

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 199 – SB 317

February 14, 2019

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Clarifies that the definition of the practice of nursing does not prevent a qualified registered nurse from determining if a patient has an emergency medical condition, if the qualified nurse is working in cooperation with a physician and in accordance with hospital protocol.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004150): Deletes all language after the enacting clause and rewrites the legislation such that the only substantive change is adding the definition of an “emergency medical condition”.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- The proposed legislation will not have a significant impact on the procedures or processes of the health related boards or the Department of Health; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Nursing had an annual surplus of \$1,564,664 in FY16-17, an annual surplus of \$1,674,535 in FY17-18, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$10,142,909 on June 30, 2018.

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CERTIFICATION:

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



Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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