

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2116 - SB 2592**

February 28, 2016

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits victims of domestic abuse, minor children, and innocent occupants from being evicted from a rental property if eviction is taking place because an offense of domestic abuse, as defined by Tenn. Code Ann. § 36-6-601, has occurred on the property. Requires that only the individual who committed the crime of domestic abuse be subject to an eviction action.

Authorizes a landlord to remove an individual who committed domestic abuse from an existing lease agreement and to require the remaining occupants to execute a new agreement for the remainder of the lease term.

Authorizes the landlord to require a domestic violence victim to agree, in writing, not to permit a guest or other person who has committed domestic abuse to return to the premises of the rental property for the remainder of the tenancy. A violation of such agreement shall be cause to terminate the tenancy of the victim.

The forgoing provisions do not preclude the eviction of a victim of domestic abuse for nonpayment of rent, a lease violation, or any violation of laws governing forcible entry and detainer.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- According to the Administrative Office of the Courts, the provisions of the bill will not result in a significant increase in caseloads. Any fiscal impact to the court system is estimated to be not significant.
- According to local government sources, the provisions of the bill will have no fiscal impact on local government.
- Any fiscal impact resulting from the provisions of the bill will be borne by private individuals.

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**IMPACT TO COMMERCE:**

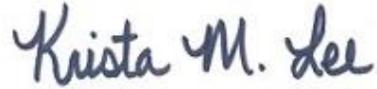
**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- The provisions of this bill will not impact commerce or jobs in Tennessee.

**CERTIFICATION:**

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



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