



Members of the 113<sup>th</sup> General Assembly took the week of January 16<sup>th</sup> to move offices and prepare for the first days of regular session. The House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee met on Thursday and Friday to hold preliminary budget hearings. The Senate and House of Representatives will gavel in for session this afternoon at 2 p.m. and will hold a joint convention on Saturday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 11 a.m. for Governor Bill Lee’s second inauguration.

This week, House Speaker Cameron Sexton also announced the 2023 schedule for committee hearings, which is attached to this report. The House will take an additional week to organize before beginning to work through their legislative priorities during the week of January 30<sup>th</sup>. The Senate committees will meet next week for presentations and introductory purposes. The House has set their bill filing deadline for January 31<sup>st</sup>. The Senate’s bill filing deadline is February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**BELOW IS A LIST OF YOUR 2023 TRACKED LEGISLATION AS OF THE TIME OF THIS REPORT:**

**SB2                                    Limitation on claims against a person for loss, damage, injury, or death arising from COVID-19.**

Sponsors                    Sen. Johnson, Jack  
Category                     COVID-19  
Summary                     Makes permanent limitations on claims against a person for loss, damage, injury, or death arising from COVID-19 and the prohibition on COVID-19 vaccine mandates.  
Senate Status                01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.  
Caption                      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 9- 8-307; Title 14; Title 29, Chapter 20; Section 49-7- 159 and Chapter 896 of the Public Acts of 2022, relative to COVID-19.

**SB11/HB2                            Makes permanent various provisions regarding COVID-19.**

Sponsors                    Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Zachary, Jason  
Category                     COVID-19  
Summary                     Makes permanent various provisions regarding COVID-19.  
Senate Status                01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.  
House Status                01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption                      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9; Title 14; Title 29, Chapter 20 and Section 49-7- 159, and Chapter 896 of the Public Acts of 2022, relative to COVID-19.

**SB25/HB12                         County Powers Relief Act tax rate for residential development increased.**

Sponsors                    Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Cepicky, Scott  
Category                     Taxes Property  
Summary                     Raises the initial tax rate authorized by the County Powers Relief Act for residential development from \$1 per square foot to \$3 per square foot. Prohibits a county from increasing the tax rate within a 4-year period of the last tax raise. Allows a county to raise the tax rate to a maximum of 10% following the 4-year period.  
Senate Status                01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.  
House Status                01/20/23 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 29, relative to the County Powers Relief Act.

**SB73 Tennessee Information Protection Act.**

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo

Category Commercial Law

Summary Enacts the "Tennessee Information Protection Act," which establishes personal information rights for consumers and responsibilities for data controllers. Defines "controller" to mean the natural or legal person that, alone or jointly with others, determines the purpose and means of processing personal information. Requires controllers to limit the collection of personal information to what is adequate, relevant, and reasonably necessary in relation to the purposes for which the data is processed, as disclosed to the consumer. Requires controllers to establish, implement, and maintain reasonable data security practices to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and accessibility of personal information. Prohibits a controller from processing sensitive data concerning a consumer without obtaining the consumer's consent. Requires controller to conduct and document a data protection assessment of certain processing activities involving personal information, including the processing of personal information for purposes of targeted advertising and the sale of personal information. Requires data protection assessments conducted to identify and weigh the benefits that may flow, directly and indirectly, from the processing to the controller, the consumer, other stakeholders, and the public against the potential risks to the rights of the consumer associated with the processing, as mitigated by safeguards that can be employed by the controller to reduce the risks. Specifies for requirements of processing de-identified data by controllers. Requires a controller or processor to create, maintain, and comply with a written privacy program that reasonably conforms to the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) privacy framework entitled "A Tool for Improving Privacy through Enterprise Risk Management Version 1.0." Gives the attorney general investigative authority over this part and exclusive authority for enforcement of provisions (32 pp.).

