

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 972 - HB 1135

February 24, 2019

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes an advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) who provides services in a community mental health center to arrange for the required personal review of the APRN's charts by a collaborating physician in the office or practice site of the physician, or the required visit by a collaborating physician to any remote site, or both, via HIPAA-compliant electronic means rather than at the site of the clinic.

Authorizes a physician assistant (PA) authorized to prescribe drugs, who provides services in a community mental health center, to arrange for the required personal review of the PA's charts by a collaborating physician in the office or practice site of the physician, or the required visit by a collaborating physician to any remote site, or both, via HIPAA-compliant electronic means rather than at the site of the clinic.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (004610): Corrects an incorrect statutory reference from "45 C.F.R. § 64.312" to "45 C.F.R. § 164.312" without making any substantive changes to the legislation.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the proposed legislation will not impact any programs or policies of the Department or health related boards; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- The proposed legislation only applies to community mental health centers which are private organizations.

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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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