

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1819

February 5, 2020

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Places all firefighters under the same deadline for obtaining an initial physical medical examination prior to being eligible to claim certain conditions, impairments, or death occurred in the line of duty.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 7-51-201(d) requires an applicable firefighter who desires to utilize the rebuttable presumption that a condition, impairment, or death caused by certain cancers occurred in the line of duty, to obtain an initial physical medical examination that includes a cancer screening, by the following deadlines:
  - Any firefighter employed by a fire department before July 1, 2019 must obtain a such examination before July 1, 2020; and
  - Any firefighter employed by a fire department on or after July 1, 2019 must successfully pass a pre-employment examination.
- The proposed language would require any applicable firefighter to obtain an initial examination containing a cancer screening after July 1, 2019 to claim the presumption.
- Firefighters will still be required to obtain annual examinations with cancer screenings following the initial examination in order to be eligible to claim the presumption.
- Establishing the proposed deadline for obtaining an initial examination containing a cancer screening will not result in any significant 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 black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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