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## **Tennessee Capitol Report for May 21<sup>st</sup> Highlights the 2017 session of the 110<sup>th</sup> General Assembly including bills that Governor Haslam has signed into law**

**Memphis, Tennessee, May 17, 2017** – TENNESSEE CAPITOL REPORT concludes 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, May 21<sup>st</sup>, the program highlights the 2017 session of the 110<sup>th</sup> General Assembly and several bills which Governor Haslam has now signed into law. Featured on this episode are:

Sen. Mark Norris, (R-Collierville), Senate Republican Leader – Improve Act  
Sen. Bo Watson (R-Hixson), Chair, Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee – State Budget  
Sen. Mike Bell (R-Riceville) – Broadband Access  
Rep. David Hawk (R-Greeneville) – Broadband Access  
Sen. Jack Johnson (R-Franklin) – Pre-emption of Local Drug Possession Decriminalization  
Sen. Joey Hensely (R-Hohenwald) – 20-Week Abortion Limits

Also on the show is a feature segment about the resolution calling for the removal of President James K. Polk’s tomb from the capitol grounds to his ancestral home in Columbia, TN. The resolution passed the Senate in March, but the House has postponed consideration to January 2018.

“There is something for everybody in this week’s show,” said producer Tim Weeks. “The ending of the session illustrated some of the divisions among House Republicans on tax and spending issues, but the 110<sup>th</sup> General Assembly found a way to address Tennessee’s transportation needs while advancing education and safety in this year’s budget.”



Sen. Mark Norris



Sen. Bo Watson

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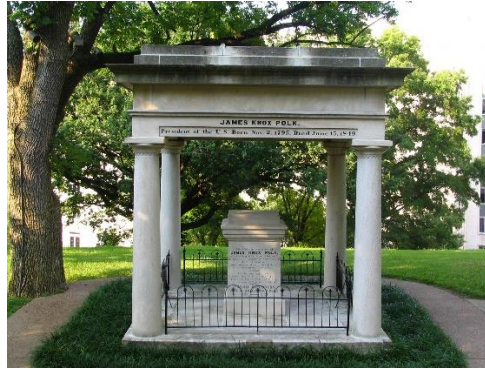
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Produced to offer Tennesseans insight into the issues and personalities guiding the General Assembly, TENNESSEE CAPITOL REPORT is hosted by TV and radio personality Chip Hoback and produced by award-winning producer Tim Weeks of TWAPictures in Nashville.



Host Chip Hoback



James K. Polk Tomb, Nashville, TN

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**TENNESSEE CAPITOL REPORT** airs as follows:

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 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 9:30 AM (CT)  |

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[www.WKNO.org](http://www.WKNO.org)

[www.WTCITV.org](http://www.WTCITV.org)

[www.WNPT.org](http://www.WNPT.org)

[www.WLJT.org](http://www.WLJT.org)

[www.EastTennesseePBS.org](http://www.EastTennesseePBS.org)

[www.WCTE.org](http://www.WCTE.org)

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