

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 1657 - SB 2350**

February 13, 2016

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes municipalities, counties, and metropolitan governments, by local ordinance or resolution, to prohibit smoking on the grounds of any property owned by such entities.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase Local Expenditures - Exceeds \$5,500 /Permissive**

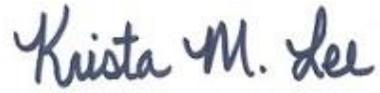
Assumptions:

- Municipalities, counties, and metropolitan governments are not required to adopt an ordinance or resolution prohibiting smoking.
- According to information from local sources, using Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1803(a) (commonly known as The Non-Smokers Protection Act), all local government entities ban smoking inside government buildings and many ban smoking within a specified distance of doors to local government buildings.
- The provisions of this bill authorize local entities to extend smoking bans to all local government owned properties.
- The fiscal impact is dependent upon multiple unknown factors including the number of cities and counties that will adopt an ordinance or resolution and the number of properties within in each city or county adopting an ordinance or resolution.
- Local governments that pass such an ordinance or resolution will use signs to notify the public of the prohibition pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1805(a).
- There are an estimated 440 local entities that will be eligible to adopt an ordinance or resolution to prohibit smoking on their grounds.
- At least 10 percent of eligible local entities will adopt an ordinance or resolution prohibiting smoking on local government-owned property resulting in an estimated 44 (440 x 10.0%) local governments.
- Signs are estimated to cost an average of \$25 each and each local government will post at least 5 signs. The permissive one-time increase in local expenditures is estimated to exceed \$5,500 [(\$25 x 5) x 44].
- No fiscal impact on state government.

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**CERTIFICATION:**

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

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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