

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1775 – SB 1969

March 22, 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 (014782): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Rewrites Tenn. Code Ann. § 26-2-214 to remove references to “employer” and adds a subsection to Tenn. Code Ann. § 26-2-214 expressly providing that nothing in Tenn. Code Ann. § 26-2-214 shall be construed to affect the underlying relationship of the judgement debtor and garnishee.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The bill as amended would authorize garnishment of earnings due from a garnishee, which would authorize garnishment of earnings owed to an independent contractor.
- 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 legislation can be accommodated within existing resources.
- Any other impact resulting from the legislation 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

/trm

HB 1775 – SB 1969