

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 2147 – SB 2098

March 4, 2016

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Requires the principal of each public school to allow representatives of a patriotic society to speak with students during the regular school day in order to inform students about the civic engagement activities of the society and give students an opportunity to join the organization. The society shall be allowed one day at the beginning of the academic year to speak to students for 10 minutes. The society shall also provide written notification of their intent to speak to students. Requires the principal of each school to provide written approval for the specific time and date that the society shall be allowed to address students.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013049):** Deletes and rewrites the bill such that the only substantive changes are: (1) to redefine a “patriotic society” or “society” as a youth membership organization with an educational purpose that aligns with the current curriculum standards and promotes civic involvement; (2) to require such societies to provide verbal or written notice of an organization’s intent to speak to students; and (3) to authorize a principal to provide verbal approval of the specific date and time that the society shall be allowed to address students.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- These activities will be incorporated into the normal school-day schedule at the beginning of each academic year.
- No fiscal impact on state or local government.

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**CERTIFICATION:**

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



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