

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2269 - SB 2202

February 19, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Updates state law to reflect change in federal law which raised the minimum age to purchase tobacco products, from 18 years of age to 21 years of age.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- On December, 20, 2019, the President signed legislation amending the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and raised the federal minimum age of sale of tobacco products from 18 years of age to 21 years of age.
- This change in federal law became effective immediately.
- This legislation updates state statute to reflect the change made at the federal level and will have no significant impact on state government.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- This legislation does not prohibit the sale of tobacco products to persons under 21 years of age; such prohibition is a result of the federal law. Therefore, any decrease in sales of tobacco products as a result of such purchasing age increase, cannot be attributed to this legislation.
- This legislation will necessitate businesses which offer tobacco products for sale needing to replace signage. It is assumed that the replacement is necessitated as a result of the federal law change. Therefore, any direct impact on business expenditures attributed to this legislation 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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