

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1775 – SB 1969

March 12, 2016

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes the garnishment of earnings, compensation, and wages of independent contractors when a judgement has been issued.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012713): Deletes and rewrites the bill making technical changes without any substantive changes.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 26-2-102 defines “earnings” and “disposable earnings” for the purpose of garnishment. The bill adds definitions for “employee” and “employer” that would effectively subject to potential garnishment the wages and earnings of independent contractors.
- There is insufficient data on the number of state or local agencies that contract with independent contractors. However, it is assumed that any impact to the operations of state and local government will not be significant, and that any impact from the bill can be accommodated within existing resources.
- Any other impact resulting from the bill will be borne by private parties.

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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