

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 103 – SB 919

February 16, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Expands the definition of “wild ginseng” to include young or small ginseng plants sourced from wild ginseng stock, also referred to as “plantlets”.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), Division of Natural Areas, oversees the Tennessee Ginseng Program (TGP).
- According to TDEC, if or when plantlets from wild ginseng stock cause an increase of ginseng exported from Tennessee, TDEC may need to re-evaluate the TGP related to marketing Tennessee ginseng, inspections, and issuance of export certificates; however, for the foreseeable future, the proposed legislation will not impact TDEC’s enforcement of the TGP or any state and local revenue or expenditures.

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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