

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 1436 – HB 1413

April 19, 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 (016035): Deletes all language of the original bill. Requires a petition regarding child custody to include an affirmative statement setting out all applicable adjudications if the petitioner knows whether a child has ever been adjudicated by a court as a dependent and neglected or abused child or whether any party to the action has ever been adjudicated by a court as the perpetrator of dependency and neglect or abuse of a minor child. If an adjudication has occurred as a result of a child protective services investigation, the court is authorized to order the Department of Children's Services (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.

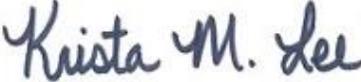
Assumptions for the bill as amended:

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

SB 1436 – HB 1413

CERTIFICATION:

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



Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

/jem