

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 118

By Ramsey

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Dr. Jason Robinson of Cleveland to the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201, provides for the creation of the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201(a)(1)(A), provides that the Speaker of the Senate shall appoint one member from each grand division of the State to serve on the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201(b)(2), provides that one member from each grand division of the State shall be a citizen of this State who is not employed in the public kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) educational system but who is knowledgeable of education issues in this State; and

WHEREAS, Lieutenant Governor Ron Ramsey, Speaker of the Senate, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201(a)(1)(A), has appointed Dr. Jason Robinson of Cleveland as a member representing East Tennessee on the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission for a term that commences on January 1, 2015, and expires on December 31, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Jason Robinson is an Assistant Professor of Education at Lee University in Cleveland, and a former teacher with the Bradley County Schools, serving from 1997 until 2003 as an intermediate teacher and from 2003 until 2013 as a middle school teacher; and

WHEREAS, a 1996 graduate of Lee University with a Bachelor of Science in Human Development, Dr. Robinson holds a Master of Education in Administration and Supervision from Lincoln Memorial University and a Doctor of Education in Learning and Leadership from the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Tennessee Textbook Commission from 2012 until 2015, Dr. Jason Robinson also rendered sterling service as a member of the Tennessee State Board of Education Advisory Council on Teacher Education and Certification from 2008 until 2012; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his exemplary accomplishments as an educator, Dr. Robinson has received numerous local, state, and national honors, including the National Science Teachers Association Vision of Science Award, the Fitzgerald Excellence in Education Training Award, and the State Farm Good Neighbor Award for Teachers, in addition to being named the 2001 and 2011 Bradley County Schools Teacher of the Year and the 2001 Tennessee Science Teacher of the Year; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Dr. Robinson is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife, Faith, who is a teacher at North Lee Elementary School, and their two children, Noah and Maddie; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-6-2201(d)(1), provides that each member, prior to beginning a term of office, shall be confirmed by Joint Resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Dr. Jason Robinson to the State Textbook and Instructional Materials Quality Commission for a term that commences on January 1, 2015, and expires on December 31, 2016.