

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 243 - HB 548

February 17, 2013

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a judgment debtor whose wages have been garnished to notify the judgment creditor who filed the writ of garnishment within 10 days of obtaining new employment. Failure to notify shall be punished as contempt of court.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), the bill will not have a significant impact on state courts.
- Most garnishments are filed in local courts. The bill may impact the caseloads of general sessions courts due to an increase in contempt proceedings, but the fiscal impact would not be significant.
- Local courts may need to prepare new forms for writs of garnishments, but the fiscal impact would not be significant.

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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