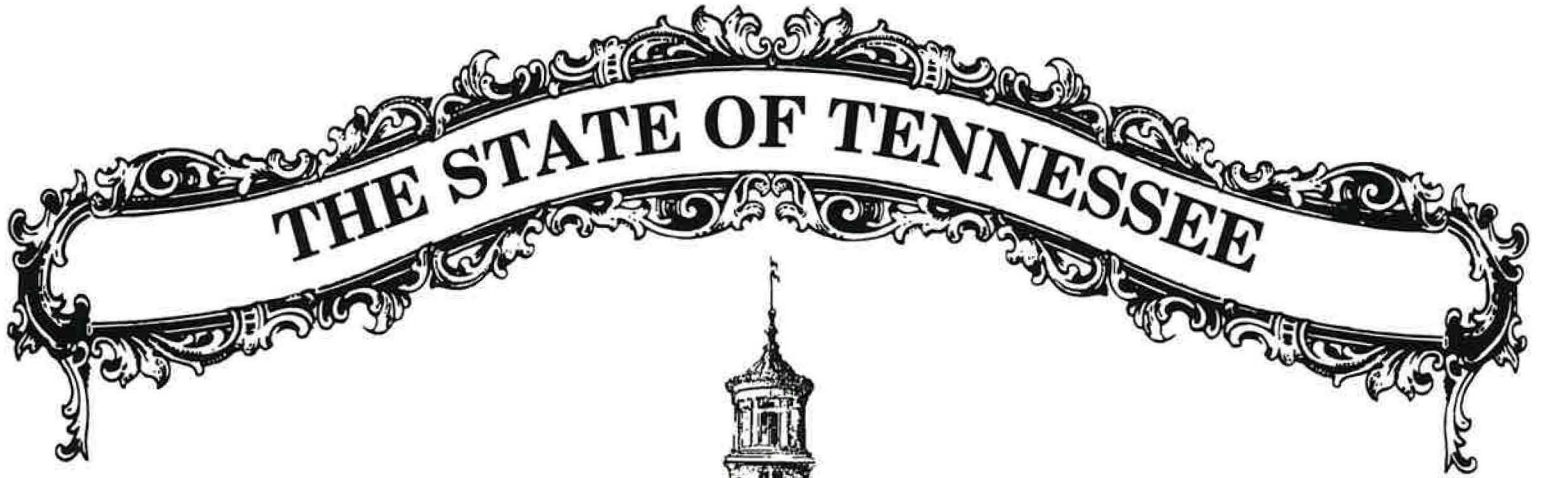




To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

*I, Tre Hargett, Secretary of State of the State of Tennessee,
do hereby certify that the annexed is a true copy of*

Private Chapter No. 60
House Bill No. 2990
Senate Bill No. 2963
113th General Assembly



*the original of which is now on file and a matter
of record in this office. In Testimony Whereof,
I have hereunto subscribed my official signature
and by order of the Governor affixed the Great
Seal of Tennessee at the Department
in the City of Nashville,
this 6th day of May, A.D. 2024.*

Tre Hargett, Secretary of State



State of Tennessee
PRIVATE CHAPTER NO. 60

HOUSE BILL NO. 2990

By Representative Cochran

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 2963

By Senator Lowe

AN ACT to amend Chapter 455 of the Private Acts of 1953; as amended by Chapter 105 of the Private Acts of 1959; Chapter 136 of the Private Acts of 1971; Chapter 60 of the Private Acts of 1977; Chapter 121 of the Private Acts of 1986; Chapter 215 of the Private Acts of 1992; Chapter 180 of the Private Acts of 1994; Chapter 25 of the Private Acts of 1997; Chapter 164 of the Private Acts of 1998; Chapter 83 of the Private Acts of 2000; Chapter 16 of the Private Acts of 2001; Chapter 114 of the Private Acts of 2002; Chapter 92 of the Private Acts of 2004; Chapter 3 of the Private Acts of 2007 and Chapter 7 of the Private Acts of 2019; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the City of Athens.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 455 of the Private Acts of 1953, as amended by Chapter 136 of the Private Acts of 1971, Chapter 121 of the Private Acts of 1986, Chapter 215 of the Private Acts of 1992, Chapter 180 of the Private Acts of 1994, Chapter 164 of the Private Acts of 1998, Chapter 83 of the Private Acts of 2000, Chapter 92 of the Private Acts of 2004, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by adding the following to the end of Article V, Section 2:

Councilpersons shall serve no more than three (3) terms. The three-term limit shall begin with the 2024 and 2026 elections. Furthermore, if a Councilperson was appointed mid-term, then that appointed term shall not count toward the three-term limit prescribed herein.

