

# Legislative Recap: Week of April 19th

The 112<sup>th</sup> General Assembly reconvened on Monday to continue working toward adjournment for the year. In the Senate, the standing committees on Judiciary, Commerce and Insurance, and Appropriations Subcommittee adjourned for the year subject to the call of the chair. The adjournments leave only the Senate Government Operations and Finance, Ways & Means committees open. Meanwhile, House members were able to close the following committees this week: Criminal Justice Subcommittee, Civil Justice Committee, Insurance Committee, and Health Committee. The House's committee adjournments leave open only the State Government, Local Government, Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee, and Finance, Ways & Means full committee. Both chambers are scheduled to hold floor sessions on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday next week, as rumors circulate of an early May adjournment.

#### **Recent Headlines:**

#### WBIR: TN lawmakers honor Dolly Parton for her contributions to children's literacy

Tennessee lawmakers unanimously passed a resolution honoring Dolly Parton for her contributions to children's literacy. The resolution calls Dolly "one of Tennessee's most beloved and accomplished daughters, a supremely gifted and multi-talented writer, entertainer, and businesswoman whose compassionate spirit is at the heart of all she does and whose philanthropy has touched the lives of millions around the world.

#### WJHL: Career Technical Education bill could provide opportunities for middle schoolers

A bill that is headed to Tennessee Gov. Bill Lee's desk would provide for Career Technical Education (CTE) opportunities for middle school students. Rep. Tim Hicks sponsored the bill, which has passed already in the House and the Senate. "I think this will sort of help them find their niche," Hicks said. It will make high school a whole lot better. You find something you really want to learn. I think that's the big goal of this." Dean Blevins, president of Tennessee College of Applied Technology (TCAT), oversees CTE programming for adults and high schoolers.

# The Volunteer Times: Gov. Lee Appoints Two Additional Members To Financial Stimulus Accountability Group

Today, Tennessee Governor Bill Lee announced the addition of Senator Ferrell Haile and Representative Patsy Hazlewood to the Financial Stimulus Accountability Group (FSAG). The bipartisan group will continue its work to support Tennessee's economy and ensure proper fiscal management of federal relief funds, meeting publicly and reporting regularly to bring transparency to the process. "As Tennessee's strong economic recovery continues, we must ensure federal dollars coming to our state are used wisely and effectively," said Gov. Bill Lee. "I thank Sen. Haile, Rep. Hazlewood and all members of this group for their valuable input as we steward these resources and serve Tennesseans."

# **Your 2021 Tracked Legislation:**

SB100/HB112 Creates model employer program for qualified individuals with disabilities.

**Sponsors** Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Moody, Debra

Labor Law Category

Summary Establishes the state as a model employer program. Ensures state agencies and departments

implement the best policies for the recruitment, hiring, advancement, and retention of qualified

individuals with disabilities.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2021) Increase State Expenditures - \$196,400/FY21-22 \$188,400/FY22-23 and

Subsequent Years

Senate Status 04/22/21 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 04/27/21. **House Status** 04/14/21 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 50, relative to employment. Caption

#### SB115/HB116 Disqualification from driving commercial motor vehicles after conviction for

trafficking offense.

**Sponsors** Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Category **Transportation Vehicles** 

Summary Suspends for life a commercial motor vehicle operator who has been convicted of the offense of

> trafficking for a commercial sex act or an equivalent offense in another jurisdiction. Disqualifies for life persons convicted of trafficking for a commercial sex act from obtaining a commercial

driver license.

Amendment Senate amendment 1 (004090) deletes and replaces language, such that the legislation suspends, Summary

permanently, persons convicted of a human trafficking offense, rather than trafficking for a

commercial sex act, from obtaining or possessing a commercial driver license.

Subcommittee TransportationSub03.02.21.pdf

Amendments

Fiscal Note (Dated January 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004090).

**House Status** 03/22/21 - House passed.

04/16/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0112 effective April 13, 2021. **Executive Status** 

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 3 and Title 55, Chapter

50, relative to lifetime disqualification from driving commercial motor vehicles after conviction for

trafficking offense.

#### SB139/HB127 Number of days used in calculating the penalty for a business entity's

delinguency.

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

**Transportation Vehicles** Category

Summary Changes the number of days, from 30 to 45, used in calculating the penalty for a business entity's

delinquency in forwarding required contract documents related to fleet vehicles to the

department of revenue. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Senate amendment 1 (004697) deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause except Summary

for the effective date section. Authorizes a recovery vehicle, when responding to an emergency call received from a law enforcement agency, to operate on the shoulder or right-of-way of a

state highway.

TransportationSub03.23.21.pdf Subcommittee

Amendments

Fiscal Note (Dated January 27, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

03/29/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004697). Senate Status

**House Status** 04/12/21 - House passed. Executive Status 04/22/21 - Sent to governor.

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.

SB140/HB125 Veteran designation on driver license.

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

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary States that any department of defense or military branch form that shows the dates of service and

indicates the applicant received an honorable discharge may be submitted by an applicant to have

a veteran designation on his or her driver license. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 13, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/15/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 01/14/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title 67, relative to

transportation.

SB141/HB126 Definition of disabled driver revised.

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

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Deletes references to ambulatory disability certifications being made by Christian Science

practitioners from the definition of "disabled driver." Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/15/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 01/14/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title 67,

relative to transportation.

SB154/HB101 Clarifies that a motorized wheelchair is not a motor vehicle for purposes of the

rules of the road.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Jernigan, Darren

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Clarifies that a motorized wheelchair is not a motor vehicle for purposes of the rules of the road,

accidents, and crimes involving motor vehicles. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 8, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/01/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/15/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/06/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0056 effective March 29, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, relative to motor vehicles.

SB175/HB58 Changes holding period for properties held by banks.

Sponsors Sen. Lundberg, Jon; Rep. Haston, Kirk

Category Banking & Credit

Summary Changes the permitted holding period by a bank for non-real-property acquired in satisfaction of

a loan from six months to twelve months.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/15/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/08/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/06/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0078 effective March 31, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 45, relative to property held by banks.

SB183/HB400 TDOT report on placards issued to transporters of manufactured homes.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Boyd, Clark

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. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 02/10/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55; Title 62; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to

manufactured homes.

SB186/HB172 Vaccinations as a condition of employment.

Sponsors Sen. Bowling, Janice; Rep. Hulsey, Bud

Category Labor Law

Summary Prohibits state and local government entities from requiring vaccinations as a condition of

employment. Provides unemployment benefits to a claimant who voluntarily leaves employment

because the employer requires vaccination and the claimant refused to be vaccinated.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 14, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact - The proposed legislation will increase payout of

Workers Compensation benefits for state or local government employees that leave employment due to refusal of a vaccine when a vaccine or immunization is required; however, the number of employees who will claim these benefits or the increase in state expenditures for payout of such

benefits cannot be estimated with any reasonable certainty.

Senate Status 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 30; Title 8, Chapter 50; Title 50,

Chapter 1 and Title 50, Chapter 7, relative to vaccinations.

SB195/HB1577 Increases minimum wage to \$12.00 per hour.

Sponsors Sen. Robinson, Katrina; Rep. Miller, Larry

Category Labor Law

Summary Increases the minimum hourly wage for employees within the state from \$7.25 to \$12.00 per hour. Fiscal Note (Dated March 26, 2021) Increase State Expenditures \$2,680,400/FY21-22/General Fund Exceeds

\$5,360,800/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years/General Fund Exceeds \$440,000/FY21-22/Higher Education Institutions Exceeds \$880,000/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years/ Higher Education Institutions Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$275,000/FY21-22\* Exceeds \$550,000/FY22-23

and Subsequent Years\*

Senate Status 03/30/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/01/21 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 2, relative to the minimum wage.

SB200 Removes prohibition on local governments enacting rent control and

inclusionary zoning regulations.

Sponsors Sen. Gilmore, Brenda Category Local Government Summary Removes the statewide prohibition on local governments enacting rent control and inclusionary

zoning regulations.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 20, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 35, relative to local housing

regulations.

## SB215/HB131 Definition of tangible personal property.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Category Taxes Sales

Summary Clarifies that the definition of "tangible personal property" does not include mains, pipes, pipelines,

or tanks after they have become attached to a building, or other structure, or installed underground for conducting steam, heat, water, wastewater, oil, electricity, gas, or any property, substance, or product capable of transportation or conveyance therein or that is protected thereby, except for propane tanks for residential use and above ground storage tanks that can be moved without

disassembly and are not affixed.