Senate Status 01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 12; Title 43; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 50; Title 61; Title 66 and Title 67, relative to commerce.

**SB78/HB141 Transportation project completion dates to be included in commissioner's report.**

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Howell, Dan

Category Transportation General

Summary Authorizes the commissioner of transportation to include the anticipated completion dates of projects to be included in the commissioner's quarterly report to the state building commission.

Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE SB 78 HB 141 January 17, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises certain provisions of the Tennessee Code Annotatedwithout making substantive changes to current law.FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.

House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title 67, relative to transportation.

**SB79/HB142**      **Motor vehicle titling or registration - notice of change of address.**

Sponsors      Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Howell, Dan  
Category      Transportation Vehicles  
Summary      Authorizes a person who, after applying for or receiving a motor vehicle title or registration, moves from the address named in the application or title or registration, or changes names, to submit the required notice to the department in writing or electronically. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note      TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE SB 79 HB 142  
January 19, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes a person who, after applying for or receiving a motorvehicle title or registration, moves from the address named in the application, title, orregistration, or changes names for any reason, to submit the required notice of any such changein writing or electronically to the Department of Revenue (DOR).FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status      01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.  
House Status      01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title 67, relative to transportation.

**SB80/HB140**      **Precious Cargo Act provisions revised.**

Sponsors      Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Howell, Dan  
Category      Transportation Vehicles  
Summary      Authorizes the department of revenue, in cooperation with other governmental agencies or interested nonprofit organizations, to publicize to potential participants the availability, under the Precious Cargo Act of 2021, of a designation within the Tennessee Vehicle Title and Registration System (VTRS) database of a need for assistance with expressive language or communicating needs to first responders. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status      01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.  
House Status      01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title 67, relative to transportation.

**SB83/HB139**      **Lead commercial driver platoon requirements.**

Sponsors      Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Howell, Dan  
Category      Transportation Vehicles  
Summary      Requires a driver who holds a valid commercial driver license to be present behind the wheel of the lead commercial motor vehicle traveling in a platoon, rather than behind the wheel of each commercial motor vehicle traveling in that platoon.

Senate Status      01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.  
House Status      01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 54 and Title 55, relative to vehicles operating as part of a platoon.

**SB84**      **Commercial driver license issued with hazardous materials endorsement - expiration.**

Sponsors      Sen. Massey, Becky  
Category      Transportation Vehicles  
Summary      Establishes that a commercial driver license issued with a hazardous materials endorsement expires on the date the hazardous materials endorsement authorization expires.

Senate Status      01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50, Part 3, relative to commercial driver licenses.

**SB95 Vehicle registrations by businesses that register at least 15,000 vehicles annually.**

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack  
Category Transportation Vehicles  
Summary Increases the period for which vehicle registrations by businesses that register at least 15,000 vehicles annually from 24 months to 36 months. States that the fees must be in an amount to offset the revenue that would otherwise be generated by 12-month registration fees in effect prior to July 1, 2023, instead of July 1, 2017.

Senate Status 01/11/23 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-104, relative to vehicle registrations.

**SB105/HB88 Military waivers for commercial driver licenses.**

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Marsh, Pat  
Category Transportation Vehicles  
Summary Requires the department of safety to waive the knowledge test and accept alternative requirements for active duty and honorably discharged service members applying for temporary commercial learner's permits. Requires the applicant to certify that the applicant has not had a driver license suspended, revoked, or canceled in this state or another state during the one year preceding the application. Requires the application to be accompanied by documentation establishing the applicant's military occupational specialty and driving experience, including military orders or other documentation acceptable to the department establishing the applicant's military occupational specialty and current duty station assignment and a valid military identification card, if the applicant is on active duty. Requires an applicant who obtains the knowledge test waiver to successfully complete any applicable vision and skills tests, and pay the appropriate fees, other than the skills testing fee.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 01/12/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 50, relative to military waivers for commercial driver licenses.

