

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2249 - HB 2755

February 23, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Changes, from one for each 3,000 students to one for each school in each local education agency (LEA), the number of full-time public school nurse positions funded by the Tennessee Basic Education Program (BEP).

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$59,017,700/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Education, increasing the number of full-time nursing positions so that there is one for each school in every LEA, increases the number of positions generated through the BEP from 355.4 to 1,787, for a net increase of approximately 1,431.6 nursing positions.
- The state share of the BEP will fund approximately \$41,225 per nursing position.
- Re-calculating the FY19-20 BEP, with a minimum of one full-time nursing position for each school in each LEA, will result in a recurring increase in state expenditures of \$59,017,710 (1,431.6 positions x \$41,225) in FY20-21 and subsequent years.
- The increase in BEP funding will increase the minimum required local match for districts receiving an increase in BEP funding as a result of this bill.
- All districts are currently contributing local funds in excess of the minimum required local match; thus districts will not need to increase their local contribution in order to meet the increased required local match.

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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