# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



# **FISCAL NOTE**

HB 259 – SB 916

February 22, 2019

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Prohibits the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) from requiring an evaluation of alternative locations, routes, or alignments for public transportation projects commissioned by a federal, state, or local government, when such entities are applying for a permit from TDEC's Division of Water Resources.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### NOT SIGNIFICANT

# Assumptions:

- Based on information provided by TDEC, the proposed legislation is generally consistent with TDEC's current permit review practice.
- Therefore, prohibiting TDEC from requiring that an impact evaluation necessary for the
  issuance of a discharge permit for a public transportation project includes an evaluation
  of alternative locations, routes, or alignments will not result in a significant impact on
  expenditures of TDEC, the Department of Transportation, or federal and local
  government.
- The number of permits issued by the Division will not be impacted.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

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

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