



SB 1680 - HB 1758

March 17, 2020

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Extends the termination date of the Pest Control Board to June 30, 2021. Under the *Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law*, the Board is scheduled to terminate on June 30, 2020.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (017302):** Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Terminates the Pest Control Board (Board) with no wind down period and places all responsibility of the Board under the Department of Agriculture (DOA). Establishes the Pest Control Advisory Board (Advisory Board) to advise the DOA on the promulgation of rules, categories of licenses, qualifications of applicants, and examinations for licenses provided under the *Tennessee Application of Pesticides Act of 1978 (Act)*. Establishes a termination date for the Advisory Board of June 30, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- According to the Department of Agriculture, the Board's expenditures were \$1,254 in FY17-18 and \$2,176 in FY18-19. Such expenditures were for reimbursement of travel and accommodation expenses of Board members.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 43-1-701(b)(20), all moneys collected pursuant to the *Act* are deposited into a special agency account of the General Fund known as the Tennessee Agricultural Regulatory Fund.
- This analysis assumes:
  - Fees will remain constant and there will not be a change in the number of licenses issued;
  - The DOA will not experience a significant impact in revenue or expenditures; therefore any fiscal impact to the DOA is not significant;
  - Current staff of the DOA providing administrative support will continue in such role; and

- Board members will continue to be reimbursed at the current level of reimbursement.
- Current fines and fees collected will remain appropriated to the Tennessee Agricultural Regulatory Fund and be appropriated to the DOA for administration of the *Act*; therefore any fiscal impact to state government is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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