

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 1860 - SB 2794**

February 18, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires an institutional parole officer to meet with an incarcerated individual to create a release plan within one year of the individual's release eligibility date (RED). Requires the Board of Parole (BOP) to conduct a hearing to determine the individual's fitness for parole upon his or her RED.

Removes a finding that the release from custody at the time would depreciate the seriousness of the crime of which the defendant was convicted or promote disrespect for the law as a consideration for the BOP in denying parole.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-35-503(d), BOP is required to conduct a hearing within a reasonable time prior to a defendant's release eligibility date to determine the defendant's fitness for parole.
- Based on information provided by BOP, the proposed legislation can be accomplished utilizing existing resources. Any fiscal impact to BOP 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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