

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1967 - HB 2117

March 2, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates a cause of action for making a bad faith assertion of patent infringement. An individual can bring the cause of action, or it can be brought by the Attorney General, which is given authority to enforce the chapter.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, the proposed legislation will not significantly impact the courts.
- It is assumed that most actions will be brought by an individual who receives a demand letter sent in bad faith. It is assumed that any impact upon the Attorney General can be accommodated within existing resources.

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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