Amendment Summary Senate amendment 1 (004857) adds language to the original bill such that the only substantive changes are to exclude railroad-related structures and improvements from the definition of

â tangible personal propertyâ and defines them as â realtyâ with regard to the sales and

use tax.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 23, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/18/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004857).

House Status 03/25/21 - House concurred in Senate amendment 1 (004857). Executive 04/12/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0086 effective July 1, 2021.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxes.

# SB221/HB370 Quarantine procedures - creation of new committee to handle implementation.

Sponsors Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Casada, Glen

Category Health Care

Summary Requires the department of health to establish a committee to determine when and how

quarantine and disease communication tracking procedures should be implemented within 24 hours of a state of emergency being declared. Removes quarantine authority from health commissioner and county health officer. Requires county health departments to publish data

regarding epidemic testing.

Amendment Summary House Health Subcommittee amendment 1 (006789) deletes all original language in the bill.

Establishes information that county health departments are required to publish on the department of health website within five business days of quarantine and disease tracking procedures being implemented in response to a state of emergency and weekly thereafter until the state of emergency is no longer active. Includes total tests administered, total positive tests, types of tests used, number of cases with the type of each test, number of asymptomatic cases and the number of symptomatic cases. Senate Government Operations Committee amendment 1, House Health Committee amendment 1 (007113) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Requires, in the event of a declared state of emergency due to a disease outbreak, epidemic, or pandemic, that each county health department report to the Department of Health (DOH) within five days of a quarantine and any disease communication tracking procedures being implemented in response to the state of emergency and to report weekly thereafter, information relative to the form of testing utilized, the number of cases and the related symptoms, if any, of the disease. Requires the DOH to publish the required reported information from each of the counties on the

DOHâ s website so that the information is publicly accessible.

Subcommittee Amendments Health Sub 04.06.21.pdf

Fiscal Note (Dated February 8, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/14/21 - Senate Government Operations Committee recommended with amendment 1

(007113). Sent to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status 04/22/21 - Set for House Government Operations Committee 04/26/21.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 68, relative to quarantine

procedures.

SB237/HB501 Filing dates for campaign finance disclosures.

Sponsors Sen. Gardenhire, Todd; Rep. Rudd, Tim

Category Campaigns & Lobbying

Summary Expands requirements for reporting all contributions and expenditures in detail. Reduces the

number of filing dates for campaign finance disclosures to quarterly in election years and

semiannually in non-election years.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 24, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/14/21 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 03/15/21 - House passed.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, relative to campaign financial

disclosures.

SB239/HB498 Filing of pre-primary and pre-general election statements.

Sponsors Sen. Gardenhire, Todd; Rep. Rudd, Tim

Category Campaigns & Lobbying

Summary Removes requirement to file pre-primary and pre-general election statements for candidates for

state public office and political campaign committees for state elections. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/10/21 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, relative to campaign finance.

SB247/HB236 Fees charged for driver license issuance.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Littleton, Mary

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Authorizes entities contracting with the department of safety for the issuance of driver licenses to

charge an additional \$1.00 fee per driver license issued. Requires the department to distribute to contracting entities \$3.00 per each REAL ID compliant driver license issued by the entity until June 30, 2022. Specifies that all fees received by contracting entities for issuing licenses are to be retained by the contracting entity for administrative costs and shall not revert to the general fund

at the end of the fiscal year.

Amendment Senate Transportation & Safety Committee amendment 1, House Transportation Subcommittee Summary amendment 1 (004649) adds language to specify that DOS is required to use federal CARES Act

amendment 1 (004649) adds language to specify that DOS is required to use federal CARES Act funds available to DOS as a source of payment, to the extent permissible under federal law and

state appropriations.

Subcommittee <u>TransportationSub03.30.21.pdf</u>

Amendments

Fiscal Note (Dated March 4, 2021) Increase State Expenditures - \$365,100/FY21-22/Driver Services Increase

Local Revenue - \$479,300/FY21-22 \$214,700/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years/Permissive

Senate Status 04/22/21 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 04/27/21. House Status 04/21/21 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-50-331, relative to issuance of driver

licenses.

SB261/HB1078 Requires compensation of accrued vacation for former employees of certain

private employers.

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Sexton, Jerry

Category Labor Law

Summary Requires certain private employers to include in the final wages of a former employee accrued

vacation pay or other compensatory time. Voids a provision in a company policy or labor

agreement providing to the contrary.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 2, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/30/21 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to 04/06/21.

House Status 03/31/21 - Taken off notice in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8 and Title 50,

relative to employment.

SB275/HB369 Contracting performed by unlicensed persons.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul; Rep. Williams, Ryan

Category Professions & Licensure

Summary Sets requirements for exemptions from contractor licensing requirements for real property owners

who intend to construct a residential building on that real property. Requires notice of construction

made to the board for licensing contractors and the register of deeds.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 23, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/12/21 - Re-referred to Senate Calendar Committee.

House Status 03/29/21 - House passed.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13; Title 62, Chapter 6 and Title 66, relative to

contracting performed by unlicensed persons.

SB284/HB1143 Penalty for a third or subsequent conviction of driving on a license that is

suspended or revoked.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul; Rep. Grills, Rusty

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary increases the penalty for a third or subsequent conviction of driving on a license that is canceled,

suspended, or revoked to a Class E felony. Current law specifies that the penalty is a Class A

misdemeanor.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 1, 2021) Increase State Expenditures \$4,337,700 Incarceration\* Decrease Local

Expenditures \$359,100/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 04/22/21 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 04/27/21.

House Status 04/22/21 - Set for House Criminal Justice Committee 04/27/21.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13 and Title 55, relative to driver

licenses.

SB288/HB344 Revises the definition of "blighted area" for purposes of redevelopment projects

by housing authorities.

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Carr, Dale

Category Property & Housing

Summary Revises the definition of "blighted area" for purposes of redevelopment projects by housing

authorities. Clarifies that housing authorities may acquire real property through a negotiated sale, without the use of eminent domain. Authorizes housing authorities to pay more than fair market

value for properties that are not blighted but that are in a blighted area.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 26, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact The extent and timing of any permissive impact to

local government revenue and expenditures cannot reasonably be determined due to multiple

unknown factors.

Senate Status 02/08/21 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/21 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 20; Title 13, Chapter 21 and Title 29,

Chapter 17, relative to housing authorities.

# SB313 Written notice of landlord's tenant selection criteria and the grounds for which a rental application may be denied.

Sponsors Sen. Gilmore, Brenda Category Property & Housing

Summary Specifies that at the time an applicant is provided with a rental application, the landlord is required to

provide the applicant with written notice of the landlord's tenant selection criteria and the grounds for which the rental application may be denied. Specifies if a landlord denies an applicant and the landlord has not provided the written notice then the landlord shall return the applicant's application fee,

security deposit, and any other fee or deposit.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 3, 2021) Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$100,000/FY20-21\*

Senate 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13 and Title 66, relative to residential rental

property.

## SB315 Removes statewide prohibition on local governments enacting inclusionary

zoning regulations.

Sponsors Sen. Gilmore, Brenda Category Local Government

Summary Deletes the statewide prohibition on local governments enacting inclusionary zoning regulations.

Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 26, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 35, relative to local housing

regulations.

# SB317/HB437 Regulates the use of installment land contracts for the conveyance of real

property.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Haston, Kirk

Category Property & Housing

Summary Regulates the use of installment land contracts for the conveyance of real property. Specifies that

this bill is not applicable to the sale of land by the state or a political subdivision of the state (27

pp.).

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/06/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee. House Status 02/10/21 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to transfers of real property.

## SB344/HB421 Industrial loan and thrift companies - fees charged for servicing loans.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Banking & Credit

Summary Increases existing fees, and adds additional fees, that an industrial loan and thrift company,

industrial investment company, or industrial bank may charge to service various loans.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/08/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/12/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0091 effective July 1, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 45, Chapter 5, relative to industrial loan and

thrift companies.

SB375/HB1009 Reporting on total annual amount of industrial machinery franchise and excise

tax credits.

Sponsors Sen. Yager, Ken; Rep. Hicks, Gary

Category Taxes Business

Summary Requires commissioner of revenue to report in writing to the finance, ways and means committees

of the senate and the house of representatives by February 1, 2022, the total annual amount of

industrial machinery franchise and excise tax credits for fiscal years 2016-2021.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 2, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/22/21 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 04/27/21. House Status 04/22/21 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 04/28/21.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 20 and Title 67, Chapter 4,

Part 21, relative to franchise and excise taxes.

