

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2334 - SB 2881**

February 17, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires the Department of Health (DOH) to distribute rabies vaccines to the local health departments for human patients afflicted by injuries sustained by animals in a manner proportional to the populations served by those local health departments. This act shall take effect January 1, 2021.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures -\$108,000/FY20-21  
\$216,000/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years**

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the DOH, there is an average of 475 rabies bites per year. One treatment costs \$4,500.
- Assuming 10 percent, or 48 (475 x 10%) bite victims, will be treated at a local health department, the recurring increase in state expenditures is estimated to be \$216,000 (48 people x \$4,500).
- The proposed legislation takes effect January 1, 2021; therefore, the fiscal impact in FY20-21 is estimated to be \$108,000 (\$216,000 x 50.0%).
- Any decrease in local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

**CERTIFICATION:**

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

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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