TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2084 - SB 2264

March 6, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the sale, offer for sale, manufacture, or distribution in this state of a product containing asbestos. Specifies that this legislation does not impose any liability upon any news media which accepts or publishes advertising for any product containing asbestos. Authorizes the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) to enter, during normal business hours, any retail, distribution, or manufacturing establishment in order to force compliance with this legislation and further authorizes the TDEC to bring, through the Attorney General and Reporter, a civil action to enforce the provisions of this legislation. If a defendant has been found to be in violation of such provisions, such individual is subject to a civil penalty of up to \$2,500. Requires TDEC to notify the public of such prohibition on its website.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The TDEC can comply with the requirements of this legislation utilizing existing resources without a reduced reversion.
- Any impact on state revenue associated with imposition of a civil penalty of up to \$2,500 for violations of this Act is estimated to be not significant.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Prohibiting the use of asbestos in certain product may result in some products, which are produced in Tennessee, being withdrawn from the market.
- It is assumed that any decrease in sales from such prohibited products would be replaced with alternative products.

CERTIFICATION:

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

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