

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1308

March 30, 2017

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires every student to have at least one year of instruction in Tennessee history in grades four through eight.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent a school district does not offer Tennessee History as a courses to grades fourth through eighth, and such districts would be required to purchase materials earlier than what would occur under current law, there will be a mandatory one-time increase in local expenditures; otherwise, the impact to local government is considered not significant.*

Assumptions:

- Tennessee history is an existing course across the state.
- Based on information provided by the State Board of Education (SBE), there is a possibility that some districts would need to order additional books if passage of this legislation occurs during a non-textbook adoption year; otherwise, the overall impact on textbook and material related expenditures are considered not significant.
- Existing history teachers would be required to teach these classes; any impact on the overall number of teachers employed is estimated to be not significant.

**Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

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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