TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 832 - SB 1045

March 25, 2019

**SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL:** Prohibits persons from standing or conducting any activity in, or in proximity to, the median of a state highway without first obtaining permission from the Department of Transportation. Establishes first violation of such as a warning citation and subsequent offenses as a Class C misdemeanor.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

### NOT SIGNIFICANT

**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (006316):** Deletes and replaces language of the original bill such that the bill as amended: (1) prohibits persons from loitering or conducting any commercial activity in, or in proximity to, the median of a state highway; (2) exempts employees, agents, contractors, or anyone acting on behalf of the Department of Transportation (TDOT), a utility, county, municipality, or other political subdivision; and (3) establishes a first violation of such as a warning citation and subsequent offenses as a Class C misdemeanor.

## FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

#### Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Based on information provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, any increase in the caseloads of the court system can be absorbed with the existing resources.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

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

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