

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1867 - HB 1988

February 14, 2020

SUMMARY OF BILL: Entitles assistant district attorney generals (ADA) to receive up to 12 year-for-year service credits for prior experience as a criminal investigator for a law enforcement agency.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – \$945,900/FY20-21
Exceeds \$945,900/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Assumptions:

- The proposed legislation specifies that a criminal investigator for a law enforcement agency includes full-time employment with a law enforcement agency during which the employee performed duties typically performed by law enforcement personnel, including exercising arrest powers.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-7-226, ADAs receive step raises outlined in statute; therefore, this analysis estimates the impact of hiring such positions in FY20-21 and estimates the impact of any subsequent year to exceed the impact of FY20-21.
- Based on information provided by the Tennessee District Attorneys General Conference, there are currently 395 full-time ADAs that have not reached the maximum step raise outlined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-7-226.
- This analysis estimates 13 percent, or 51 (395 x 13%), of ADAs have an average of five years of eligible experience as a criminal investigator for a law enforcement agency.
- The average ADA step increase is \$3,181 per year.
- The proposed legislation will result in a one-time increase in state expenditures in FY20-21 estimated to be \$945,897 { [(\$3,181 x 5 credit years) + \$2,642 benefits] x 51 }.
- The proposed legislation will result in a recurring increase in state expenditures in FY21-22 and subsequent fiscal years estimated to exceed \$945,897.

CERTIFICATION:

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



Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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