

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2725 - SB 2738

March 4, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Effective June 30, 2020, terminates the Tennessee Human Rights Commission (THRC) for complete transfer of procedures, reports, functions, duties, and records to the Human Rights Division (Division), created in the Office of the Attorney General and Reporter (AG).

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation requires the Division to send a notice to all persons who have an active complaint filed with the Commission that the Division now manages the case. This can be accomplished within existing resources.
- The proposed legislation states the Division will consist of an executive director, attorneys, support personnel, any other personnel determined by the AG to be necessary to accomplish duties of the THRC.
- It is assumed the existing staff and budget of the Commission will be transferred to the Division, under the AG, on June 30, 2020. No alterations to retirement, benefit, or salary structures for staff members are anticipated.
- The recommended FY20-21 state share of the Commission's budget is \$1,944,500; Commission expenditures will decrease and AG expenditures will increase by the total annual Division budget amount on the date of transfer.
- As the Commission and AG expenditures will offset, the overall net impact to the General Fund 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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