

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1436 – HB 1413

March 6, 2016

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Requires the court, prior to ordering a custody arrangement, to determine whether any person to be awarded custody has been placed on the Department of Health’s vulnerable person’s registry. The court will consider any placement on the registry as a factor in determining placement in the child’s best interest.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013314):** Deletes all language of the original bill. Requires a petition regarding child custody to include an affirmative statement stating whether or not the child has been the subject of an investigation by child protective services (CPS) or whether any involved party has been investigated by the Department of Children’s Services (DCS) or another investigative or law enforcement agency regarding any child. If a CPS investigation has occurred, the court is authorized to order DCS to disclose information regarding the investigation to protect the child from abuse or neglect. The court will consider any such information as a factor in determining placement in the child’s best interest.

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

**Unchanged from the original fiscal note.**

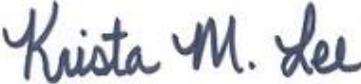
Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, requiring the Department to disclose information to protect the child from abuse or neglect will not significantly impact their operations.
- Based on information provided by the Department of Children’s Services, any impact to the Department will be not significant.

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**CERTIFICATION:**

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



Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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