

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 910 – HB 1729

April 26, 2011

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (007168):** Deletes the original bill. Prohibits the sale or distribution of electronic cigarettes to, or purchases of electronic cigarettes on behalf of, a person under the age of 18. Defines “electronic cigarette” as an electronic device that converts nicotine into a vapor that is inhaled by the user.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- The Class B misdemeanor offense and the civil penalty created in the original bill were estimated to have a not significant impact on state or local government; therefore, deleting the offense and the penalty will not change the estimated fiscal impact.
- The Department of Agriculture, pursuant to the Prevention of Youth Access to Tobacco Act of 1994, routinely checks locations that sell cigarettes to ensure such products are not being sold to minors. Adding electronic cigarettes to the list of prohibited products will not have a significant impact on the Department.
- There will not be a sufficient increase in the number of violations for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

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

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

James W. White, Executive Director

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