

# FISCAL NOTE

## SB 519 - HB 541

March 31, 1999

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires each juvenile court, and any other court exercising juvenile court jurisdiction, to establish a youth mentoring program. The court will establish guidelines for the program, the mentors, and the organizations participating in the program. A child adjudicated unruly, dependent, neglected, or delinquent may be ordered by the court to participate in the community mentoring program. The court may also order a specified term of probation, as used herein means casework services for the protection, guidance, and well-being of the child and the child's family. The Department of Children's Services, in coordination with local community agencies, will develop and encourage employment for children. The court may charge a juvenile offender who participates in a youth mentoring program a fee to offset cost.

### ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures\* - \$3,697,200 Recurring  
\$351,000 One-Time**

**Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant**  
**Increase State Expenditures - \$800,900 Recurring  
\$72,000 One-Time**

**Other Fiscal Impact-Increase Federal Expenditures - \$533,900 Recurring  
\$48,000 One-Time**

Assumes salaries, benefits, and operating expenses to staff each juvenile court to operate a youth mentoring program and staff for the Department of Children's Services for extending probation case management services and developing an employment program.

\*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

### CERTIFICATION:

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



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