TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL NOTE



HB 13

January 8, 2021

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a law enforcement agency or governmental entity of this state or a local government, or the Governor or chief executive of a local government by executive order, from forcing, requiring, or coercing a person to receive an immunization or vaccination for COVID-19 against the person's will.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The U.S. Supreme Court issued a ruling in February 20, 1905, *Jacobson v. Massachusetts*, upholding the right of states to compel vaccination.
- Each state decides which vaccines are required based on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP).
- Immunization or vaccination for COVID-19 is currently not required by any state or local governmental entity in Tennessee. Prohibiting any such future requirement will not result in a significant fiscal impact to the state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

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

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Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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