# TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



## FISCAL NOTE

HB 596 - SB 462

February 24, 2021

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a transportation services district for Davidson, Cheatham, Dickson, Robertson, Wilson, Sumner, Montgomery, Williamson, and Rutherford counites. Requires any excess state sales and use tax revenue collected over the estimated budgeted amount for a fiscal year from within the transportation services district to be apportioned and distributed to any eligible county, in an amount equal to that portion of the surplus revenue derived from the sale of goods, products, and services within the eligible county.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Other Fiscal Impact – Passage of this legislation will redistribute a significant portion of General Fund sales and use tax revenue to counties within newly-created transportation services districts in any fiscal year in which actual state sales and use tax collections, derived from any district, exceed the budgeted amount of revenue for the district. Due to multiple unknown factors, the extent and timing of any such redistribution cannot be determined with reasonable certainty.

### Assumptions:

- Currently all state sales tax surplus revenue is deposited into the General Fund. Any such amounts from previous fiscal years are included in the tax base reflected in the Governor's proposed budget for FY21-22.
- Estimates of state sales tax revenues are not made by individual counties. Therefore, the exact portion of any surplus state sales tax revenue generated by an individual county that would be distributed to such county pursuant to this legislation cannot be determined with reasonable certainty.
- In FY19-20, the state sales and use tax collections exceeded the budgeted estimate by \$96,218,000 (\$9,708,818,000 actual collections \$9,612,600,000 final budgeted estimate).
- State sales and use tax collection in the nine counties comprising the newly-created transportation services districts represented 28.4 percent of total state sales and use tax collections.
- Assuming that such counties represented the same proportion of surplus state sales and use tax collection, approximately \$27,325,912 (\$96,218,000 x 28.4 %) in state funds

- would have been distributed to such local governments if this legislation was in effect in FY19-20.
- Any future distributions of such revenue, beginning in FY21-22, would be dependent upon actual state sales and use tax collections, budgeted estimates for such collections, and the proportion of any surplus revenue that is generated within the transportation services district. Due to multiple unknown factors, any such impact cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

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

Bojan Savic, Interim Executive Director

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