

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 90 – SB 236

January 29, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Changes the basis of the multiplier for the ground ambulance annual coverage assessment calculation from total Medicaid transports by a provider to all total transports.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Division of TennCare, the proposed legislation corrects an error in Public Chapter 874 of 2018 that changed the basis for the *Ground Ambulance Service Provider Assessment Act* to Medicaid only ground ambulatory service transports instead of all ground ambulatory service transports.
- The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) do not permit the assessment to be based on Medicaid only transports; therefore, the correction to all ground ambulatory service transports is necessary for the assessment to continue.
- There was revenue recognition in the amount of \$10,835,000 included in the Governor's FY18-19 budget with corresponding non-recurring appropriations in the amount of \$31,591,100 (\$10,835,000 in state funds and \$20,756,100 in federal matching funds). No additional funds are required for the correction in the proposed legislation; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- The proposed legislation will not increase the number of ambulance service providers. It changes the way providers are reimbursed for ground ambulance transports; therefore, any fiscal impact to commerce and jobs in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

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

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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