

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 243 - SB 496

March 7, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the local board of education to assign each student in the custody of the Department of Children's Services (DCS) to a public school pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-3102. Requires local education agencies (LEAs), upon written request by DCS, to send school records of students in DCS custody within five business days. Requires any student placed in DCS custody to remain enrolled in the public school the student attended prior to entering custody; provided that DCS has authority to make a determination on whether keeping the student in the same school is in the best interest of the student. Authorizes the guardian ad litem, or attorney of any student, to petition the local school board for a student to be assigned to a different public school.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Any change in the number of students enrolling in a specific LEA as a result of a transfer petition being granted is estimated to be not significant.
- Any fiscal impact on the Basic Education Program (BEP) funding formula is estimated to be not significant.
- Any increase in local expenditures for LEAs to send student records to DCS is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

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

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Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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