AN ACT  To amend Tennessee Annotated Code relative to the Statewide “Go Green” for public schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE 2010 TENNESSEE 4-H CONGRESS:

SECTION 1: This act shall be known as the Tennessee Schools “Go Green” Act.

SECTION 2: This act recognizes the environmental impact of recycling paper to produce new paper; and cites the use of recyclable paper in new paper production to save approximately 30,000 tons of water and over 3,000 KWH of electricity per ton on paper. In addition, there would be a 95% reduction in air pollution through the process of recycling versus standard paper production.

SECTION 3: This act shall ensure an efficient and productive environment for all Tennessee Schools while considering the implications of natural resource depletion.

SECTION 4: The Tennessee Schools Go Green Act states that by 2013, all Tennessee schools must provide recycling containers for a minimum of two classes of recyclable materials.

SECTION 5: This act requires that all Tennessee public schools declare paper as one of the two required classes of recyclable materials.

SECTION 6: This act requires that paper products used in the schools be made from recyclable materials in an effort to reduce the amount of resources used by manufacturing new paper products.

SECTION 7: Recycling collection bins will be provided to each school, along with a means of transporting collected materials to recycling centers.

SECTION 8: Failure to comply will result in the following penalties:

(A) First offense $500.00 fine to the school
(B) Second offense $750.00 fine to the school
(C) Third offense $1000.00 fine to the school
SECTION 9: All laws in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

SECTION 10: This act shall become effective upon passage by the legislature and approval by the Governor or upon its otherwise becoming a law.

Passed: _____________________
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Speaker of the Senate
Tennessee 4-H Congress

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Speaker of the House of Representatives
Tennessee 4-H Congress

Approved: _____________________
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Governor
Tennessee 4-H Congress