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**Prioritizing Support for the State Energy Program**

**Sponsor**

Commissioner David Salyers, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

**WHEREAS**, the Southern States Energy Board supports an “all of the above” energy policy and strategy; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Energy Program has been a state-federal partnership for over forty years; and

**WHEREAS**, there is a critical need to support robust state-directed energy policies and programs, based on each state’s unique circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, such policies support all forms of generation, as well as energy efficiency and conservation programs; and

**WHEREAS**, energy security, physical security, and cybersecurity are an increasing concern for our region and our Nation; and

**WHEREAS**, the State Energy Program has a history of supporting citizens, farmers, industry, and businesses of all types within our region and across the states and territories with flexible approaches; and

**WHEREAS**, the support for important state-directed energy policies and programs has long been a hallmark of the activities of the Southern States Energy Board.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Southern States Energy Board calls on Congress and the Administration to prioritize support for appropriations and reauthorization of the State Energy Program; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Southern States Energy Board directs its staff to continue to support the State Energy Program.