

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2960 - SB 2878**

February 12, 2024

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Expands the list of offenses for which a defendant who has been convicted of a violation that resulted in the death of a parent of a minor child, is required to pay restitution in the form of child maintenance to each of the victim's children until each child reaches 18 years of age and has graduated from high school, to include first degree murder, second degree murder, and voluntary manslaughter.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-13-219(a), a defendant who has been convicted of a vehicular homicide by driver intoxication or aggravated vehicular homicide that resulted in the death of a parent of a minor child, is required to pay restitution in the form of child maintenance to each of the victim's children until each child reaches 18 years of age and has graduated from high school.
- The proposed legislation adds the offenses of first degree murder, second degree murder, and voluntary manslaughter for which a defendant is required to pay restitution in the form of child maintenance.
- Any fiscal impact resulting from a restitution order for child maintenance will be borne by private parties.
- The processing of child maintenance payments can be accomplished by state and local courts utilizing existing resources.
- Any fiscal impact to state or local government is estimated to be not significant.

**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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