

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2237 - SB 2168

February 25, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Commissioner of Finance and Administration (F&A), rather than the Commissioner of the Department of General Services (DGS), to keep a permanent record of the proceedings of the State Protest Committee. Requires the Commissioner of DGS to keep a permanent record of the documents regarding protests of solicitations submitted to the State Protest Committee. Deletes the provision prohibiting state agencies from addenda to bid documents within less than 48 hours of the bid opening date during any competitive bidding of any kind. Establishes that the regulation for addenda to bid documents before a bid opening date does not apply to the Central Procurement Office (CPO) or any purchases or contracts procured by the CPO.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The Commissioner of F&A and the Commissioner of DGS can keep record of the required documents from the State Protest Committee within existing resources.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 12-4-113(a), any state agency, county, or municipal corporation is prohibited from addenda to bid documents within less than 48 hours of the bid opening date during competitive bidding of any kind unless the bid deadline is extended for a reasonable time.
- Exempting state agencies and the CPO from addenda to bid documents within 48 hours of the bid opening date during a competitive bidding process is not estimated to significantly change the price of goods and services procured by the state.
- Counties and municipal corporations will continue to be subject to the bid document deadline.
- No significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

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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