

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 163 – HB 441

February 25, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a district attorney general investigating a report made pursuant to the *Tennessee Adult Protection Act* to seek all remedies made available under the *Act* or another criminal provision. Authorizes a district attorney general to convene a special grand jury to review death, sexual abuse, or felony theft of an adult under the *Act*.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to Tenn. Code Ann. § 71-6-101, the Act is to protect adults from abuse, neglect or exploitation by requiring reporting of suspected cases by any person believing such cases exist, which are then investigated by the Department of Human Services.
- Authorizing a district attorney general who is investigating a case to utilize all remedies made available under the Act or another criminal provision in order to prosecute individuals may result in an increase in the volume of trials.
- It is assumed any increase can be accommodated within the existing resources of the district attorneys general offices.

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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