

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 3383 - SB 3715

February 10, 2010

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes Davidson County to adopt ordinances to petition a general sessions court to provide for the disposition of dangerous dogs or dogs causing death or serious bodily injury to humans or other animals.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Currently any dog that attacks a human and causes death or serious injury may be destroyed upon the order of the judge of the circuit court of the county where the attack occurred. Such orders are granted on the petition of the district attorney general for the county.
- Shelby County is the only county with this authority. Expanding this authority will result in a not significant decrease in state expenditures due to fewer cases being heard in circuit court and a not significant increase in local expenditures due to hearing additional cases in general sessions courts.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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