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Dr. William (Bill) Brown

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Bill's ability to lead through building consensus is one of his numerous talents that characterize his success in many different venues. When Bill talks, people listen and more importantly *he listens to them*. Regionally Bill has served the Southern Association of Agricultural Experiment Station Directors in many capacities, including Chair of the Multistate Research Committee from 2002-2006, Chair of SAAESD in 2014, and as Administrative Advisor to numerous multistate projects. Nationally he has served ESCOP on several committees; including Science & Technology, Budget & Legislative, NRSP-1 Technical Committee, Chair's Advisory Committee, and ESCOP Executive. Bill is currently Chair of the ESCOP Budget & Legislative Committee and co-Chair of the ECOP/ESCOP Impact Database Steering Committee. He also serves as ESCOP's representative to the BAA Budget & Advocacy Committee, ECOP's Innovation Committee, and NIFA's One Solution Stakeholder Group. Bill is fully committed to the Land-grant tripartite mission and works collaboratively with his Extension and academic programs colleagues. His open, friendly manner helps to put others at ease and is very conducive to bringing diverse groups to mutually beneficial solutions.

Bill, an animal scientist, ruminant nutritionist by training, has served as Dean for Research and Director at the University of Tennessee, Institute of Agriculture since 2008. Previously he was Assistant Dean and Assistant Director of the Florida Agricultural Experiment Station, as well as Director of the Tropical and Subtropical Agriculture Research Program at the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. Bill has published widely in both the scientific and trade literature and has served in editorial and review capacity for a number of

scholarly publications, including the Journal of Animal Science and the Journal of Production Agriculture.

He received his undergraduate degree at the University of Florida in 1977; his Master's degree at the University of Tennessee in 1979, and Ph.D. from the University of Nebraska in 1983.