

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 3145 - HB 3579

February 29, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the requirement that a health care provider must report certain injuries to appropriate law enforcement officials and the district attorney general if the victim is 18 years of age or older, is a victim of a sexual assault or domestic abuse, and objects to the release of any identifying information to law enforcement officials. Requires the provider to make a report of aid without providing any identifying information of the victim, unless a written consent of the victim is obtained. Excludes injuries inflicted by a knife, pistol, gun, or other deadly weapon from the provisions of this bill.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation will not result in a significant regulatory or fiscal impact to the Department of Health (DOH) or health-related boards.
- Notification to health care providers of the provisions of this legislation can be accomplished through DOH's online newsletters and will not result in a significant fiscal impact.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2011, the Division of Health Related Boards had a cumulative balance of \$10,859,982.82.

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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