

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1586

January 15, 2024

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the District Attorneys General Conference (DAGC), the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), the Tennessee Chapter of Children’s Advocacy Centers, the Department of Children’s Services (DCS), and law enforcement agencies to enter into data sharing agreements for the purpose of annual reports to the Judiciary Committee of the Senate and the Civil Justice Committee of the House of Representatives, and for child advocacy centers’ annual reports.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- As required by Tenn. Code Ann. § 37-1-607(a)(1)(A), the district attorney general of each judicial district must report, by January 15 of each year, to the Judiciary Committee of the Senate and the Civil Justice Committee of the House of Representatives regarding the status and progress of the child protective teams.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 9-4-213(a)(8), the state may only fund a child advocacy center if the center clearly demonstrates that it, among other requirements, agrees to accurately collect and report key outcome data and information relative to operations to the Tennessee Chapter of the Children’s Advocacy Centers annually.
- Tennessee Code Annotated § 37-1-612 allows for information concerning a report or investigation to be shared with the employees from child advocacy centers if the center is directly involved in a specific case, or with the district attorney general, a court official, DCS, and law enforcement for other specific purposes.
- According to DCS the proposed legislation is codifying an existing practice; therefore, any impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

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

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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