

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2049 - HB 2338

February 15, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires any poultry, poultry products, meat, or meat food products labeled as “Tennessee-raised,” or by a similar designation, be products of poultry or an animal raised in Tennessee, unless waived by the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture (DOA) based upon economic factors.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The DOA does not currently have a meat inspection program.
- Meat inspection in Tennessee is carried out by the federal United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).
- Being that the state does not currently regulate meat inspection and assuming that the USDA is not responsible for enforcing state statutes regarding origins of poultry and other meat foods, it is reasonable to assume that this legislation will not result in any significant increase in prosecutions or violations under Tenn. Code Ann. § 53-1-203; therefore, this legislation is estimated to have no significant impact on state or local government.
- Any impact on DOA’s expenditures will 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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