

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2494 – SB 2575

February 8, 2016

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Provides that juvenile actions can be initiated by issuing a citation. Clarifies procedures related to delinquent or unruly juvenile proceedings and dependent and neglect proceedings under Tenn. Code Ann. § 37-1-117 (*Investigation and release or commitment – Petition – Hearings*). Requires additional information to be included in a petition if reasonably ascertainable.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012061):** Changes two incorrect code references in the original bill without making any substantive changes.

**FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:**

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The bill modernizes the current procedures in juvenile courts. The bill will not increase the number or complexity of juvenile proceedings.
- It is assumed that the bill will not significantly impact the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) or the Department of Children's Services (DCS).
- AOC and DCS confirm that the bill will not significantly impact their operations.

**CERTIFICATION:**

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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