

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2019 - SB 2023

February 4, 2024

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the county legislative body (CLB) to set the budget of the county mayor's office at an amount not less than the average of the budgeted amount for the previous five years.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – A precise increase in mandatory local government expenditures beginning in FY24-25 cannot be estimated with reasonable certainty. *

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 5-9-401, all funds used in operation of county government shall be appropriated by the CLB.
- Based on information provided by the County Technical Assistance Service using data from FY21-22, 12 counties set mayoral budgets at an amount lower than the average of the prior five years.
- The proposed legislation would have resulted in a mandatory increase in local government expenditures of \$138,130 for FY21-22.
- Future appropriations to mayoral offices cannot be predicted; however, it can be reasonably assumed that upon passage of the proposed legislation some CLBs will allocate additional funds to the mayor's budget in order to comply.
- The extent of any recurring increase in local government expenditures beginning in FY24-25 cannot be estimated, but is considered mandatory.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

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

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Krista Lee Carsner".

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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