

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1487 – SB 1697

March 21, 2016

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Creates a Class C misdemeanor offense for operating a motor vehicle within a bicycle lane; authorizes motor vehicle use of bicycle lanes only when legally parking the motor vehicle or turning into a highway, road, drive, or driveway. Prohibits overtaking or passing another vehicle by using a bicycle lane or other portion of the roadway set aside for the exclusive use of bicycles.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014714): Deletes and rewrites the bill such that the only substantive change is the addition of language stating that no language in the legislation shall preempt or otherwise affect any local ordinance or resolution governing parking, stopping, or standing of motor vehicles in bicycle lanes that is more restrictive than the language specified in the bill as amended and removes the Class C misdemeanor for an offense, instead making the first offense punishable by a warning with second and subsequent offenses being punishable by fine only.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

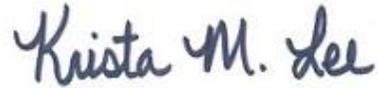
- Based on information from the Department of Safety, the bill as amended will not have a significant impact on the operations of the department; therefore any fiscal impact on the department will be not significant.
- Drivers that operate motor vehicles outside of designated lanes of traffic, when not authorized to do so, could be issued citations for another violation which are codified under Tenn. Code Ann., Title 55, Chapter 8, Part 1 (Operation of Vehicles – Rules of the Road).

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- There will not be a sufficient number of fines issued pursuant to the provisions of this bill as amended for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

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". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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