SB379/HB1282 Sick and family leave policies for local government employees.

Sponsors Sen. Campbell, Heidi; Rep. Beck, Bill

Category Local Government

Summary Deletes language in current law that prohibits a local government from mandating that an

employer doing business with the local government or within its jurisdictional boundaries establish and maintain leave policies that deviate from, modifies, changes, or varies in any manner from

state statutorily imposed or recognized requirements.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/23/21 - Failed in Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 03/30/21 - Taken off notice in House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 51, relative to leave policies.

SB416/HB564 Claimant for unemployment benefits - eligibility requirements.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Category Labor Law

Summary Removes the requirement that a claimant for unemployment benefits be determined and certified

as eligible for the three consecutive weeks following the initial waiting period. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 27, 2021) Increase State Expenditures - \$10,000,000/Unemployment Insurance

Trust Fund /FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 03/09/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/10/21 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 7, relative to employment.

SB420/HB551 Essential Wages for Essential Workers Act.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Category Labor Law

Summary Creates the Essential Wages for Essential Workers Act. Requires each employer in this state to pay

each employee that is an essential worker an hourly wage of at least 15 dollars. Amount increases to

20 dollars per hour by July 1, 2022.

Fiscal Note (Dated April 22, 2021) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$54,926,300/FY21-22 Exceeds

\$72,299,700/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years Exceeds \$10,000,000/FY21-22/Higher Education System

Exceeds \$18,000,000/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years/Higher Education System Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$8,000,000/FY21-22 Exceeds \$13,000,000/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years HB

551 SB 420 1

Senate Status 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50 and Title 58, relative to essential workers.

## SB421/HB681 Payment of franchise taxes by electronic funds transfer.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Hawk, David

Category Taxes Business

Summary Authorizes the commissioner of revenue to accept, subject to the commissioner's approval of a

request made by a taxpayer, payment of franchise taxes by electronic funds transfer, including, but not limited to, bank customer preauthorized payments, wire transfers or ACH credits, or such other

method as approved by the commissioner. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 13, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/21 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status 02/20/21 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxation.

# SB425/HB1379 Coverage of medical expenses - claims received by electronic submission.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Kumar, Sabi

Category Insurance Health

Summary Increases from 21 days to 30 days the time within which a health insurance entity must pay on or

notify a provider regarding a claim received by electronic submission. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary

t House Insurance Committee amendment 1 (006666) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Beginning January 1, 2023, requires health carriers that enter into, issue, amend or renew a health

insurance policy or plan, to provide coverage for the expenses of the diagnosis of infertility, fertility treatment, and standard fertility preservation services. Requires coverage to include: (1) three completed cycles of intrauterine insemination; (2) fertility treatment necessary to achieve two live births, or a maximum of three completed egg retrievals with unlimited fresh and frozen embryo transfers; (3) diagnosis of infertility; (4) standard fertility preservation services, including the procurement, cryopreservation, and storage of gametes, embryos, or other reproductive tissue, when the enrollee has a diagnosed medical condition, or genetic condition, that may directly or indirectly cause impairment of fertility now or in the future by affecting reproductive organs or processes; and (5) medical and laboratory services that reduce excess embryo creation through egg cryopreservation and thawing in accordance with an individual's religious or ethical beliefs. Requires coverage be limited to \$100,000 per enrollee for fertility treatment. Authorizes coverage for fertility treatment be limited to persons who are between 25 years of age and 42 years of age. Authorizes coverage for fertility preservation services be limited to persons who are 42 years of age or less. Prohibits health carriers from limiting benefits based on: (1) copayments, deductibles, coinsurances, benefit maximums, waiting periods, or other limitations on coverage that are different than maternity benefits provided by the health carrier; (2) exclusions, limitations, or other restrictions on coverage of fertility medications that are different from those

imposed on other prescription medications by the health carrier; (3) a requirement that provides different benefits to, or imposes different requirements upon, a class protected under title 4, chapter 21, than that provided to or required of other patients; or (4) a pre-existing condition exclusion, pre-existing condition waiting periods on coverage for required benefits, or prior

diagnosis of infertility, fertility treatment, or standard fertility preservation services. Requires coverage for the diagnosis of infertility, fertility treatment, and standard fertility preservation services in accordance with the standards or guidelines developed by the American Society for Reproductive Medicine, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, or the American Society of Clinical Oncology, when recommended by a physician as medically necessary. Establishes that making, issuing, circulating, or causing to be made, issued, or circulated, clinical guidelines that are based upon data that are not reasonably current or do not cite with specificity is an unfair and deceptive act and practice under the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act of 1977

(the Act).

Subcommittee

Insurance Subcommittee 03.23.21.pdf

Amendments

Fiscal Note (Dated February 5, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to first calendar of 2022.

House Status 04/22/21 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 04/28/21.

Executive Status 03/22/21 - Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance released to standing committees with

favorable comment after adopting amendment 1 (003694).

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 47, Chapter 18; Title 56 and Title 71,

relative to coverage of medical expenses.

# SB431 Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience Act.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul Category Energy & Mining

Summary Enacts the "Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience Act." Allows a local government

to establish a C-PACER program and designate a region within its boundaries as an area in which C-PACER activities are eligible. Defines "C-PACER program" to mean a commercial property assessed clean energy program. Specifies requirements for local government to establish such program and authorizes the local government to impose fees to offset the actual and reasonable costs of administering a program. Specifies that the fees may be assessed as part of the program application to be paid by the

property owner requesting to participate in the program. Specifies other requirements for

administration of the C-PACER program (17 pp).

02/09/21 - Withdrawn in Senate.

Senate

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5 and Title 68, relative to the

Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience Act.

## SB450/HB128 HOA rules regarding posting of signage by homeowner.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Howell, Dan

Category Property & Housing

Summary Prohibits homeowners' associations from adopting or enforcing provisions in a dedicatory

instrument that prohibits, or has the effect of prohibiting, a property owner from posting signage intended to protect the health or safety of the property owner, residents of the association, or other persons. Specifies that this section applies to dedicatory instruments created or amended on

or after July 1, 2017.

Amendment House amendment 1 (003986) deletes and rewrites language of the original bill such that the substantive changes: (1) limit applicability to signage posted to warn the public of health, safet

substantive changes: (1) limit applicability to signage posted to warn the public of health, safety, or dangerous natural conditions associated with water located on the property under certain conditions; and (2) changes the effective date from taking effect July 1, 2021, to upon becoming a

law

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Amendments

Fiscal Note (Dated February 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/15/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/08/21 - House passed with amendment 1 (003986).

Executive Status 04/06/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0080 effective March 31, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 27, relative to dedicatory

instruments.

SB459/HB177 Property managers bringing suit or testifying against tenants.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Russell, Lowell

Category Property & Housing

Amendment

Summary Authorizes property managers to bring suit or testify against tenants in the same manner as

landlords or owners of rental property. Defines "manager" to mean an individual, group, business, or organization hired by a landlord or owner to oversee the day-to-day operations of a premises. Senate amendment 1 (004516) deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that

Summary the only change removes the ability of a manager to bring suit against tenants.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 26, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/15/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004516).

House Status 03/25/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/12/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0100 effective July 1, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 16; Title 29 and Title 66, relative to

rental property.

SB462/HB596 Transportation Services District Act.

Sponsors Sen. Campbell, Heidi; Rep. Clemmons, John

Category Transportation General

Summary Enacts the "Transportation Services District Act,â creating transportation services district

consisting of certain counties, including Davidson County. Authorizes special allocation of surplus state tax revenue within district to eligible counties for transportation services. Specifies that the tax revenue allocation available applies to eligible counties that have filed an application with the commissioner of finance and administration and have received the approval of the commissioner. Requires the apportionment and distribution of state sales and use taxes to the eligible county to

commence at the beginning of the fiscal year after the approval of the application.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 24, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact Passage of this legislation will redistribute a

significant portion of General Fund sales and use tax revenue to counties within newly- created transportation services districts in any fiscal year in which actual state sales and use tax collections, derived from any district, exceed the budgeted amount of revenue for the district. Due to multiple unknown factors, the extent and timing of any such redistribution cannot be determined with

reasonable certainty.

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 03/09/21 - Taken off notice in House Transportation Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 54; Title 55 and

Title 67, relative to revenue.

SB474/HB855 Business Fairness Act.

