TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## **FISCAL NOTE**

SB 1954 - HB 2069

January 28, 2024

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Authorizes a victim-witness coordinator to inform a victim of a criminal offense of the victim's rights under the Tennessee Constitution, Article I, § 35, and of the dates of all future trial court proceedings involving the defendant.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

## NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 40-38-111(e)-(f), the District Attorney General of the district in which the indictment or presentment was returned is required to notify the victim of the offense of that victim's rights under the Tennessee Constitution and of the dates of all future trial court proceedings involving the defendant.
- The proposed legislation authorizes a victim-witness coordinator, in addition to the District Attorney General, to inform a victim of their rights.
- Authorizing a victim-witness coordinator to inform a victim of a criminal offense of the victim's rights under the Tennessee Constitution, Article I, § 35 will have no significant impact on the District Attorneys General Conference or state and local government.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

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

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