

# FISCAL NOTE

## HB 2335 - SB 2652

February 5, 2000

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a felony offense of exploitation of an elderly person or disabled adult. A person commits this offense if one stands in a position of trust and through deception or intimidation obtains the funds, assets, or property of an elderly or disabled person or knows the person lacks the capacity to consent and obtains funds, assets, or property. The offense will be punished and graded as theft; however, in no event will the offense be less than a Class E felony. Persons convicted will be included in the registry maintained by the Department of Health of persons who have abused, neglected or misappropriated funds of vulnerable individuals.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$27,000/Incarceration\***

Assumes two Class E and two Class D felony convictions each year.

\*Section 9-6-119, TCA, requires that: *For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law.*

### CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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