Sponsors Sen. Powers, Bill; Rep. Powers, Dennis

Category Commercial Law

Summary Enacts the "Business Fairness Act," which allows businesses that comply with safety precautions and

guidelines issued by the government or other authorized agency during a state of emergency to continue or resume their business. Specifies that this applies when the threat to the public is a

pandemic, epidemic, bioterrorism event, infectious agent or biological toxin.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/25/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/29/21 - House passed. Executive 04/16/21 - Signed by governor.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, relative to the continuation of

business during states of emergency.

SB481/HB157 State tax revenue pertaining to National Hockey League franchises.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Beck, Bill

Category Taxes Sales

Summary Extends provisions related to the apportionment and distribution of state tax revenue as they

pertain to National Hockey League franchises until June 30, 2049.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 25, 2021) Forgone State Revenue Exceeds \$5,000,000/FY28-29 Exceeds

\$10,000,000/Each Year FY29-30 through FY48-49 Other Fiscal Impact Local revenue loss avoidance exceeding \$5,000,000 in FY28- 29 and exceeding \$10,000,000 in each year FY29-30 through FY48-49

for Metro Nashville for the exclusive use of its sports authority.

Senate Status 03/18/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 04/07/21 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxes.

# SB507/HB521 Recommendations through the employee misclassification education and

enforcement fund.

Sponsors Sen. Lundberg, Jon; Rep. Gant, Ron

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Requires the workers' compensation bureau, instead of the employee misclassification advisory task

force, to make recommendations to the general assembly regarding programs and services to be funded from the employee misclassification education and enforcement fund. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 5, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/10/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, relative to workers' compensation.

## SB525/HB949 Carbon monoxide alarms required for one and two-family rental units.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Littleton, Mary

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires landlords of one or two-family rental units with a fossil-fuel burning heater or appliance, a

fireplace, or other feature, fixture, or element that emits carbon monoxide to install carbon

monoxide alarms 10 feet from every bedroom. Makes it unlawful for anyone to tamper with carbon

monoxide alarms and adds the expectation of tenet to examine alarms to ensure they are in working order and notify the unit owner if they are not. Requires smoke alarms with tamper-resistant batteries that operate for a minimum of 10 years to replace existing smoke alarms in all in one-family, two-family, and multi-family residential dwellings constructed before July 1, 2021, if existing smoke alarms are more than 10 years old, is expired, is not working, or if tenants residing in

the unit change.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/06/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/31/21 - House Business & Utilities Subcommittee deferred to the first calendar of 2022.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 102; Title 68, Chapter 11 and Title

68, Chapter 120, relative to alarm devices.

## SB528/HB709 Organized Consumer Product Theft Protection Act.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Zachary, Jason

Category Commercial Law

Summary Enacts the "Organized Consumer Product Theft Protection Act," which requires online marketplaces

to require identification information from high-volume third-party sellers. Defines "online

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marketplaces" as an electronic platform that facilitates sales by third-party sellers and hosts one or more third-party sellers. Defines "high-volume third-party seller" as a participant in an online marketplace who enter into 200 or more sales resulting in at least \$5,000 of gross revenue over a contiguous 12 month period in the last 24 months. Requires that verification information include bank account, contact, business tax identification and advertising information. Requires the online marketplace to verify the information within three days. Mandates the public disclosure of specific contact information of the third-party seller. States that violations of this act are violations of the

Consumer Protection Act of 1977.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 25, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/30/21 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to first calendar of 2022.

House Status 03/31/21 - House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee deferred to first calendar of 2022.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18, relative to the Organized

Consumer Product Theft Protection Act.

SB545/HB663 Quarterly profit and loss statements of TRICOR.

Sponsors Sen. White, Dawn; Rep. Carringer, Michele

Category Corrections

Summary Removes requirement that the comptroller of the treasury approve quarterly profit and loss

statements of TRICOR's operation prior to the release of such statements for publication.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 23, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/15/21 - Senate passed. House Status 04/12/21 - House passed. Executive Status 04/22/21 - Sent to governor.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-22-123, relative to TRICOR.

SB546/HB664 Department of revenue - work of the state board of equalization on report to

general assembly.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Crawford, John

Category Taxes General

Summary Deletes requirement that the commissioner include information on the work of the state board of

equalization in the commissioner's report to the general assembly concerning a study of tax laws.

Broadly Captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/11/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to property taxes.

SB549/HB34 Authorizes THDA to provide affordable housing to displaced tenants.

Sponsors Sen. Kyle, Sara; Rep. Cooper, Barbara

Category Property & Housing

Summary Authorizes the THDA to provide eligible displaced tenants who have been denied requests for

housing or housing repairs by local governmental entities with affordable housing and services.

Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 03/23/21 - Taken off notice in House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 21; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13, Caption

Chapter 23 and Title 66, Chapter 7, relative to displaced tenants.

SB550/HB797 **Tennessee Minimum Wage Act.** 

Sponsors Sen. Kyle, Sara; Rep. Chism, Jesse

Labor Law Category

Summary Enacts the "Tennessee Minimum Wage Act," which establishes a schedule for annual minimum

> wage increases beginning on January 1, 2022. Provides a minimum wage of (1) \$9.25 per hour in 2022; (2) \$10.00 per hour in 2023; (3) \$11.00 per hour in 2024; and (4) \$12.00 per hour in 2025. Authorizes the department to promulgate rules and regulations in compliance with federal law.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 20, 2021) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$1,431,700/FY21-22/General Fund

Exceeds \$1,940,500/FY22-23/General Fund Exceeds \$2,991,000/FY23-24/General Fund Exceeds \$5,573,400/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/General Fund Exceeds \$250,000/FY21-22/Higher Education Institutions Exceeds \$500,000/FY22-23/Higher Education Institutions Exceeds \$750,000/FY23-24/Higher Education Institutions Exceeds \$1,000,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/ Higher Education Institutions Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$200,000/FY21-22 Exceeds

\$350,000/FY22-23 Exceeds \$550,000/FY23-24 Exceeds \$700,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 03/23/21 - Failed in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee for lack of a second. **House Status** 02/20/21 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 2, relative to wages.

SB566/HB676 Removes the dollar limits to the aggregate value of homestead exemptions.

**Sponsors** Sen. Bowling, Janice; Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Category Property & Housing

Summary Removes the limit to the aggregate value of a homestead exemption. Creates a limit to the

exemption to not exceed five acres in the area.

Amendment Senate amendment 1 (005816) deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause. Summary Effective January 1, 2022, increases various levels of homestead exemptions which may be

claimed by various property owners. Deletes homestead exemptions which may be claimed by

certain property owners.

Subcommittee Civil Sub Amdts 03.30.21.pdf

Amendments

**Fiscal Note** (Dated March 25, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/14/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (005816).

**House Status** 04/21/21 - House passed.

**Executive Status** 04/21/21 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 26, Chapter 2, Part 3, relative to homestead

exemptions.

SB577/HB704 Definition of contractor under the Contractors Licensing Act of 1994.

**Sponsors** Sen. Crowe, Rusty; Rep. Hicks, Tim

Category **Professions & Licensure** 

Revises the definition of "contractor" for purposes of the Contractors Licensing Act of 1994 to say Summary

> that a contractor does not include a person who erects or installs an on-premises device, digital display, or other improvement to a property or structure that is primarily intended to serve as advertising, and for which compensation is not being received and not intended to be received by

the owner or occupant of the property or structure. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed. **House Status** 04/05/21 - House passed.

Executive 04/22/21 - Signed by governor.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, relative to contractors.

SB590/HB1069 Selling of goods manufactured by inmates.

Sponsors Sen. Jackson, Ed; Rep. Eldridge, Rick

Category Corrections

Summary Authorizes TRICOR to sell goods, wares, and merchandise manufactured by inmates to private

nonprofit corporations and charitable organizations in this state if the TRICOR board determines the sale is in the best interests of the state and does not unfairly compete with private sector businesses. Requires the inmates making the goods for resale to private nonprofit corporations and charitable organizations to be paid an appropriate wage so that the products do not unfairly

compete with private sector businesses.

Amendment House amendment 1 (003957) allows the sale of goods manufactured by inmates to governmental

Summary entities if TRICOR determines the sale is in the best interests of the state and does not unfairly

compete with private sector businesses.

Subcommittee <u>Corrections Sub Amends 03.02.21.pdf</u>

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Fiscal Note (Dated February 23, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/22/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/25/21 - House passed with amendment 1 (003957).

