

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 833

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Lauren Smith 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 Lauren Smith as a member of the Public Charter School Commission representing Middle Tennessee for a term that will expire on June 30, 2028; and

WHEREAS, Lauren Smith has worked in the public education space in Tennessee with a particular focus on charter schools since 2013; she is currently a consultant in the nonprofit and philanthropic sectors and has managed a range of projects with organizations, including SCORE, the Tennessee Department of Education, Communities in Schools, and Building Impact; and

WHEREAS, previously, she served as founding chief of staff for Valor Collegiate Academies, where she helped launch three public charter schools and managed hiring, development, and external affairs for the organization; 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 SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRTEENTH
GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Lauren Smith
to the Public Charter School Commission for a term that will expire on June 30, 2028.