

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 1564**

January 10, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires cell phone service providers to provide existing customers with a written summary of current and potential charges to approve and sign before entering into a new or modified cell phone plan. Establishes that a violation of this Act is an unfair and deceptive act or practice in violation of the *Consumer Protection Act of 1977 (the Act)*.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation may result in an increase in formal complaints to the Division of Consumer Affairs; however, any such increase can be accommodated within existing resources.
- Committing an unfair or deceptive practice under the Act is a Class B misdemeanor offense.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

**IMPACT TO COMMERCE:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Providing a written summary of charges to existing customers before entering into a new or modified plan is not estimated to significantly increase business expenditures for cell phone service providers.
- The proposed legislation is not estimated to have a significant impact on commerce or jobs in Tennessee.

**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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