HOUSE BILL 3571

By Womick

AN ACT relative to the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and the Statement of principles for the Sustainable Management of Forests, known as "Agenda 21".

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

SECTION 1. As used in this act, "political subdivision" means all state, county, incorporated city, unincorporated city, public local entity, public-private partnership, or any other public entity thereof.

SECTION 2. The state of Tennessee and all political subdivisions shall not adopt, nor implement, the creed, doctrine, principles, or any tenet of the United Nations Rio Declaration on Environment and Development and the Statement of principles for Sustainable Development known as "Agenda 21", adopted at the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (UNCED), held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 3 to 14 June 1992, or any other international law contravening the United States Constitution or the Tennessee State Constitution.

SECTION 3. Since the United Nations has enlisted the support of numerous independent, shadow organizations to surreptitiously implement "Agenda 21" around the world, the state of Tennessee and all political subdivisions are prohibited from implementing programs of, expending any sum of money for, being a member of, receiving funding from, contracting services from, or giving financial or other forms of aid to the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), or any of its related or affiliated organizations to include, but not limited to, Countdown 2010, Local Action for Biodiversity (LAB), European Center for Nature Conservation (ECNC), the International Union for Conservation of Nature (ICUN), and the

President's Council on Sustainable Development (PCSD), enacted on July 19, 1993, Executive Order #12852.

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.