TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2308 - SB 2725

February 8, 2022

SUMMARY OF BILL: Specifies that photographic evidence depicting the remains of a deceased minor is confidential and not open for inspection by members of the public. Provides that the custodial parent or legal guardian of the deceased minor may waive confidentiality and allow the minor's photograph to be used and obtained in the same manner as other public records.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 10-7-504(aa):
 - Photographic evidence of a fatal motor vehicle accident that depicts a deceased minor victim at the scene of the accident shall be treated as confidential and not open for inspection by members of the public.
 - The custodial parent or legal guardian of the deceased minor victim may waive confidentiality and allow the minor victim's photograph to be used and obtained in the same manner as other public records.
- The proposed legislation would expand current statute to provide that photographic evidence depicting the remains of any deceased minor shall be treated as confidential and not open for public inspection and would authorize the custodial parent or legal guardian of the minor to waive confidentiality.
- Requiring such information to be treated as confidential and authorizing a parent or legal guardian to waive confidentiality will not result in any significant fiscal impact to state or local government.

CERTIFICATION:

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

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