**SB114/HB153 Grant payments for nursing home care.**

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy  
Category Public Finance  
Summary Authorizes grant payments under the grant assistance program for nursing home care to be made either monthly or quarterly. Payments are payable only to the individual or the individual's legally authorized representative. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE SB 114 HB 153 January 12, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes grant payments to eligible individuals under theGrant Assistance Program for Nursing Home Care to be made quarterly.FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3; Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 9; Title 10; Title 11; Title 12; Title 13; Title 16; Title 17; Title 18; Title 29; Title 33; Title 36; Title 37; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40; Title 41; Title 42; Title 43; Title 44; Title 45; Title 47; Title

48; Title 49; Title 50; Title 53; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 57; Title 58; Title 59; Title 60; Title 61; Title 62; Title 63; Title 64; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67; Title 68; Title 69; Title 70 and Title 71, relative to statutory revisions required for implementation of the annual appropriations act.

**SB115/HB148**      **Budget - estimated growth in state economy.**  
Sponsors      Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy  
Category      Public Finance  
Summary      Provides for the dollar amount and rate by which the growth of appropriations from state tax revenues will exceed the estimated growth in the state's economy.  
Fiscal Note      TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE SB 115 HB 148 January 12, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the requirement for the Governors presented budgetdocuments to include projected Tennessee personal income for 1977 and recommendedappropriations from state tax revenues for FY77-78.FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT  
Senate Status      01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status      01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption      AN ACT pursuant to Article II, Section 24, of the Tennessee Constitution providing for the dollar amount and rate by which the growth of appropriations from state tax revenues will exceed the estimated growth in the state's economy and to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 52.

**SB116/HB149**      **Appropriations - defraying expenses of legislative enactments passed during 2023 session.**  
Sponsors      Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy  
Category      Public Finance  
Summary      Makes appropriations for the purpose of defraying the expenses of certain legislative enactments passed during the 2023 session of the 113th General Assembly; earmarks sufficient state funds for the purpose of funding any bill naming a highway or bridge in honor of a service member killed in action.  
Senate Status      01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status      01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption      AN ACT to make appropriations for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the state government for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, and July 1, 2023, in the administration, operation, and maintenance of the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of the various departments, institutions, offices, and agencies of the state; for certain state aid and obligations; for capital outlay, for the service of the public debt, for emergency and contingency; to repeal certain appropriations and any acts inconsistent herewith; to provide provisional continuing appropriations; and to establish certain provisions, limitations, and restrictions under which appropriations may be obligated and expended. This act makes appropriations for the purposes described above for the fiscal years beginning July 1, 2022, and July 1, 2023.

**SB117/HB147**      **Bond issuance.**  
Sponsors      Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy  
Category      Public Finance  
Summary      Authorizes the state, acting by resolution of its funding board, to issue and sell its bonds and bond anticipation notes for certain purposes not exceeding \$30,000,000 and must mature 20 years from the date of their issuance. Allows the bonds and interest payable thereon to be

exempt from taxation by the state of Tennessee or by any county, municipality, or taxing district of the state except inheritance, transfer, and estate taxes.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption AN ACT to authorize the state of Tennessee, acting by resolutions of its funding board, to issue and sell its bonds and bond anticipation notes to provide for acquisition of equipment and sites, and erection, construction, and equipment of sites and buildings, expressly including the acquisition of existing structures for expansion, improvements, betterments, and extraordinary repairs to existing structures, for construction of highways, and repair, replacement, or rehabilitation of bridges, and for grants to any county, metropolitan government, incorporated town, city, special district of the state, or any governmental agency or instrumentality of any of them; to make grants to industrial development corporations to provide for acquisition of equipment and acquisition, site preparation, erection, construction, and equipment of sites and buildings; and infrastructure improvements and development; and to provide for the expenditure of said funds; to issue its debt in excess of the authorized amount to fund discount and costs of issuance; and to provide for the expenditure of said funds. This act makes appropriations for an indefinite period of time for the purpose of allocating the proceeds of the bonds and notes authorized by this act.

