

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 515 - SB 476**

February 16, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Beginning in FY17-18, requires high school students to pass a United States civics test in order to graduate from high school with a regular diploma.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Annotated § 49-6-408, students are currently required to take a civics exam composed of questions from the civics test administered by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) to persons seeking to become naturalized citizens.
- Currently, the list of test questions which can be used on the exam are available free of charge on the website of the USCIS (<https://www.uscis.gov>).
- No change in the Basic Education Program (BEP) funding formula.
- No impact to state or local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Krista M. Lee".

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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