Executive Status 04/22/21 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 41-22-116, relative to goods manufactured

by inmates.

SB608/HB1011 Extension for taxpayer to file a franchise and excise tax return.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hicks, Gary

Category Taxes Business

Summary Adds 15 days to the current six-month extension of time in which taxpayers can file a franchise and

excise tax return. Broadly captioned

Amendment House amendment 1 (005371) deletes and replaces all language after the enacting clause such

Summary that the only substantive changes are to increase the extension to seven months and to establish

that such extension applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2021, rather than January

1, 2022.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/22/21 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 04/27/21.

House Status 03/29/21 - House passed with amendment 1 (005371).

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxes.

SB617/HB1567 Tennessee Manufacturing Day.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Bricken, Rush

Category Miscellaneous

Summary Designates the first Friday in October of each year as "Tennessee Manufacturing Day" as a day

of special observance.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/15/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/22/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/16/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0132 effective July 1, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 15, Chapter 2, relative to Tennessee

Manufacturing Day.

SB629/HB395 Liability of general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Boyd, Clark

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Removes liability of a general contractor, intermediate contractor, or subcontractor for workers'

compensation to a construction services provider for injuries occurring during the time period of

December 9, 2019, through September 9, 2021, if certain conditions are met.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 30, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/11/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/12/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0090 effective April 7, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 9, relative to workers'

compensation.

#### SB631/HB749

#### Conflict between a city and county regarding a building code or fire code issue.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Boyd, Clark

Category Construction

Summary Increases, from ten working days to 12 working days, the time within which, after receipt of a

written appeal, the state fire marshal's office must provide a decision in cases of conflict between a

city and county regarding a building or fire code issue. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary Senate Commerce & Labor Committee amendment 1 (006726) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Effective September 1, 2021, prevents the State Fire Marshalâ s Office (SFMO) from discriminating against or favoring particular construction materials or techniques in building construction standards. Effective upon becoming a law, authorizes a local government to adopt a regulation, code, or ordinance pertaining to construction materials by ordinance or resolution for one and two-family dwellings. House amendment 1 (007127) rewrites this bill and revises present law provisions governing statewide building construction safety standards. Present law requires the state fire marshal to promulgate rules establishing minimum statewide building construction safety standards. The standards must be designed to afford a reasonable degree of safety to life and property from fire and hazards incident to the design, construction, alteration and repair of buildings or structures. Present law mandates that the standards must not discriminate against or in favor of particular construction materials or techniques. This amendment specifies that the prohibition regarding "techniques" applies to "construction techniques" and: (1) Authorizes a local government to adopt a regulation or code, pertaining to construction materials by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate, by majority vote. If passage of the ordinance or resolution requires two readings, then the requirement may only be adopted after reading it in open session of the legislative body at meetings on two different days. If passage of the ordinance or resolution requires three readings, then the last two readings must occur on two different days. A proposed requirement pertaining to construction materials must be a separate item on the agenda and include, in bold type and all caps, the following statement in the meeting notice: THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE REQUIRES CERTAIN MATERIALS TO BE RESTRICTED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS; (2) Requires that consideration of a requirement pertaining to construction materials be by separate vote. If the requirement is to be part of a general ordinance or resolution, then the requirement pertaining to construction materials must be severable from the rest of the ordinance or resolution, and voted on separately; (3) Provides that if a local government seeks to modify a regulation, code, or ordinance adopted pursuant to this amendment, then the local government must make the modification in the same manner as required to adopt a requirement; (4) Mandates that a regulation, ordinance, or code adopted pursuant to this amendment must not prohibit a particular construction material that is approved by a national building code or the state fire marshal; (5) Requires that a regulation, ordinance, or code adopted pursuant to this amendment allow for the consideration of waivers of the adopted regulation, ordinance, or code pertaining to construction materials, in whole or in part, during the development approval process; (6) Specifies

that denial of a waiver related to a regulation, ordinance, or code referenced in item (5) will not constitute a prohibition under item (4); and (7) Provides that, except to the extent local law conflicts with this amendment, this amendment neither grants nor removes local governmental authority to promulgate provisions under home rule charters, private acts, or general state law. The provisions of this amendment regarding a local government's adoption of a regulation or code, pertaining to construction materials do not limit the professional judgment of a licensed design professional with respect to electrical, mechanical, or plumbing standards. For purposes of local government adoption of a regulation, code, or ordinance relating to construction materials, this bill as amended will take effect upon becoming law. For all other purposes, this bill as amended will take effect September 1, 2021.

Fiscal Note Senate Status House Status (Dated February 11, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

04/21/21 - Senate passed.

04/21/21 - House passed with amendment 1 (007127), which rewrites this bill and revises present law provisions governing statewide building construction safety standards. Present law requires the state fire marshal to promulgate rules establishing minimum statewide building construction safety standards. The standards must be designed to afford a reasonable degree of safety to life and property from fire and hazards incident to the design, construction, alteration and repair of buildings or structures. Present law mandates that the standards must not discriminate against or in favor of particular construction materials or techniques. This amendment specifies that the prohibition regarding "techniques" applies to "construction techniques" and: (1) Authorizes a local government to adopt a regulation or code, pertaining to construction materials by ordinance or resolution, as appropriate, by majority vote. If passage of the ordinance or resolution requires two readings, then the requirement may only be adopted after reading it in open session of the legislative body at meetings on two different days. If passage of the ordinance or resolution requires three readings, then the last two readings must occur on two different days. A proposed requirement pertaining to construction materials must be a separate item on the agenda and include, in bold type and all caps, the following statement in the meeting notice: THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE REQUIRES CERTAIN MATERIALS TO BE RESTRICTED IN THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS; (2) Requires that consideration of a requirement pertaining to construction materials be by separate vote. If the requirement is to be part of a general ordinance or resolution, then the requirement pertaining to construction materials must be severable from the rest of the ordinance or resolution, and voted on separately; (3) Provides that if a local government seeks to modify a regulation, code, or ordinance adopted pursuant to this amendment, then the local government must make the modification in the same manner as required to adopt a requirement; (4) Mandates that a regulation, ordinance, or code adopted pursuant to this amendment must not prohibit a particular construction material that is approved by a national building code or the state fire marshal; (5) Requires that a regulation, ordinance, or code adopted pursuant to this amendment allow for the consideration of waivers of the adopted regulation, ordinance, or code pertaining to construction materials, in whole or in part, during the development approval process; (6) Specifies that denial of a waiver related to a regulation, ordinance, or code referenced in item (5) will not constitute a prohibition under item (4); and (7) Provides that, except to the extent local law conflicts with this amendment, this amendment neither grants nor removes local governmental authority to promulgate provisions under home rule charters, private acts, or general state law. The provisions of this amendment regarding a local government's adoption of a regulation or code, pertaining to construction materials do not limit the professional judgment of a licensed design professional with respect to electrical, mechanical, or plumbing standards. For purposes of local government adoption of a regulation, code, or ordinance relating to construction materials, this bill as amended will take effect upon becoming law. For all other purposes, this bill as amended will take effect September 1,

Executive Status Caption 04/21/21 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 120, relative to construction.

SB635/HB816 Tennessee Pay Equality Act.

Sponsors Sen. Kyle, Sara; Rep. Clemmons, John

Category Labor Law

Summary Enacts the "Tennessee Pay Equity Act," which specifies that bona fide factors allowing wage

differentials must be job-related and consistent with business necessity. Prohibits employers from prohibiting employees from discussing wages or inquiring about their wages or the wages of another employee. Requires the commissioner of labor and workforce to develop guidelines to eliminate unlawful pay practices. Establishes that employers are prohibited from discriminating

against employees who bring action relating to this section.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 18, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/31/21 - Failed in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, relative to sex discrimination.

SB660/HB1600 Tennessee Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Mannis, Eddie

Category Estates & Trusts

Summary Creates the "Tennessee Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act." Authorizes real property

and motor vehicles to be transferred upon an owner's death to a designated beneficiary. Allows such action to occur if indicated in a "death deed." Specifies contents of such death deeds. (15 pp.)

Fiscal Note (Dated February 26, 2021) Decrease State Revenue \$185,100/FY21-22 and Subsequent

Years/Various State Funds Decrease Local Revenue - \$9,700/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 03/02/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status 03/01/21 - Referred to House Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 30; Title 31; Title 32; Title 35; Title 55; Title 66

and Section 67-4-409, relative to the automatic transfer of property upon death.