**SB118/HB156      Extension for business tax returns.**

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hicks, Gary  
Category Taxes Business  
Summary Allows for an authorized representative to also sign and apply for an extension for the business tax return deadline.

Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE SB 118 - HB 156 January 17, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises certain provisions of the Tennessee Code Annotatedwithout making substantive changes to current law.FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxation.

**SB121      Tax exemptions for tree canopy cover.**

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank  
Category Taxes Property  
Summary Creates tax exemption for portions of property that provide tree canopy cover in certain counties, subject to the approval of the local governing body in such counties.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property tax exemptions.

**SB122/HB40      Prohibits foreign ownership of real property in state by nonresident aliens under certain conditions.**

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Reedy, Jay  
Category Property & Housing  
Summary Prohibits a nonresident alien, foreign business, or foreign government, or an agent, trustee, or fiduciary thereof, from purchasing or otherwise acquiring real property in this state if the laws of the country where the nonresident alien resides, the foreign business is located, or the official foreign government representing the country, or agents, trustees, or fiduciaries

thereof, prohibit citizens of the United States or its territories or possessions from purchasing real property located within that country. Specifies instances in which such restriction does not apply, including property acquired by devise or descent.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status 01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 43; Title 44; Title 47; Title 48 and Title 66, relative to property.

**SB130 Requirements for statements mailed or emailed by finance companies.**

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page  
Category Banking & Credit  
Summary Requires a financing company doing business in this state to provide on its mailed or emailed statements to a consumer a conspicuously displayed telephone number that a consumer may contact for service. Specifies that failure to provide a conspicuously displayed telephone number as required is an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act of 1977.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 45 and Title 47, relative to financing services.

**SB131 Joint report on transportation equity fund.**

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John  
Category Taxes General  
Summary Adds the legislative librarian to the list of persons to whom the commissioners of revenue and transportation must provide a copy of their joint annual report summarizing the amount and source of tax revenues received and deposited during the preceding fiscal year in the transportation equity fund. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE SB 131 January 17, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises certain provisions of the Tennessee Code Annotatedwithout making substantive changes to current law.FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxation.

**SB132 State and local taxes to be excluded from calculation of interchange fees.**

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John  
Category Taxes Sales  
Summary Specifies that state and local taxes and fees are to be excluded from the calculation of interchange fees by payment card networks for electronic payment transactions. Specifies that such fees and taxes include sales and use taxes, hotel occupancy taxes, alcoholic beverage taxes, and rental vehicle surcharge taxes.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxes and fees collected by merchants and sellers.

**SB139/HB49 Extension to time to file franchise and excise tax return.**

Sponsors Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Cepicky, Scott

Category Taxes Business  
Summary Limits the commissioner of revenue to granting only one extension of time for a taxpayer to file a franchise and excise tax return. Broadly captioned.  
Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status 01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, relative to taxation.

**SB143/HB132 Commissioner of revenue's report on state board of equalization.**

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Keisling, Kelly  
Category Taxes General  
Summary Removes the requirement for the commissioner of revenue to provide a report to the general assembly that details the work of the state board of equalization. Broadly captioned.  
Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE HB 132 - SB 143 January 17, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises certain provisions of the Tennessee Code Annotatedwithout making substantive changes to current law.FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT  
Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to property taxes.

**SB144/HB138 Redesignates two bridges in state.**

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Howell, Dan  
Category Transportation General  
Summary Redesignates the SGT Michael P. Oliver Memorial Bridge to span Doe River in Carter County instead of a location in Franklin County. Redesignates the PFC Forrest Wells Memorial Bridge to span Hurricane Creek in Bedford County instead of Little Hurricane Creek. Broadly captioned.  
Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, relative to transportation infrastructure.

