

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 657 – SB 609

February 20, 2019

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes dental hygienists to exercise prescriptive authority limited to fluoride agents, topical oral anesthetic agents, and nonsystemic oral antimicrobials. Requires the Board of Dentistry (BOD) to determine by rule educational and training requirements necessary for a dental hygienist to exercise prescriptive authority. Requires the BOD to determine allowable percentages of certain active ingredients in medications that may be prescribed by dental hygienists.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by the Department of Health, the BOD can create rules as required by the proposed legislation within existing resources; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The BOD had an annual surplus of \$211,016 in FY16-17, an annual surplus of \$191,693 in FY17-18, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$4,404,746 on June 30, 2018.

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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