who shall represent the elected and appointed chief administrative officers of the county highway departments, to be selected by the board of directors of the Tennessee highway officials association;

One (1) member who shall represent the transportation construction industry, to be selected by the Tennessee road builders association;

One (1) member who shall represent Tennessee municipalities to be selected by Tennessee municipal league;

One (1) member who shall represent Tennessee public transportation to be selected by the Tennessee public transportation association;

One (1) member who shall represent Class I railroads to be selected by the board of directors of Tennessee Railroads, Incorporated;

One (1) member who shall represent the barge industry to be selected by the Waterways Council, Inc.;

One (1) member who shall represent the trucking industry to be selected by the Tennessee Truckers Association;

One (1) member who shall represent the Tennessee engineering industry to be selected by the American Council of Engineering Companies;

One (1) member who shall represent highway users to be selected by the the Highway Users Association; and

Three (3) private citizens, one from each grand division, to be appointed by the Governor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all appropriate state agencies shall provide assistance to the special joint committee upon request of the chair. The National Conference of State Legislatures is also requested to provide assistance to the committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all legislative members of the special joint committee who are duly elected members of the General Assembly shall remain members of such committee until the committee reports its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that non-legislative members of the special joint committee shall serve without compensation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the special joint committee shall be convened by the member with the most years of continuous service in the General Assembly, and at its first meeting shall elect from among its legislative membership a chair, vice-chair, and such other officers the committee deems necessary.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the special committee shall timely report its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the One Hundred Sixth General Assembly no later than February 15, 2009, at which time the committee shall cease to exist.

ADOPTED: May 21, 2008



JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED: June 4, 2008



PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR