

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**CORRECTED
FISCAL NOTE**

SB 1722 - HB 1765

February 3, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the requirement that the DeKalb Telephone Cooperative hold an election on voting machines and under the supervision of the local election commission for elections to its board of directors that are contested.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Public Chapter 446 of 2013 requires any fiscal note attached to a bill referred to the Business and Utilities Committee and the Insurance and Banking Committee of the House of Representatives and the Commerce and Labor Committee of the Senate to include an Impact to Commerce Statement beginning January 1, 2014. This fiscal note is being corrected to include an Impact to Commerce Statement. The fiscal analysis of the original fiscal note dated January 29, 2014 has not changed.

Decrease Local Expenditures - Exceeds \$4,000

Assumptions:

- According to the Division of Elections of the Department of State, the provisions of the bill will not fiscally impact the state or local election commissions.
- The DeKalb Telephone Cooperative contracts with the local election commission for usage of voting machines for contested elections.
- According to information provided by the DeKalb Telephone Cooperative, a contested race has occurred in three of the last four years and the cost of each has varied from \$4,000 to \$10,000.
- It is estimated the provisions of this legislation will result in a decrease to local government expenditures exceeding \$4,000.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

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Assumption:

- The provisions of this legislation are applicable to the elections of one telephone cooperative board of directors; therefore, any impact to commerce throughout the state is estimated to be not 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". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and "G".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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