SB680/HB793 Defines blighted property for purposes of redevelopment projects by housing

authorities.

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Carr, Dale

Category Property & Housing

Summary Defines "blighted property" for purposes of redevelopment projects by housing authorities and

clarifies that housing authorities may acquire real property without using eminent domain.

Authorizes housing authorities to pay more than fair market value for properties that are not

blighted but that are in a blighted area; makes other related changes.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 25, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact The extent and timing of any permissive decrease in

local government revenue and expenditures cannot reasonably be determined due to multiple

unknown factors.

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 03/02/21 - Taken off notice in House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 20; Title 13, Chapter 21 and Title 29,

Chapter 17, relative to housing authorities.

SB691/HB740 Written request for formal hearing by party aggrieved regarding issuance of

certificate of title.

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Windle, John

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Changes, from 10 days to 20 days, the time in which a party aggrieved by an action by the

commissioner of revenue in issuing or refusing to issue a certificate of title, in discharging or refusing to discharge a lien, and in issuing or refusing to issue a replacement certificate of title applied must

make a written request for a formal hearing under the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act.

Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 02/11/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, relative to motor vehicles.

## SB745/HB77 Request by state bank for waiver or modification of terms and conditions

applicable to a national bank.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Banking & Credit

Summary Authorizes a state bank to request from the commissioner a waiver or modification of the terms and

conditions applicable to a national bank. Authorizes a state bank to request the authority to exercise any incidental power or engage in any incidental activity that is reasonably necessary. Requires the

commissioner to publish a summary of applications submitted for waiver, modification, or

authorization.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/12/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/08/21 - House passed. Executive 04/20/21 - Sent to governor.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 45-2-601, relative to banking.

# SB752/HB771 Report on apprenticeship programs for minors.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Labor Law

Summary Requires the department of labor and workforce development to submit a report to the

commerce committee of the house of representatives and the commerce and labor committee of the senate regarding apprenticeship programs for minors on or before January 1, 2022. Part of

Administration Package. Broadly captioned.

Amendment House Commerce Committee amendment 1 (004900) deletes all language in the original bill and Summary retitles the bill the "Tennessee Registered Apprenticeship Program Act." Creates the Tennessee

retitles the bill the "Tennessee Registered Apprenticeship Program Act." Creates the Tennessee office of apprenticeship within the department of labor and workforce development. Establishes the purposes and duties of the office of apprenticeship. Creates the Tennessee apprenticeship

council and establishes the appointment process for members.

Subcommittee Business Sub 3.24.21.pdf

Amendments

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/20/21 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar

Committee.

House Status 04/22/21 - Set for House Floor 04/26/21.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, relative to apprenticeships.

# SB756/HB84 Statute of limitations for tax collection.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Taxes General

Summary Tolls the statute of limitations for collection of taxes upon the imposition of a bankruptcy stay or

upon the filing of a probate, receivership, or assignment for benefit of creditors proceeding. Allows statute of limitations to begin running 30 days after the stay is lifted or the proceeding prohibiting

collection ends.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 7, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/05/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/08/21 - House passed.

Executive 04/22/21 - Signed by governor.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-1-1429, relative to the statute of

limitations for tax collection.

# SB758/HB86 Reduces the lower gross weight threshold for freight vehicles that are required to

pay the registration tax.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Reduces the lower gross weight threshold for freight vehicles that are required to pay the

registration tax of \$1,019 from 56,000 pounds to 55,000 pounds. Removes authority for nonresidents to apply directly to department of revenue for off-highway vehicle permits. Authorizes issuance of decals instead of new plates upon expiration of special purpose plates for manufacturers, dealers,

transporters, and nonprofit organizations.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) Increase State Revenue - \$7,500/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years/Highway

Fund \$200/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years/General Fund Decrease State Expenditures -

\$132,300/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impacts The Department of Revenue will retain

\$0.08 from the sale of every decal to compensate TRICOR for production, warehousing, and distribution costs incurred by TRICOR. The total amount the Department will retain and remit to TRICOR in FY21-22 and subsequent years is estimated to be \$4,400. TRICOR will have a decrease in revenue in FY21-22 and subsequent years of \$132,300. The Governors proposed budget for FY21-22, on page A-35, recognizes a recurring increase in state expenditures to the General Fund of \$117,000

in FY21-22 and subsequent years.

Senate Status 04/05/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/29/21 - House passed. Executive 04/22/21 - Signed by governor.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, relative to vehicle registration.

# SB764/HB94 Disputes concerning employer's failure to provide medical care and treatment.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Requires disputes concerning an employer's failure to provide medical care and treatment, medical

services, or medical benefits, or both, to meet certain requirements. Deletes requirement that all compensation be paid prior to an employee qualifying for vocational recovery assistance. Extends current provisions, as amended, for four years. Authorizes workers' compensation judges to conduct

judicial settlement conferences.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$1,000/FY21-22 and Subsequent

Years/ Subsequent Injury and Vocational Recovery Fund

Senate Status 04/12/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/22/21 - House passed. Executive 04/20/21 - Sent to governor.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 2, relative to workers'

compensation.

#### SB794/HB680 Notice of foreclosure.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul; Rep. Carr, Dale

Category Estates & Trusts

Summary Requires a trustee or other party selling property in a foreclosure sale to file a notice of the sale

with the register of deeds office located in the county where the property is located at least 20

days before the sale.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 4, 2021) Increase Local Revenue Exceeds \$50,000/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status 03/16/21 - Taken off notice in House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 35, Chapter 5, Part 1, relative to notice of

foreclosure.

# SB795/HB667 Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience Act.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul; Rep. Freeman, Bob

Category Property & Housing

Summary Enacts the "Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience Act." Allows a local

government to establish a C-PACER program and designate a region within its boundaries as an area in which C-PACER activities are eligible. Defines "C-PACER program" to mean a commercial property assessed clean energy program. Specifies requirements for local government to establish such program and authorizes the local government to impose fees to offset the actual and reasonable costs of administering a program. Specifies that the fees may be assessed as part of the

reasonable costs of administering a program. Specifies that the fees may be assessed as part of the program application to be paid by the property owner requesting to participate in the program.

Specifies other requirements for the administration of the C-PACER program (16 pp).

Amendment Senate amendment 1 (003970) deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such

Summary that the substantive changes: (1) remove a local governmentâ s authority to hire and

compensate a program administrator and staff or delegate or contract for professional or administrative services as necessary for program administration; and (2) remove the ability of applicable property owners to contract directly for the related equipment and materials used in

the installation or modification of qualified improvements.

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Fiscal Note (Dated February 27, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (003970).

House Status 03/22/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/16/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0138 effective July 1, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5 and Title 68, relative to the

Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy and Resilience Act.

# SB812/HB725 Wage or salary history of an applicant or current employee.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Potts, Jason

Category Labor Law

Summary Prohibits employers from requiring, seeking, or relying on an employee or applicant's wage history

when making decisions regarding hiring, continued employment and promotion. Specifies that applicants and current employees are allowed to voluntarily disclose their wage history for any purpose. Permits an employer to verify wage history if an applicant or employee responds to an offer of employment with previous wage information to support a higher wage than offered. Establishes that violation of this section is a class B misdemeanor, punishable by a fine. Allows a former employee or applicant aggrieved by this section to bring civil action against the employer.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 04/07/21 - Failed in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 12 and Title 50, relative to employment.

SB814/HB593 Tennessee Source of Income Protection and Fair Access to Housing Act.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Clemmons, John

Category Property & Housing

Summary Enacts the "Tennessee Source of Income Protection and Fair Access to Housing Act," which prohibits

landlords from taking certain actions based solely on a person's income. Includes refusing to rent or

lease a property or otherwise making a property unavailable in the list of prohibited actions. Specifies that landlords are allowed to refuse to rent or lease their property based on the

prospective rentee's previous conduct, inability to pay rent considering the value of their housing assistance or for other reasons consistent with state and county law. Requires the department of economic and community development and the housing development agency to enforce this act by

informing landlords and individuals of their rights.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/30/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/24/21 - Taken off notice in House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, relative to housing.

SB815/HB818 Types of lessees with whom a housing authority may negotiate payments in lieu

of taxes.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Clemmons, John

Category Property & Housing

Summary Expands the definition of a "mixed-finance project" to include a private party on property that is

owned by an authority and leased to the party. Authorizes a local governing body to delegate the authority to negotiate and accept payments instead of ad valorem taxes from the housing authority's lessees operating mixed-finance projects to a housing authority. Deletes subsections

relating to low-income housing tax credit property.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 03/16/21 - Failed in House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 20, Part 1, relative to housing

authorities.

