

SENATE BILL 1621

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;
Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 12 and
Title 62, relative to construction contracts.

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

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12, Chapter 4, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

(a) Notwithstanding any state law to the contrary, neither the state, its political subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities thereof, or any local government shall require a company bidding on a public construction project to employ individuals who reside within the jurisdiction of the state or local government, unless otherwise required by federal law.

(b) For purposes of this section:

(1) "Local government" means any municipality or county, including a county with a metropolitan form of government; and

(2) "Public construction project" means any construction project wherein state or local government funds may be appropriated or expended for the purpose of erecting, remodeling, altering, repairing, demolishing, or making any addition to any building; or any construction project for the purpose of building, rebuilding, locating, relocating, or repairing any street, highway, or bridge.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.