

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2909 - SB 2935

March 26, 2024

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits the state from paying an annual assessment to the Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunity for Military Children that exceeds \$1.15 per active duty military child whose legal residence is located within the geographic boundaries of this state unless the proposed increase is submitted to the Governor and approved by joint resolution of the Senate and House of Representatives in the next regular session of the General Assembly.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-12-301, the Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (Interstate Compact) removes barriers to educational success imposed on children of military families because of frequent moves and deployment of their parents by addressing certain disadvantages that may affect enrollment, student placement, attendance, educational records, timely graduation, and other challenges related to school transfers.
- The Interstate Compact dues formula is based on \$1.15 per child of military families eligible for transfer and requires the calculation to be based upon the state in which each military family resides. It establishes that no state dues assessment shall exceed the sum of \$69,000 per year or be less than \$2,300.
- The proposed legislation authorizes the state to pay an annual assessment that exceeds the cap of \$1.15 per child and to include financial assessments for non-active duty guard and reserve children, upon submitting the proposal to the Governor and approval by joint resolution of the General Assembly.
- In FY22-23, the state paid dues for the Interstate Compact in the amount of \$13,469.
- Requiring a proposed increase to the annual assessment paid to be submitted to the Governor and approved by the General Assembly will not significantly impact state government; any subsequent fiscal impact will depend on the actions of future General Assemblies, which cannot be predicted.
- The state will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources such that any fiscal impact is estimated to be not significant.

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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". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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