# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# FISCAL NOTE

HB 556 - SB 1225

February 14, 2023

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires court clerks to notify the Health Facilities Commission (HFC), instead of the Department of Health (DOH), when an offender is to be placed on the registry of persons who have been convicted of abusing, neglecting, financially exploiting or sexually exploiting an elderly or vulnerable adult. Requires such notice be sent within 90 days of conviction of the offense.

### **FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **NOT SIGNIFICANT**

## Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-15-506(a)(1), the clerk of the court is required to notify the DOH of persons required to be placed on the registry of persons who have abused, neglected, or misappropriated the property of vulnerable individuals following the conviction of a violation of or an attempt to commit any of the following offenses:
  - o Financial exploitation of elderly or vulnerable person;
  - o Sexually exploitation of elderly or vulnerable person;
  - o Neglect of elderly or vulnerable person;
  - o Aggravated neglect of elderly or vulnerable person;
  - o Abuse of elderly or vulnerable person; or
  - o Aggravated abuse of elderly or vulnerable person.
- The proposed legislation requires such notice be sent to the HFC, instead of the DOH, within 90 days of a conviction.
- Based on information provided by the court clerks, any impact to the court system as a result of the proposed legislation is estimated to be not significant.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-11-1001, the HFC is required to maintain the registry of persons who have been determined to have abused, neglected, misappropriated or exploited the property of vulnerable individuals.
- The proposed legislation does not significantly impact the current operations of the HFC; therefore, any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

# **CERTIFICATION:**

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

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