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Please feel free to contact us if you have questions or comments regarding this information or any other CTAS website material.

Sincerely,

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Even though all counties are eligible to exercise the powers in T.C.A. § 6-2-201(22) and (23), a county may not pass any such regulations pursuant to that authority unless it first adopts those powers by a resolution passed by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of the county legislative body. Also, Chapter 57 of the Public Acts of 2003 clarified that the county must not only pass such a resolution by a two-thirds (2/3) majority but also must pass any subsequent regulations by a two-thirds (2/3) majority. T.C.A. § 5-1- 118.

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