

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 594 - HB 712

March 19, 2019

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Defines the term “antique firearm”, for the purpose of criminal offenses under Title 39, to mean any firearm, muzzle loading rifle, shotgun, or loading pistol or replica with a matchlock, flintlock, percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system manufactured in or before 1898 that is not designed or redesigned to use rimfire or conventional centerfire fixed ammunition; exceptions include weapons which incorporate a firearm frame or receiver, any firearm which is converted into a muzzle loading weapon, or any muzzle loading weapon which can be converted to fire fixed ammunition.

Defines the term “destructive device”, for the purpose of criminal offenses under Title 39, to mean any explosive, incendiary, poison gas, or any type of weapon or redesigned weapon other than a shotgun or shotgun shell that is generally recognized as particularly suitable for sporting purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (005330): Deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause 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:

- Passage of this legislation will match up definitions in state law with those in federal law.
- Mirroring the definitions of “firearm”, “antique firearm”, and “destructive device” to that of federal code (18 U.S. Code § 921) will not result in a significant impact to the total number of prosecutions or citations issued; therefore, this legislation will not result in a significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

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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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