

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 412

February 4, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Office of Legal Services (OLS) to use plain English to draft legislation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The OLS' current Legislative Drafting Guide (LDG), in Chapter 3, establishes that plain language is to be used by OLS staff to draft legislation. The LDG directs staff to select short and familiar words and phrases to best express an intended meaning according to common and approved usage, to use ordinary English, and to avoid "legalese".
- The proposed legislation will not significantly affect policies or procedures of the OLS; therefore, any fiscal impact to OLS 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".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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