**SB155 Addition of legislative librarian to annual report by comptroller.**

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank  
Category Public Finance  
Summary Adds the legislative librarian to list of persons to whom the comptroller must provide the annual report on state lending programs and state credit support programs.  
Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE SB 155 January 17, 2023SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises certain provisions of the Tennessee Code Annotatedwithout making substantive changes to current law.FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT  
Senate Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the Senate  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9 and Title 45, relative to finance.

**SB159/HB184 Bureau of ethics and campaign finance - employment of assistant director and general counsel.**

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Whitson, Sam  
Category Campaigns & Lobbying



Summary Requires the board of directors of the bureau of ethics and campaign finance to appoint a full-time executive director. Provides that the executive director recommend the employment of an assistant director and general counsel with the board's approval, while all other employees of the bureau are employed by the executive director. Makes provisions for uncollected civil penalties levied against an individual or political action committee Requires persons and entities required to register with the registry of election finance or the Tennessee ethics commission to provide an email address, or a mailing address if no email address is available, for the purpose of serving notice upon the registrant. Describes the required style for registration forms and letters and requires that information must be published online.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/12/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 55, relative to the bureau of ethics and campaign finance.

**SB160/HB183**

**Political action committees.**

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Whitson, Sam  
Category Campaigns & Lobbying  
Summary Broadens the term "political action committee" to include "political campaign committees" and "multicandidate political campaign committees," which include clubs, corporations, associations or others groups that receive contributions and make expenditures, which, in the aggregate exceed \$2000, to support of oppose two or more candidates in a calendar year. Outlines expenditure reporting requirements for political action committees and updates candidate obligations regarding contributions and reporting. Provides that all sworn complaints on a report of a candidate for state public office, a political action committee contributing to such a candidate, or a political action committee registered with the registry of election finance must be filed in that office. Directs that office to conduct a preliminary review to determine if further action is warranted. Outlines requirements of a district attorney investigating sworn complaints. Changes from July 1 to January 15 the date by which the registry must provide an annual report to the govern and the general assembly.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/12/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10; Title 3, Chapter 6; Title 4, Chapter 55; Title 8, Chapter 50, Part 5 and Title 57, relative to campaign finance.

**SB173/HB247**

**Business tax exemption.**

Sponsors Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Barrett, Jody  
Category Taxes Business  
Summary Exempts services or people engaged in the appraisal of real estate or real property from business tax.

Senate Status 01/12/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/17/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 7, relative to business tax.

**SB175/HB162**

**Report on placards issued to transporters of manufactured homes.**

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Moon, Jerome  
Category Transportation Vehicles  
Summary Requires the department of transportation to submit a brief written summary to the transportation committee of the house of representatives and the transportation and safety

committee of the senate no later than March 15 annually concerning placards issued to transporters of manufactured homes, including data on unsafe and erratic driving reported to the department using the telephone number that appears on the placards.

Senate Status 01/13/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55; Title 62; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to manufactured homes.

**SB180 Removal of automobile declared a total loss from repair facility's property.**

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky  
Category Insurance Automobiles  
Summary Requires an insurer or insured individual to remove an automobile deemed a total loss from a repair facility's property within five business days of the date upon which the automobile is deemed a total loss. Specifies additional requirements and penalties related to the requirement. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 01/13/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56 and Title 66, relative to automobiles.

**SB203/HB134 Campaign financial disclosure exemptions - churches and other religious organizations.**

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Haston, Kirk  
Category Campaigns & Lobbying  
Summary Exempts churches and other religious organizations from the Campaign Finance Disclosure Act of 1980 when expending funds in favor of or in opposition to issue measures related to questions of public or private morality, including alcohol, drugs, abortion, marriage, or gambling.

Senate Status 01/17/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2- 10-101, relative to financial disclosure.

