

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSION
OF KNOX COUNTY, TENNESSEE,
EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR SENATE
BILL 25 TO RESTORE THE RIGHT TO
JURY TRIAL IN ANNEXATION LAWSUITS.

RESOLUTION: R-05-2-908
REQUESTED BY: COMMISSIONER LEUTHOLD
PREPARED BY: KNOX COUNTY LAW
DIRECTOR

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS: *M. Leuthold*
DIRECTOR OF LAW

APPROVED: *2/28/05* DATE

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WHEREAS, as part of the general reform of Tennessee annexation law, the Legislature decided to remove from persons challenging annexation of their property the right to a jury trial; and

WHEREAS, is the sense of the Knox County Commission that persons wishing to challenge forced annexation should have the option to have their cases heard before a jury; and

WHEREAS, Senator Ketron has introduced Senate Bill 25, which would restore to annexation of litigation plaintiffs the option to have their cases tried before a jury; and

WHEREAS, the Knox County Commission wishes to express its support for this legislation.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF KNOX COUNTY AS FOLLOWS:

That the Knox County Commission hereby urges the members of the Knox County Legislative Delegation, and all the members of the Tennessee Legislature, to support Senate Bill 25, restoring the right to a jury trial to those persons who wish to challenge involuntary annexations of their property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution is to take effect from and after its passage, as provided by the Charter of Knox County, Tennessee, the public welfare requiring it.

Scott Moore
Presiding Officer of the Commission Date

Shirley Poole
County Clerk Date

Approved: Michael R. Reynolds
County Mayor Date

Vetoed: _____
County Mayor Date