

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 209 - SB 353

February 15, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes freight motor vehicles to park on the shoulder of any highway entrance ramp for up to 12 hours, under certain circumstances, provided that the vehicle does not obstruct the passage of other vehicles. Defines “freight motor vehicle” as a truck-tractor in combination with a semitrailer, twin trailer or trailer.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent any damages occur as a result of a freight motor vehicle parking on the shoulder of a highway entrance ramp permitted as result of this bill, there will be an increase in state expenditures estimated to exceed \$23,000. To the extent no damages occur, the fiscal impact of the bill is considered not significant.

Assumptions:

- The Department of Safety confirms there is no operational impact that will affect their expenditures.
- The Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) has indicated this bill may cause an increase in state expenditures as a result of damages to pavement structures.
- TDOT indicates a total of 1,000 entrance ramps would be able to facilitate freight motor vehicle parking.
- Based on information provided by TDOT, the cost to repair the shoulders of an entrance ramp where damages have been caused as a result of freight motor vehicles parking on such entrance ramp pursuant to this bill is estimated to exceed \$23,000.

CERTIFICATION:

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jeffrey L. Spalding".

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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