

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 682 - SB 774

March 6, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes new minimum requirements for phrases and symbols on signs prohibiting firearms in a corporation, business entity or local, state or federal government entity. Declares the sign shall include the phrase "NO FIREARMS ALLOWED", and the phrase shall measure at least one inch (1") high and eight inches (8") wide and shall also include the phrase "As authorized by T.C.A. § 39-17-1359". The sign shall include a pictorial representation of the phrase "NO FIREARMS ALLOWED" that shall include a red circle with a red diagonal line through the circle and a black image of a firearm inside the red circle under the diagonal line.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

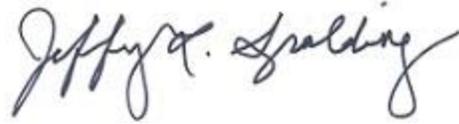
Assumptions:

- The Department of Safety (DOS) confirms this bill will have no fiscal impact on departmental operations.
- The County Technical Advisory Service (CTAS) confirms this bill will have no fiscal impact on local operations.
- Given the proposed size requirements for new signs as specified in the bill, the majority of such new signs will be laminated paper signs using standard size (8" x 11") paper stock produced with color copiers and laminating machines. The cost for any entity to post a new sign is estimated to be not significant and can be accomplished within existing resources without an increased appropriation or a reduced reversion.
- The bill provides any individual, corporation, business entity, or government entity that, as of January 1, 2015, used signs to provide notice of the prohibition permitted by Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1359(a) shall have until January 1, 2018, to replace existing signs with signs that meet the requirements of the bill. Given that such entities will have approximately 30 months from the effective date of this bill (July 1, 2015) to comply, it is assumed new signs as proposed by the bill will be accomplished in the normal course of business.

CERTIFICATION:

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

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