**SB207/HB254 Tax relief for elderly, low-income homeowners.**

Sponsors Sen. Lowe, Adam; Rep. Raper, Kevin  
Category Taxes Property  
Summary Increases, from \$27,000 to \$50,000, the maximum market value on which property tax relief is calculated for elderly, low-income homeowners.

Senate Status 01/18/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/18/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 7, relative to property tax relief.

**SB210/HB180 Exceeding vehicle weight limits - vehicles operated by electric motors.**

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Howell, Dan  
Category Transportation Vehicles  
Summary Adds weight limit exception criteria for vehicles operated by electric motors similar to the criteria for vehicles operated by an engine fueled primarily by natural gas. Stipulates that, to the extent required by federal law, a vehicle operated by electric motors may exceed vehicle

weight limits, up to a maximum gross vehicle weight of 82,000 pounds, by an amount that is equal to the difference between the batteries used to power the electric motors.

Senate Status 01/18/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/12/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 7, relative to electric vehicles.

**SB212 Businesses that register at least 15,000 motor vehicles annually.**

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack  
Category Transportation Vehicles  
Summary Increases from 24 months to 36 months the period for which vehicle registrations by businesses that register at least 15,000 vehicles annually and that are engaged in the rental of motor vehicles, trucks, and trailers may be issued. Specifies that the fees must be in an amount to offset the revenue that would otherwise be generated by 12-month registration fees.

Senate Status 01/18/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-104, relative to vehicle registrations.

**SB232/HB25 TDOT to report recommendations for improvement for transportation services for passengers with disabilities.**

Sponsors Sen. Yarbrow, Jeff; Rep. Freeman, Bob  
Category Transportation Vehicles  
Summary Requires the department of transportation to report by February 1, 2024, to the house transportation committee and the senate safety committee on recommendations for change to improve transportation services for passengers with disabilities.

Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE HB 25 January 12, 2023 SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) to report, on or before February 1, 2024, to the Transportation Committee of the House of Representatives and the Transportation and Safety Committee of the Senate on any recommendations for changes which would improve transportation services for passengers with disabilities. FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 51, Part 10, relative to transportation services.

**SB253/HB72 Preservation of leases on appropriate electronic or storage media.**

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category Media & Publishing  
Summary Removes a requirement to preserve leases to which the state is a party on microfilm and instead requires preservation of such leases on appropriate electronic or other storage media.

Fiscal Note TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE HB 72 January 19, 2023 SUMMARY OF BILL: Removes the requirement that all records concerning private or public lands be stored on microfilms by the Secretary of State (SOS), and instead allows for storage on any appropriate media storage material. FISCAL IMPACT: NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status 01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 10-7-303 and Section 12-2-108, relative to the preservation of leases.

**SB254/HB73**                    **Maximum potential penalties for OSHA violations to match federal law.**  
Sponsors                    Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category                      Labor Law  
Summary                       Updated the maximum potential penalties for violations of the Tennessee Occupational Safety and Health Act to match those allowed under federal law.  
Senate Status                01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status                01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption                        AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 3, Part 4, relative to occupational safety and health penalties.

**SB259/HB78**                    **Proof of financial responsibility to be maintained during suspension of license.**  
Sponsors                    Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category                      Transportation Vehicles  
Summary                       Requires proof of financial responsibility be maintained for the period of a driver license's suspension or revocation rather than for a period of three years in order for a person's registration to not be suspended or revoked when the commissioner of safety suspends or revokes the person's license by reason of a conviction. Makes other revisions related to compliance with proof of financial responsibility requirements, including revisions to the revocation or suspension of a nonresident's operating privileges in the state.  
Senate Status                01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status                01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption                        AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 12, Part 1 and Section 55-50-303, relative to driver licenses.

