

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1554 - SB 1638

February 8, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a court from accepting a plea agreement or a plea of nolo contendere, or from imposing any criminal sentence, if any part of the plea or sentence is conditioned or based upon a criminal defendant submitting to some form of sterilization as defined by the legislation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Title 40, Chapter 35 is titled the Tennessee Criminal Sentencing Reform Act of 1989.
- Part 2 of this act provides procedures for imposing sentences to offenders.
- The proposed legislation will prohibit the court from accepting a plea agreement or a plea of nolo contendere, or from imposing any criminal sentence, if any part of the plea or sentence is conditioned or based upon a criminal defendant submitting to some form of sterilization as defined.
- Prohibiting the court from accepting such plea agreements or determining the sentence of an offender based on that offender submitting to some form of sterilization is not anticipated to result in any significant change to offender sentences.
- Any impact to the caseloads of the courts, public defenders, and district attorneys can be accommodated within their existing resources.

CERTIFICATION:

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

Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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