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# MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Commission Members

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**DATE:** 10 June 2015

**SUBJECT:** Commission and Staff Update

## **Commission Update**

Several new members have been appointed to the commission since our January meeting.

### Legislative:

Representative Harold Love Jr. serves on the House Business and Utilities Committee, the House Calendar and Rules Committee, the House Education Instruction and Programs Committee, and the House Education Instruction and Programs Subcommittee.

Representative Tim Wirgau chairs the House Local Government Committee, and serves on the House Business and Utilities Committee, the House Calendar and Rules Committee, the House Local Government and Subcommittee, and the Joint Fiscal Review Committee.

Senator Jeff Yarbro serves on the Senate Health and Welfare Committee, the Senate Rules Committee, and the Senate Transportation and Safety Committee.

# Municipal:

Mayor Tom Bickers has been Mayor of Louisville, Tennessee since 2010 and Mr. Bickers maintains a law practice with Paine Bickers, LLC in Knoxville where he has practiced law since 1989.

#### **Private Citizens:**

Kenneth Young is a native of Franklin, Tennessee, and a partner with the law firm of Buerger, Moseley and Carson, PLC. Mr. Young is replacing Mr. Rozelle Criner.

Christi Gibbs was campaign manager for Governor Haslam and has served as chief of staff to First Lady Chrissy Haslam. Ms. Gibbs is replacing Mr. Tommy Schumpert.

## **Staff Update**

Tyler Carpenter joined our staff in April 2015. Mr. Carpenter is a graduate of Trevecca Nazarene University with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration and will receive his master's degree in Public Administration in August. Mr. Carpenter interned with TACIR during the summer of 2014, and now serves as a full time research associate.

April Scivally joined our staff in May 2015. Ms. Scivally is a graduate of Tennessee State University with a bachelor's degree in Political Science. She joined the United States Army Reserves in 1989 and served with the 678<sup>th</sup> Personnel Service Company during Desert Storm. She is now our office manager, replacing Sharon Greenfield who accepted a position as Human Resources manager with TennCare in April.

In addition, Chris Aldridge left state government to pursue a career with a private law firm, and Nathan Shaver is now a litigation attorney for TennCare.