**SB260/HB79**                    **Delinquency penalty - businesses with a motor vehicle fleet of 200 or more vehicles.**  
Sponsors                    Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category                      Transportation Vehicles  
Summary                       Extends the delinquency penalty deadline period from 30 days to 60 days from businesses that maintain a fleet of at least 200 motor vehicles that has contracted with the department of revenue to provide proper tilting and registration to comply with certification of title requirements. Broadly captioned.  
Senate Status                01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status                01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption                        AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 55; Title 57 and Title 65, relative to transportation.

**SB263/HB82**                    **Changes to Worker's Compensation Law.**  
Sponsors                    Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category                      Workers Compensation  
Summary                       Makes various changes to the Workers' Compensation Law including award timeframes, attorney's fees, payment of medical expenses, and benefits of settlements. Broadly captioned.  
Senate Status                01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status                01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
Caption                        AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, relative to workers' compensation.

**SB272/HB320**      **Definition of industrial machinery - Megasite Authority of West TN.**  
Sponsors      Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category      Taxes Sales  
Summary      Clarifies that machinery, equipment, and associated parts used by the department of general services or a contracted entity for the Megasite Authority of West Tennessee is included in the definition of "industrial machinery" for purposes of sales and use taxes.  
  
Senate Status      01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status      01/20/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-102, relative to industrial machinery.

**SB273/HB321**      **Composition of selection committee awarding construction manager/general contractor services contracts.**  
Sponsors      Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category      Transportation General  
Summary      Decreases from eight to five, the number of members appointed by the commissioner of transportation to the selection committee that evaluates and scores requests for proposal when selecting and awarding a construction manager/general contractor services contract.  
  
Senate Status      01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status      01/20/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29, Part 2; Section 12-2-112; Title 54 and Title 55, relative to transportation.

**SB275/HB323**      **Report concerning the review of credits allowed for certain taxes submitted by ECD.**  
Sponsors      Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category      Taxes Business  
Summary      Authorizes the commissioner of economic and community development to submit electronically the report concerning the review of credits allowed for certain taxes that is conducted every four years to the governor, the speaker of the house of representatives, the speaker of the senate, the finance, ways and means committees of both chambers, and the office of legislative budget analysis. Broadly captioned.  
  
Senate Status      01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status      01/20/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxation.

**SB280/HB328**      **Biennial reports from designated state agencies regarding federal financial assistance.**  
Sponsors      Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William  
Category      Public Finance  
Summary      Authorizes biennial reports from designated state agencies regarding federal financial assistance to be filed electronically with the general assembly. Broadly captioned.  
  
Senate Status      01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
House Status      01/20/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption      AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 9, relative to funds administered by state government entities.

**SB283/HB307 Pilot program to award grants to students pursuing a quality non-degree credential.**

Sponsors Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Cepicky, Scott  
 Category Education  
 Summary Requires the board of regents to develop and administer a two-year pilot program to award grants to students enrolled in an eligible program and to students pursuing a Quality non-degree credential (QNDC). Specifies student eligibility requirements for grants. Requires the board of regents to submit a report on the outcomes of the pilot program to the higher education commission, the education committee of the senate, and the education committees of the house of representatives no later than June 30, 2025. Prohibits the board of regents from using net proceeds of the state lottery to fund grants awarded pursuant to this section and requires funds to be appropriated from the general fund.

Senate Status 01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
 House Status 01/19/23 - Filed for Introduction  
 Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to workforce training programs.

**HB33 Proration of property taxes for property that is destroyed or damaged by a disaster.**

Sponsors Rep. Thompson, Dwayne  
 Category Taxes Property  
 Summary Specifies that countywide emergency response frameworks must include assessors of property at the option of an assessor to monitor events related to disasters or emergencies that have affected or have the potential to affect the condition of real or personal property within assessors' jurisdictions. Requires assessors of property to be notified when county or municipal governments within their jurisdiction conduct FEMA preliminary damage assessments. Authorizes a county or municipal governing body to adopt by two-thirds vote a provision to allow proration of property taxes for tangible personal property that is destroyed, demolished, or substantially damaged as a result of a disaster.

