

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 713

By Lamberth

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Derwin Sisnett to the Public Charter School Commission.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105, provides for the creation of the Public Charter School Commission; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105(b)(1)(A), provides that the commission be composed of nine members appointed by the governor; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105(c)(3) provides that at least three members from each grand division of the state must serve on the commission; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee, acting pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105, has appointed Derwin Sisnett as a member of the Public Charter School Commission representing West Tennessee for a term that will expire on June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Derwin Sisnett is a partner of Maslow Development, Inc., a real estate and community development firm that advises, designs, and develops mixed-use communities anchored by high-performing schools; and

WHEREAS, prior to his tenure at Maslow Development, Mr. Sisnett co-founded and served as the chief executive officer of Gestalt Community Schools, a charter management organization that develops high-performing, community-based charter schools in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, he holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Emory University and a Master of Fine Arts degree in Creative Writing from Hollins University; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-105(b)(1)(A), provides that each appointed member shall be confirmed by joint resolution of the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED  
ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE  
CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Derwin Sisnett to the Public Charter  
School Commission for a term that will expire on June 30, 2022.