

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 3187 - SB 3556**

March 2, 2006

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation (TDOT) to educate citizens in populated areas of the state about the benefits of mass transit in such areas to alleviate traffic congestion, decrease automotive pollution and reduce energy costs.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant – Highway Fund**

Assumptions:

- According to TDOT, the department is currently educating the public about the benefits of mass transit.
- As part of this education agenda, TDOT has published a document entitled “Tennessee Transit Tomorrow – A Public Transportation Plan for 2025.”
- Two areas considered populated for purposes of this bill are Memphis and Nashville.
- TDOT conducts one public seminar for each populated area each year.
- The cost of conducting two seminars per year would be considered as not significant.
- As a result, the increase of state expenditures is estimated as not significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "W".

James W. White, Executive Director