House Status 01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
 Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property assessment.

**HB34 Shelby County - landlord registration.**

Sponsors Rep. Thompson, Dwayne  
 Category Property & Housing  
 Summary Requires residential landlords in Shelby County to furnish certain information to the agency or department of local government that is responsible for enforcing building codes in the jurisdiction where the dwelling units are located.

House Status 01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.  
 Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, relative to landlord registration.

**HB52 Notice requirement for land surveyors conducting boundary surveys.**

Sponsors Rep. Hale, Michael  
 Category Property & Housing  
 Summary Expands notice requirement for land surveyors conducting boundary surveys by requiring them to notify all adjoining landowners of the survey rather than just when the surveyor discovers or

reasonably should have discovered discrepancies between the deed descriptions of the adjoining owners. Specifies that notice be sent by certified mail to the current address used for mailing property tax notices within five business days of the completion of the survey.

House Status 01/11/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 18, Part 1, relative to land surveyors.

**HB87 Safety chains for trailers - increase in fines for violations.**

Sponsors Rep. Marsh, Pat

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Increases, from \$50 to \$100, the minimum fine for second and subsequent violations of the offense of failure to attach a trailer, semitrailer, or pole trailer to a towing vehicle by a chain. Broadly captioned.

House Status 01/12/23 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 47; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 65 and Title 66, relative to transportation.

**HB105 Fee limits under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.**

Sponsors Rep. Thompson, Dwayne

Category Property & Housing

Summary Increases from \$10 to \$250 per year, the limit on the fee that an agency or department of local government responsible for enforcing building codes in the jurisdiction where the landlord's dwelling units are located may charge the landlord for registering with the agency or government. Increases from \$50 to \$100 per week, the fine that a landlord who fails to register.

House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House

Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, relative to the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

**HB124 Personal trailer registration.**

Sponsors Rep. Leatherwood, Tom

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Requires the registration of personal trailers, including those used for the transportation of boats, other trailers, or semitrailer drawn by an automobile or truck.

House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House

Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, relative to registration of trailers.

**HB125 Exemption - trailers moved to another state after purchase.**

Sponsors Rep. Leatherwood, Tom

Category Taxes Sales

Summary Exempts from sales tax the retail sale of trailers that are removed for registration and use in another state within three days of purchase.

House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House

Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 6, Part 3, relative to trailers.

**HB157 Elimination of business tax.**

Sponsors Rep. Baum, Charlie  
Category Taxes Business  
Summary Eliminates the business tax for tax periods that begin on or after January 1, 2024. Broadly captioned.  
House Status 01/12/23 - Introduced in the House  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7- 52-606; Section 38-1-201; Section 39-17-1806; Section 50-6-904; Section 58-2-205; Section 58-2- 204; Section 62-44-102 and Title 67, relative to business tax.

**HB244 Property tax relief for elderly low-income homeowners.**

Sponsors Rep. Hale, Michael  
Category Taxes Property  
Summary Increases income eligibility limits for property tax relief for elderly low-income homeowners and disabled homeowners from \$24,000 to \$36,600 beginning tax year 2024. Increases income eligibility limits for property tax relief for elderly low-income homeowners under the Property Tax Freeze Act to \$36,600. Increases the full market value limit on which property tax reimbursement is calculated for eligible elderly low-income homeowners and disabled homeowners to \$35,000. Increases the full market value limit on which property tax reimbursement is calculated for disabled veteran and surviving spouse homeowners to \$200,000.  
House Status 01/17/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 7, relative to property tax relief.

**HB261 Department of revenue - providing info about special license plates with a website renewal.**

Sponsors Rep. Marsh, Pat  
Category Transportation Vehicles  
Summary Authorizes the department of revenue to provide information about special license plates with a website renewal, send other notifications about these plates by electronic means, and provide information about these plates through other web-based means.  
House Status 01/18/23 - Filed for Introduction  
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to license plates.