SB820/HB919 Evictions during public health emergency related to COVID-19.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Parkinson, Antonio

Category Property & Housing

Summary Prohibits a landlord from refusing to enter into a rental agreement with a prospective tenant solely

based upon the tenant being previously evicted during a public health emergency related to

COVID-19. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/30/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/31/21 - Taken off notice in House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to landlords.

List of apprenticeship training program contacts for high schools.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff Category Education

Summary Requires each public high school, including public charter high schools, to designate a teacher,

principal, or other school employee to serve as an apprenticeship training program contact for the school. Requires the department of education to compile and publish a list of the apprenticeship

training program contacts annually on its website.

Fiscal Note (Dated April 7, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 49; Title 62 and Title 67, relative to

workforce development.

SB826 Right to Call for Help Act.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff Category Property & Housing

Summary Enacts the "Right to Call for Help Act," which establishes a tenant's right to summon emergency

services for a victim of a crime or someone in an emergency without limit or penalty from their

landlord. Prohibits governmental entities from imposing a penalty against a landlord or tenant for being the victim of a crime or seeking emergency assistance when necessary. Establishes legal remedies for

the violation of this act.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 21, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate 02/11/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to rental properties.

SB864/HB1409 Incentives that promote the development of single-family housing.

Sponsors Sen. Lundberg, Jon; Rep. Crawford, John

Category Local Government

Summary Specifies that in counties recognized as tier three and four by the department of economic and

community development that economic development includes providing incentives approved by

the local governing body to promote the development of single-family housing.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 03/01/21 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 54 and Title 7, Chapter 53, relative

to housing incentives.

SB871/HB645 Redefines "bed and breakfast establishment."

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Faison, Jeremy

Category Property & Housing

Summary Expands the definition of "bed and breakfast establishment" to include single condominiums for

the purposes of the Bed and Breakfast Establishment Inspection Act of 1990. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/06/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/31/21 - House Business & Utilities Subcommittee deferred to the first calendar of 2022.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13; Title 56; Title 62;

Title 66; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to the rental of real property.

SB881/HB1190 Allows real property conveyances to a trust to vest title in the trustee of the

trust.

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Category Estates & Trusts

Summary Allows real property conveyances to a trust to vest title in the trustee of the trust and requires

that public records referencing a trust be indexed by the name of the trust, if stated in the

document, and in the name of each trustee listed in the document.

Senate Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (007363) deletes and rewrites all language after the Amendment enacting clause to correct a typographical error and remove an incorrect statutory reference. Summary

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/20/21 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (007363). Sent to

Senate Calendar Committee.

**House Status** 04/21/21 - House deferred to 04/29/21.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 10, Chapter 7; Title 35 and Title 66, relative to Caption

real property.

#### SB889/HB1189 Abolishes various estates and reversion interests in land.

**Sponsors** Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Category Property & Housing

Summary Abolishes provisions establishing the common law estates of fee simple determinable, fee simple

> subject to condition subsequent, and fee simple subject to executory limitation executed more than twenty-five (25) years. Abolishes provision contained in a deed, will, or another document conveying an interest in real property and purporting to establish the common law estates of fee simple determinable, fee simple subject to condition subsequent, and fee simple subject to

executory limitation.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 24, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

**House Status** 02/24/21 - Referred to House Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 1, relative to real property.

#### SB895/HB716 Enforcement of regulations in conflict with Uniform Residential Landlord and

Tenant Act.

**Sponsors** Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Hurt, Chris

Category Property & Housing

Summary Prohibits counties in which the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act applies from enacting

or enforcing regulations that conflict with, or are an addition to, the act.

Amendment House amendment 1 (005425) deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that Summary

the only substantive change would prohibit applicability being extended to counties based on their

population from a subsequent federal census.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 11, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/01/21 - Senate passed.

03/29/21 - House passed with amendment 1 (005425). **House Status** 

**Executive Status** 04/20/21 - Signed by governor.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, relative to the Uniform Caption

Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

#### SB902/HB801 Use of e-verification program by employers.

**Sponsors** Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Griffey, Bruce

Category

Requires employers to use the E-Verify program to verify the work eligibility of an employee. Summary

> Defines the "E-Verify program" as the federal electronic employment verification service provided by the department of homeland security for verification of the work eligibility of new employees. Establishes a presumption that an employer did not employ an illegal alien if it was verified through the E-Verify program that the employee was eligible to work. Removes immunity from charges of the employment of illegal aliens due to an employer's reliance on other forms of verification. (13

Fiscal Note (Dated February 25, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/10/21 - Failed in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 1, relative to employment.

SB933/HB968 Incentives that promote the development of single-family housing.

Sponsors Sen. Crowe, Rusty; Rep. Holsclaw, Jr., John

Category Property & Housing

Summary Expands the definition of "economic development" for the purpose of laws governing projects by

industrial development corporations to include the promotion of the development of single-family housing. Expands the definition of "project" for the purpose of laws governing projects by industrial development corporations to include the promotion of the development of single-family housing in

tier three and tier four counties.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/12/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/29/21 - House passed. Executive 04/20/21 - Sent to governor.

Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 54 and Title 7, Chapter 53, relative to

housing incentives.

SB959/HB1024 Second relocation notice to owner of utility facility.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Potts, Jason

Category Transportation General

Summary Increases, from ten to 12, the number of days an owner of a utility facility, which is located in a

state highway right-of-way, has to respond to a second relocation notice. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 54; Title 55; Title 65 and Title

67, relative to transportation infrastructure.

SB962/HB1555 Security deposits accepted by landlords.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Mitchell, Bo

Category Property & Housing

Summary Mandates landlords who require a security deposit to offer and accept rental insurance or a bond

instead. Specifies requirements for the rental insurance or bond including the coverage provided

per claim and the timeframe within which the coverage is effective.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/01/21 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 66-28-301, relative to security deposits.

SB977/HB1032 Assessors of property during disasters and emergencies.

Sponsors Sen. Kyle, Sara; Rep. Thompson, Dwayne

Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires countywide emergency response frameworks to include property assessors 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. Establishes that property assessors

have unrestricted rights to enter and inspect the property within disaster areas.

Fiscal Note (Dated April 7, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact Due to the extent of unknown factors a precise decrease

in local property tax revenue and increase in local expenditures cannot reasonably be determined,

but any fiscal impact is considered permissive.

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/22/21 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative

to property assessment.

SB991/HB911 Reimbursing businesses that were forced to shutdown or close.

Sponsors Sen. Gardenhire, Todd; Rep. Casada, Glen

Category Government Regulation

Summary Provides businesses who comply with an emergency order to shut down or reduce capacity by at

least 50 percent with compensation for the loss of revenue. Establishes that the governmental entity responsible for the emergency order is responsible for compensating the businesses. Specifies that compensation will be calculated based on proof of the annual revenue received by the business

in the previous fiscal year.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 31, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact The extent and timing of any increase in state and local

expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Referred to House Public Service Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, relative to businesses.

SB998/HB1070 Taxation of real property platform transactions.

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Marsh, Pat

Category Taxes Property

Summary Exempts a business entity that operates an internet website or application from payment of the

recordation tax on transfers of residential real property purchased and resold.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 24, 2021) Decrease State Revenue Exceeds \$511,300/FY21-22 and Subsequent

Years Decrease Local Revenue Exceeds \$12,900/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to taxation of real

property platform transactions.

SB1002/HB1051 Annual report by division of property assessments to state board of

equalization.

Sponsors Sen. Yager, Ken; Rep. Sexton, Cameron

Category Taxes Business

Summary Authorizes the division of property assessments to electronically submit to the state board of

equalization the division's annual report that summarizes the division's work and makes recommendations to the state board of equalization that the division deems appropriate.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 1 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative

to property.

SB1007/HB1109 Discharging liability of check endorser under the UCC.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Miller, Larry

Category Commercial Law

Summary Changes, from 30 days to 35 days, the time within which a check must be presented for payment

or given to a depositary bank for collection before the liability of the endorser is discharged under

the Uniform Commercial Code. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 61 and Title

67, relative to commerce.

SB1015/HB1093 Highway projects benefiting from gas tax increase.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Carr, Dale

Category Transportation General

Summary Removes an expired provision specifying which highway projects were to benefit from the 1986

gasoline tax increases. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 9; Title 64 and Title 67,

relative to transportation.