SECTION 2. Chapter 455 of the Private Acts of 1953, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Article XIX, Section 2 and substituting instead:

Section 2. Be it further enacted, That the Mayor, during a time of an emergency, shall have the authority granted to city mayors pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 58-8-104, as same may be amended from time to time.

SECTION 3. Chapter 455 of the Private Acts of 1953, as amended by Chapter 105 of the Private Acts of 1959, Chapter 136 of the Private Acts of 1971, Chapter 60 of the Private Acts of 1977, Chapter 121 of the Private Acts of 1986, Chapter 215 of the Private Acts of 1992, Chapter 180 of the Private Acts of 1994, Chapter 25 of the Private Acts of 1997, Chapter 164 of the Private Acts of 1998, Chapter 83 of the Private Acts of 2000, Chapter 16 of the Private Acts of 2001, Chapter 114 of the Private Acts of 2002, Chapter 92 of the Private Acts of 2004, Chapter 3 of the Private Acts of 2007, and Chapter 7 of the Private Acts of 2019, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting the term "Councilman" wherever it appears and substituting instead the term "Councilperson" and by deleting the terms "Councilmen" and "councilmen" wherever they appear and substituting instead the term "Councilpersons".

SECTION 4. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of Athens. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 5. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 4.

HOUSE BILL NO. 2990

PASSED: April 4, 2024



CAMERON SEXTON, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RANDY MCNALLY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 23rd day of April 2024



BILL LEE, GOVERNOR

Local Legislative Body



NOTICE TO
LOCAL LEGISLATIVE BODY OF
LEGISLATIVE ACTION ON
PRIVATE ACT

Private Chapter No. 60, which is House
Bill No. 2990, of the 113th General Assembly, was passed on
April 23, 2024.

SECRETARY OF STATE

by: 

Division of Publications
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue
Eighth Floor
William R. Snodgrass Tennessee Tower
Nashville, TN 37243

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 8-3-201 and 8-3-202, the attached is being provided by the Secretary of State. A two-thirds majority of the local legislative body is required for approval. The presiding officer shall complete the attached form, certify within 30 days of action, and return to the Secretary of State, Publications Division at the given address. In the absence of a deadline in the act, failure to approve by December 1 of the year of passage by the General Assembly will render the act null and void. **TO GUARANTEE PROPER AND TIMELY DELIVERY OF YOUR DOCUMENTS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE, PUBLICATIONS DIVISION, A COURIER DELIVERY SERVICE IS RECOMMENDED. (Examples: Overnight Postal, Express Postal, Federal Express, etc.)**

cc: State Senator Adam Lowe
State Representative Mark Cochran

State of Tennessee



The Secretary of State
State Capitol
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0305

Tre Hargett
Secretary of State

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May 6, 2024

The Honorable Steven Sherlin
Mayor, City of Athens
815 North Jackson Street
Athens, TN 37303

Dear Mayor Sherlin,

Enclosed is a certified copy of Private Chapter No. 60 relating to the City of Athens. This legislation was recently passed by the Tennessee General Assembly.

Pursuant to T.C.A. §§ 8-3-201 and 8-3-202, the local legislative body must send notice to the secretary of state of its action by December 1 of the year of passage by the General Assembly. Please see Section 4 of Private Chapter No. 60 for instructions on ratification and notice to the secretary. Notification forms are enclosed for your convenience.

Please feel free to contact me at the number above if you have any questions. You may also contact Mr. Robert Greene, Director of Publications, at 615-741-2650. We are here to assist you in any way.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tre Hargett".

Tre Hargett
Secretary of State

cc: State Senator Adam Lowe
State Representative Mark Cochran

Enclosures



**NOTICE TO SECRETARY OF STATE
OF RATIFICATION OF PRIVATE ACT**

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Private Chapter No. 60, which is House
(Senate or House)

Bill No. 2990 of the 113th General Assembly, (please choose one):

☒ Passed ☐ Failed ☐ No Action Taken

The vote took place on 05/21/2024, and the results were as follows:
Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

4 Votes For

1 Votes Against

 Abstention

(please list number of votes)

Presiding Officer of the Local Legislative Body

Embossed Seal:
(if applicable)

City of Athens

County or City

05/21/2024

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)