

STATE OF TENNESSEE

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 53

By Representatives Hardaway, Odom, Mike Turner, Fitzhugh, Moore

and

Senator Burks

A RESOLUTION to study emergency notifications on changeable message signs with digital displays.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, in consultation with the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, the Department of Transportation and the Department of Safety, is hereby urged to study establishing a state-wide, voluntary system for placing federal, state and local emergency notifications on changeable message signs with digital displays and on other electronic signs operated under any permit issued by the Department of Transportation or unit of local government. Any voluntary system established shall include, but is not limited to, notifications for Amber alerts, silver alerts, defense emergencies and weather emergencies. In establishing such voluntary system, the agency shall seek input from representatives of the changeable message sign industry as well as representatives of local law enforcement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency is requested to report all findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the House Judiciary Committee and the Senate Judiciary Committee no later than February 1, 2010.

**ADOPTED: June 8, 2009**



KENT WILLIAMS, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

**APPROVED: June 11, 2009**



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