

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 135

January 30, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Urges the Department of Transportation (TDOT) to study accessibility of public transportation for military veterans; feasibility and costs of improving access to reliable and affordable public transportation options through interagency coordination; funding; veterans' transportation programs; leadership; and exemptions from fees, taxes, and fares; and to report findings and recommendations to the Transportation and Safety Committee of the Senate and the Transportation Committee of the House of Representatives by January 15, 2016.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

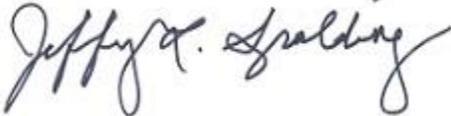
Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent the Department of Transportation elects to perform the proposed study, the one-time increase in state expenditures from the Highway Fund is estimated to be \$4,000 and the one-time increase in federal expenditures is estimated to be \$16,000. Otherwise, the fiscal impact of this bill is considered not significant.

Assumptions:

- The bill does not require TDOT to conduct the study.
- Based on information provided from TDOT, and to the extent the department elects to conduct the proposed study, the one-time cost is estimated to be \$20,000.
- According to TDOT, the department would utilize Federal Transit Administration planning funds to help pay for the cost of conducting the study.
- TDOT indicates the state matching rate to draw down the federal funds is 20 percent.
- Any state funding utilized would be paid from the Highway Fund.
- The one-time increase in state expenditures from the Highway Fund would be \$4,000 (\$20,000 x 20%).
- The one-time increase in federal expenditures would be \$16,000 (\$20,000 - \$4,000).

CERTIFICATION:

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



Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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