

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2295 - HB 2545

March 28, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL AS AMENDED (016580): Changes certain qualifications that are required for the certification of medication aides beginning January 1, 2023, with all other provision effective upon becoming law.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL AS AMENDED:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 63-7-127 requires medication aide examinees to receive an 85 percent on the licensing exam in order to be considered passing, which the proposed legislation lowers the passing threshold to 75 percent. The legislation would also allow occupational therapy assistants to be certified as a medication aide. It is assumed that this change in required score will not lead to a significant increase in medication aides.
- Any increase in applications can be handled within existing resources and personnel within the Department of Health.

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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