

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 882 - SB 966**

March 24, 2019

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates the Innocence Commission (IC) to investigate all post-conviction exonerations. Authorizes the IC to enter into contracts for research services to complete the investigation of a case. Authorizes the IC to administer oaths and issue subpoenas. Requires the IC to compile a biennial report and submit such report to the Governor and the Tennessee General Assembly no later than December 1 of each even-numbered year.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures – \$3,200**

**Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent the Innocence Commission enters into a contract for investigative services, the state will incur additional expenditures subject to the terms of the contract. The extent and timing of any such increase is unknown.**

Assumptions:

- The IC will consist of two legislative members and seven non-legislative members.
- This analysis assumes the IC will meet six times annually on non-legislative days and each meeting will last one day.
- The proposed legislation entitles all IC members to reimbursement of travel expenses.
- IC members are entitled to per diem of \$240 per day and mileage reimbursement of \$110 (\$0.47 per mile at an average of 234 miles).
- The recurring increase in state expenditures for per diem is estimated to be \$2,160 [\$240 per diem x (2 legislative members + 7 non-legislative members)].
- The recurring increase in state expenditures for mileage is estimated to be \$990 (\$110 travel reimbursement x 9 members).
- The total recurring increase in state expenditures for IC meetings is estimated to be \$3,150 (\$2,160 + \$990).
- To the extent that the IC enters into a contract for investigative services, there will be an increase in state expenditures subject to the terms of the contract. The extent and timing of any such increase in state expenditures is unknown.

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**CERTIFICATION:**

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

Handwritten signature of Krista Lee Carsner in black ink.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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