

SENATE BILL 1480

By Bailey

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 46,
Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to the maintenance of
cemeteries.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 46-2-107(a), is amended by deleting the first sentence of the subsection and substituting instead the following language:

Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, upon a majority vote of the legislative body of the local government, the local government may draw upon its general fund and may solicit, receive, and utilize funds from all other sources, public or nonpublic, for the purpose of rehabilitating or maintaining dilapidated or abandoned cemeteries, or portions of cemeteries, subject to the limitations imposed by subsection (b).

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 46-2-107(b), is amended by deleting the subsection and substituting instead the following language:

(b) This section shall not be construed to authorize any local government to utilize funds to maintain cemeteries or portions of cemeteries that are presently maintained adequately or that maintain a sufficient improvement care trust fund pursuant to this chapter and chapter 1 of this title.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 46-2-107, is amended by adding the following language as a new subsection:

() As used in this section, "local government" means any county, municipality, city, or other political subdivision of this state.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.