

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 580 – HB 992

April 11, 2017

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Requires election officials to ensure that all information that is required on a document is provided prior to accepting the document. Establishes a conclusive presumption that any document accepted by an election official is properly filed and all requirements have been timely met.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (007165): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Increases, from two to four, the percentage of all candidates for the General Assembly that the Tennessee Registry of Election Finance (TREF) shall randomly select to conduct an audit and field investigation of the candidate and the candidate's committees.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 2-10-212, the TREF is required to conduct audits and field investigations of reports and statements filed with the registry by various officials, with the TREF randomly selecting two percent of all candidates for the General Assembly on which to conduct an audit and field investigation. Such audits take place during June through December in odd-numbered years.
- The proposed language would increase the number of candidates randomly selected to four percent of the total number of candidates.
- According to the TREF, the proposed requirements can be accomplished utilizing existing resources and will not result in any significant increase to state expenditures.

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CERTIFICATION:

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



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