## TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2081 - HB 2226

April 25, 2022

**SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (018158):** Increases, from \$1,250 to \$2,000, the amount awarded for a Tennessee Middle College Scholarship (TMCS) for each semester of full-time attendance.

## FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

Increase State Expenditures – \$643,500/FY22-23/Lottery for Education Account Exceeds \$643,500/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years/
Lottery for Education Account

Other Fiscal Impact – Funding in an amount of \$643,500 in FY22-23 and recurring funding exceeding \$643,500 in FY23-24 and subsequent years will not be available for transfer from the Lottery for Education Account to the Tennessee Promise Scholarship Special Reserve Account.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-4-909(d), the current TMCS award is \$1,250 for full-time attendance each semester for a total of \$2,500 each year.
- Passage of this legislation will increase an eligible student's award amount from \$1,250 to \$2,000 per semester for a total of \$4,000 each year.
- The increase in state expenditures from the Lottery for Education Account (LFEA) for each respective student will be \$1,500 (\$4,000 new award \$2,500 current award) per year.
- The current number of participants is 403. Based on information provided by the Tennessee Student Assistants Corporation, it is estimated that for FY22-23 there would be an increase of 6.5 percent students who will receive the TMCS for an approximate total of 429 students (403 current students x 106.5%).
- The increase in state expenditures from the LFEA is estimated to be \$643,500 (\$1,500 x 429) in FY22-23.
- It is estimated that the number of students who will receive the TMCS will increase each year; therefore, the recurring increase in state expenditures from the LFEA is estimated to exceed \$643,500 in FY23-24 and subsequent years.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

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

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