

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL MEMORANDUM**

**HB 2962 – SB 2826**

February 27, 2012

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013459):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires a court ordered inpatient evaluation to determine the mental health capacity of an individual charged with a misdemeanor to be completed within 30 days of admission to the facility.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:**

Increase State Expenditures – Net Impact - \$231,900

Increase Local Expenditures – Net Impact - \$295,400

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

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- According to the Department of Mental Health (DMH), there were 481 outpatient evaluations that were referred for an inpatient evaluation in FY10-11. Eighteen percent, or 87, of the evaluations were for misdemeanor offenses.
- According to DMH, the average length of stay for an inpatient evaluation is 21 days.
- Since the current average for inpatient evaluations is less than the limit set in the proposed legislation, there will not be a significant change in the current expenditures of state or local governments.

**CERTIFICATION:**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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