

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 2354 – HB 2579

February 9, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires a manufacturer of a tablet or smart phone device manufactured on or after January 1, 2023 and activated in this state to automatically enable a filter that prevents the user from accessing or downloading material that is harmful to minors on mobile data networks, applications owned and controlled by the manufacturer, wired internet networks and wireless internet networks. Establishes a violation of such is an unfair and deceptive act or practice under the *Consumer Protection Act of 1977*.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Any increase in the number of complaints handled by the Attorney General is estimated to be not significant and can be handled by existing staff during normal work hours.
- Committing an unfair or deceptive practice under the *Consumer Protection Act of 1977* is a Class B misdemeanor offense.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

IMPACT TO COMMERCE:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumption:

- Private entities will ensure compliance with requirements of this legislation without a significant increase in business expenditures. Any impact to commerce or jobs in Tennessee is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

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

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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