

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 440 - SB 561

February 17, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires dogs and cats, which are diagnosed with or suspected of having rabies, to be securely confined or kept on a lease while being transported in the state.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-8-108, all cats or dogs in the state are required to be securely confined or kept on a leash when transporting. This bill would remove the requirement for all dogs and cats, except those diagnosed with or suspected of having rabies.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-8-113, any person in violation of Title 68 commits a Class C misdemeanor; however it is assumed there will not be a sufficient increase or decrease in the number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase or decrease in revenue or expenditures.
- According to the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health, the bill will not fiscally impact either Department.

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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