

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 7044

August 18, 2023

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires each local education agency (LEA) to post a notice on each school bus to notify others that no unauthorized person shall enter onto school buses. Requires the notice to include appropriate contact information in case of an issue on the school bus. Requires school bus driver training programs for new school bus drivers and the annual training and management training program for transportation supervisors to include procedures concerning persons improperly on school buses. Effective January 1, 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-6-2107(g) requires new school bus drivers to complete a school bus driver training program based on standards established by the Department of Education (DOE) and Department of Safety (DOS).
- Tennessee Code Ann. § 49-2116(b) requires each transportation supervisor to complete a student transportation management training program developed jointly by DOE and DOS and to complete a minimum of four hours of annual training.
- Requiring LEAs to post notices in school buses and for DOE and DOS to develop additional procedures concerning persons improperly on school buses to be included in training programs required for school bus drivers and transportation supervisors can be accomplished within existing resources and during the normal course of business, without a significant increase in state or local expenditures.
- Any state or local fiscal impact 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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