

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 873 - SB 800

March 10, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Broadens the definition of eligible petitioner to include persons convicted of two or more qualified defenses for which the petitioner can seek expungement.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 40-32-101(g)(1) defines eligible petitioner as a person convicted of one qualified class E felony or one qualified misdemeanor.
- The proposed legislation broadens the definition to include a person convicted of no more than two offenses each of which is eligible for expungement under Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-32-101(g)(1).
- There is insufficient data on the number of persons that would be eligible for expungement under the proposed legislation.
- However, since the expungement law was changed by Public Chapter 1103 of the Public Acts of 2012, the number of expungements filed each year has been drastically less than estimated. Approximately one percent of original projections have been realized.
- Therefore, it is assumed that allowing persons with two qualified convictions will not significantly impact state or local expungement revenue.

CERTIFICATION:

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

/trm

HB 873 - SB 800