

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1853 - SB 1874

February 29, 2024

SUMMARY OF BILL: Establishes that certain outpatient occupational and physical therapy services, communication disorders and sciences services, and therapy services provided by a person or entity that provides outpatient services under Title XVIII of the federal Social Security Act and reimbursed under Medicare Part B are not included in the definition of "home health service" for the purpose of regulation of health and related facilities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- Home health agencies are licensed by the Health Facilities Commission (HFC) and provide a variety of healthcare services to patients.
- The proposed legislation establishes that a practitioner of solely occupational or physical therapy services may perform in-home services without a certificate of need or license from the HFC.
- Based on information provided by the HFC, the proposed legislation will not have a significant impact on the operations of the HFC, or the amount of licensing revenue collected from home health agencies.
- Any impact to the Department of Health and health-related boards 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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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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