

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1084
By Kyle

A RESOLUTION To confirm the appointment of Ronnie James to the State Forestry Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, provides for the creation of the State Forestry Commission within the Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, further provides that the Governor shall appoint seven members to that commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Phil Bredesen recently appointed Ronnie James of Hohenwald, Tennessee, to fill a vacancy on the State Forestry Commission caused by the expiration of the term of Eddie Paschall; Mr. James will represent owners of not more than 500 acres as a Board member during a term that will expire on June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James is a long time resident of Lewis County, where he graduated from Lewis County High School in 1964; and

WHEREAS, as a disabled Vietnam veteran, Mr. James served our country in the United States Army from January, 1966 through November, 1967; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James owns less than 500 acres of land held by his family for several generations, and owned and operated a saw mill in Lewis County for over 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James was active in the Tennessee Forestry Association for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James served on the Lewis County Commission for 30 years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. James' record of public service and professional experience would be a tremendous asset to the State Forestry Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 11-4-201, provides that all members appointed to the State Forestry Commission by the Governor shall be subject to confirmation by joint resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby confirm the appointment of Ronnie James, of Hohenwald, Tennessee, to a five (5) year term on the State Forestry Commission, such term to expire on June 30, 2011.