

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2841 - SB 2620**

February 20, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes a director of schools or director's designee to report absences to a judge pursuant to a student's truancy intervention plan, if any tier of the progressive truancy plan is unsuccessful and without having to implement subsequent tiers, if any, before doing so.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to current law Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-3009, a progressive truancy plan has three tiers that must be implemented before any prescribed course of action may be deemed unsuccessful and student absences can subsequently be reported to an appropriate judge.
- The proposed legislation will allow a director of schools or a director's designee to forgo any remaining tiers of a truancy plan and report absences to a judge earlier than allowed under current law.
- The changes to truancy reporting in the proposed legislation will not impose any additional financial or administrative burdens on schools; therefore, schools will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources.
- Any decrease in local expenditures 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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