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Tennessee Capitol Report for March 26th Tracks the Progress and Debate over Governor Haslam's Improve Act

Memphis, Tennessee, March 22, 2017 – TENNESSEE CAPITOL REPORT continues its third season as a 30-minute show on Tennessee's Public Television stations this Sunday. Shot on location at the State Capitol in Nashville, the show offers in-depth interviews and behind-the-scenes video covering Tennessee's Legislature.

This weekend, airing on Sunday morning, March 26th, the program tracks the progress and debate over Governor Haslam's Improve Act to fund transportation projects and other issues. Featured on this episode are:

Sen. Jim Tracy (R-Shelbyville), Senate Speaker Pro Tempore & former Transportation Committee Chair
Rep. Ryan Williams (R-Cookeville), House Republican Caucus Chair

Providing a Democratic response to the 2017 session are:

Rep. Craig Fitzhugh (D-Ripley), House Democratic Leader
Sen. Jeff Yarbrow (D-Nashville), Senate Democratic Caucus Chair

Also appearing on the show is Rep. Charles Sargent (R-Franklin). Sargent is the Chairman of the House Finance, Ways, & Means Committee and he will discuss Medicaid reform in Congress and its potential impact on TennCare and the state budget. A documentary piece also pays tribute to the late Sen. Douglas Henry (D-Nashville) who served in the senate for 44 years and passed away on March 5th.

"The show covers a lot of ground," said producer Tim Weeks. "But we know viewers are most interested in the Improve Act as the General Assembly considers raising the gas tax while cutting other taxes, such as the tax on food."



Sen. Jim Tracy (L)



Rep. Ryan Williams (L)

Produced to offer Tennesseans insight into the issues and personalities guiding the General Assembly, TENNESSEE CAPITOL REPORT is hosted by TV and radio personality Chip Hoback and produced by award-winning producer Tim Weeks of TWAPictures in Nashville.

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Host Chip Hoback

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TENNESSEE CAPITOL REPORT airs as follows:

WKNO/Memphis	Sunday, March 26 at 10:00 AM (CT)
WNPT/Nashville	Sunday, March 26 at 9:00 AM (CT)
East Tennessee PBS/Knoxville	Sunday, March 26 at 9:00 AM (ET)
WTCI/Chattanooga	Sunday, March 26 at 9:00 AM (ET)
WLJT/Lexington-Jackson	Sunday, March 26 at 10:30 AM (CT)
WCTE/Cookeville	Sunday, March 26 at 10:30 AM (CT)

ONLINE viewing is also available after the initial television broadcast on YouTube, which is linked at these station web sites:

www.WKNO.org

www.WTCITV.org

www.WNPT.org

www.WLJT.org

www.EastTennesseePBS.org

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