

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 646 – HB 831

February 20, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Deletes a duplicate provision requiring a person who practices animal massage therapy to post a surety bond.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- This legislation deletes Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-12-203(4).
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-12-204, a person practicing animal massage therapy shall obtain liability insurance in the amount of \$25,000 for the benefit of any person who is damaged because of the negligence of the person in the performance of animal massage therapy services.
- The deletion of the duplicate requirement from Tenn. Code Ann. § 63-12-203(4) will have no significant impact on the Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners or the Department of Health; therefore, any fiscal impact is not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners had an annual surplus of \$91,797 in FY16-17, an annual surplus of \$181,953 in FY17-18, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$816,786 on June 30, 2018.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- The deletion of the redundant requirement from statute will not significantly impact jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

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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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