

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1639 - HB 2385

March 5, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes an \$800 cash supplement for unpaid volunteer firefighters of a fire department recognized by the State Fire Marshal's Office (SFMO) when such individuals complete annual in-service training.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$7,496,800/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-24-202, salaried, or career, firefighters currently receive an \$800 salary supplement for completion of 40 hours of annual in-service training.
- The proposed legislation extends the eligibility of the supplement to unpaid volunteer firefighters of a fire department registered and recognized by the SFMO.
- Based on a 2020 roster of registered fire departments provided by the SMFO, there are approximately 11,714 volunteer firefighters that would be eligible for the cash supplement.
- It is assumed 80 percent or 9,371 (11,714 x 80.0%) of the volunteer firefighters will complete the annual in-service training.
- It is assumed that the number of volunteer firefighters in aggregate will remain constant over time.
- A recurring increase in state expenditures, beginning in FY20-21, is estimated to be \$7,496,800 (9,371 x \$800).

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- No significant impact to jobs or commerce in Tennessee.

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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