

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2087 - HB 2087

February 28, 2014

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits any governmental entity from obtaining the location information of an electronic device without a search warrant except under certain circumstances. Creates a Class C Misdemeanor for violation of the provisions of the legislation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant

Increase Local Revenue – Not Significant

Other Fiscal Impact - Due to unknown variables, a precise mandatory increase in local government expenditures cannot accurately be determined.

Assumptions:

- According to the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, the provisions of the bill will increase administrative duties for search warrants when obtaining the location information of an electronic device; however any cost can be accommodated within existing resources and by existing personnel.
- According to the Department of Safety, any cost associated with the bill is estimated to be not significant.
- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, the provisions of the bill will not result in any significant fiscal impact to the state court system.
- According to Court Clerks, the County Technical Assistance Service, and the Municipal Technical Advisory Service, the provisions of the bill will not result in any significant impact to local government.
- Based on information provided by the Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police, the provisions of the bill will increase the time to obtain a search warrant, which will result in an increase in local government expenditures for man hours. However, due to multiple unknown variables such as the cost for each man hour, the extent of new warrants required, and the extent of man hours that will be required for each warrant, a precise mandatory increase in local government expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.
- Any additional fine revenue collected by local government as a result of violation is estimated to be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

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



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