

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1607 - SB 1614

January 23, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes certain county commissioners to vote on matters where a conflict of interest is present, if the commissioner informs the body of the conflict prior to the vote. Authorizes county commissioners to abstain for cause from a vote by informing the presiding officer.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 5-5-112, county commissioners who are county employees, or whose spouse is a county employee, are prohibited from voting on certain measures which, if approved, would increase the pay or benefits of the county employee.
- The proposed language:
 - Deletes the prohibition on voting established within Tenn. Code Ann. § 5-5-112;
 - Authorizes county commissioners who are county employees to vote on matters where a conflict of interest is present, if the commissioner informs the body of the conflict prior to the vote; and
 - Authorizes any member of the legislative body to abstain for cause from a vote.
- Altering eligibility and procedure of how county commissioners may vote on matters before the legislative body will not result in any significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

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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