SB1033/HB732 Electronic notifications required by Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant

Act.

Sponsors Sen. Gilmore, Brenda; Rep. Alexander, Rebecca

Category Property & Housing

Summary Specifies that if a tenant provides an email address for electronic communication that the landlord

must send all electronic notifications to that address, not the one noted in the rental agreement.

Broadly captioned.

Amendment

Summary

House amendment 1 (006316) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Establishes a process by which a tenant who is a victim of domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking may terminate a rental or lease agreement with the landlord upon providing certain documentation and reaching an agreement upon the date the tenant will vacate the property. Requires the landlord to maintain

certain identifying information of the tenant as confidential.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/15/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 04/12/21 - House passed with amendment 1 (006316).

Executive Status 04/21/21 - Sent to governor.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 56 and Title

66, relative to real property.

SB1044/HB1067 Authorizes certain right-hand turns for driver of passenger vehicle.

Sponsors Sen. Southerland, Steve; Rep. Eldridge, Rick

Category Transportation General

Summary Authorizes the driver of a passenger vehicle, when making a right-hand turn from a state highway,

to move on to the paved shoulder of the highway prior to making the turn to allow the vehicles behind it to proceed. Clarifies that there needs to be sufficient space to safely do so and states that the driver may not move onto the shoulder more than 300 feet away from the intersection.

Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Referred to House Transportation Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54 and Title 55, Chapter 8, relative to state

highways.

SB1060/HB986 Sales tax collected but not yet remitted to commissioner of revenue for

refunded items.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Category Taxes Sales

Summary Reduces from 90 to 60 days the period in which a dealer via signed statement can deduct on a

return sales tax collected but not yet remitted to the commissioner of revenue for refunded

items. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxation.

SB1061/HB985 Estimate of board fees for a fiscal year.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Category Public Finance

Summary Requires each board to notify the commissioner of finance and administration when the estimate

of board fees for a fiscal year is more than the certified amount of board fees required by the

board for that fiscal year. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 9; Title 54; Title 55 and Title 67,

relative to state funds.

SB1065/HB1465 Delaying payment pursuant to a construction agreement to a commercial

building contractor.

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Cochran, Mark

Category Construction

Summary Prohibits persons from conditioning, reducing, withholding, or delaying payment pursuant to a

construction agreement to a commercial building contractor by requiring a signed waiver, release,

denial, discharge, negative affirmation, or similar document, other than a document that

corresponds directly to the specific work, services, materials, and labor for which the payment is

due. Broadly captioned

Fiscal Note (Dated March 14, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/01/21 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 12; Title 62 and Title 68, relative to

construction.

SB1135/HB745 Tennessee Work Ready Opportunity Program.

Sponsors Sen. White, Dawn; Rep. Haston, Kirk

Category Education

Summary Establishes the Tennessee work ready opportunity program through the department of labor and

workforce development and department of education. Specifies that the purpose of the program is to assess and certify adult displaced workers' and high school students' career readiness using

nationally recognized assessments. Defines "adult displaced workers" as eligible claimants of state unemployment insurance. Requires LEAs to allow students to take the ACT WorkKeys National Career Readiness Certificate through the Tennessee work ready opportunity program after taking the postsecondary readiness test in grade 11. Establishes regulations for the work ready opportunity program.

Amendment Summary Senate Education Committee amendment 1 (005574) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Establishes that each student shall have the opportunity to take nationally recognized assessments which assess and certify studentsâ career readiness as a strategy for providing students more choice in choosing a career pathway. House Education Instruction Committee amendment 1 (007104) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Establishes, subject to available funding and limited to the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years, that each student shall have the opportunity to take nationally recognized assessments as a strategy for assessing and certifying studentsâ career readiness and providing students more choice in identifying career pathways. House Government Operations Committee amendment 1 (007273) removes language from the legislation as amended by amendment 007104 that specified that any funding must be appropriated through the general appropriations act.

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Fiscal Note

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(Dated March 13, 2021) Increase State Expenditures - \$3,306,100/FY21-22 \$3,016,900/FY22-23

and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 04/22/21 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 04/27/21. House Status 04/22/21 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 04/28/21.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 11; Title 49, Chapter 6 and Title

49, Chapter 7, relative to the Tennessee Work Ready Opportunity Program.

# SB1139/HB1162 Licensed attorney - acknowledge the execution of an instrument affecting real

property in this state.

Sponsors Sen. White, Dawn; Rep. Haston, Kirk

Category Property & Housing

Summary Adds licensed attorneys to those who are authorized to acknowledge the execution of an

instrument affecting real property. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 26, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status 02/24/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 8 and Title 66, relative to real

property.

#### SB1140/HB1184 Revises authorization and references to district assessors.

Sponsors Sen. White, Dawn; Rep. Sparks, Mike

Category Taxes Property

Summary Revises authorization and references to district assessors to only allow assessments made by

county assessor from the old county when a new county is created for purposes of determining

outstanding indebtedness at the time of formation of the new county. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated April 6, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to property assessors.

## SB1163/HB1229 Review of executive orders of the president of the United States.

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Lynn, Susan

Category Government Organization

Summary Authorizes the joint government operations committee of the general assembly to review any

executive orders put in place by the United States president to determine if the order falls outside the scope of federal authority. It allows the committee to recommend to the attorney general and the governor any executive orders that should be further reviewed to determine if the order is

constitutional and if the state should take action. Clarifies that no state agency, political

subdivision, or elected or appointed official may implement an executive order that restricts rights or is found to be unconstitutional by the attorney general if the order relates to listed issues such as: a pandemic or public health emergency, regulation of natural resources, regulation of the agricultural industry, regulation of land use, regulation of the financial sector and the regulation of

the right to keep and bear arms.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 14, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact Federal funding may be jeopardized if state or local

agencies are prohibited from complying with federal guidance that derives from an executive

order that either restricts a persons rights or is found by the Attorney General to be

unconstitutional. Due to multiple unknown factors, the timing and amount of any such jeopardy, or the specific funds that may be jeopardized cannot be determined with reasonable certainty.

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Referred to House Public Service Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 4, relative to executive orders

issued by the president of the United States.

SB1168/HB1311 Review of the worker's compensation reform act of 2013.

Sponsors Sen. Pody, Mark; Rep. Griffey, Bruce

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Requires the bureau of workers' compensation, on or before January 1, 2023, and annually

thereafter, to review the impact of the Workers' Compensation Reform Act of 2013 on the workers' compensation system in this state and deliver a report of its findings to each member of the general assembly and provide a presentation of its findings to the commerce committee of the

house of representatives and the commerce and labor committee of the senate. Broadly

captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 56, relative to

workers' compensation.

SB1188/HB1300 Extension of privilege tax due date for people in the armed forces.

Sponsors Sen. Jackson, Ed; Rep. Stewart, Mike

Category Taxes Business

Summary Increases the number of days a person in the armed forces has to pay the occupational privilege

tax from 180 days following the conclusion of hostilities in which such person is actually engaged outside the United States or 180 days after such person is transferred from the theater of such hostilities, whichever is sooner, to 240 days following conclusion or 240 days following transfer,

whichever is sooner. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 13, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxes.

SB1240/HB1446 Career and technical education for middle school students.

Sponsors Sen. Crowe, Rusty; Rep. Hicks, Tim

Category Education

Summary Requires, instead of encourages, the department of education to prepare middle school students

for a career and technical education pathway by introducing students to career exploration opportunities. Requires LEAs to inform students about career and technical education

opportunities that they are eligible to participate in after administering a career aptitude test in

grade seven or grade eight.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 26, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/14/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 04/19/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/22/21 - Sent to governor.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to career and technical education.

#### SB1245/HB356 Written notice by employer regarding appeal of an alleged violation of TN

Lawful Employment Act.

Sponsors Sen. Reeves, Shane; Rep. Bricken, Rush

Category Labor Law

Summary Changes the number of days, from 30 days to 45, in which an employer must provide the

commissioner of labor and workforce development with written notice to maintain its right to appeal an alleged violation of the Tennessee Lawful Employment Act. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/06/21 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to 04/07/21.

House Status 04/07/21 - Taken off notice in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, relative to employment.

## SB1268/HB386 Administration of construction service provider registration.

Sponsors Sen. Reeves, Shane; Rep. Russell, Lowell

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Transfers administration of construction service provider registration from the secretary of state

to the bureau of workers' compensation.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 11, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/08/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/12/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0088 effective April 7, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, Chapter 6, Part 4 and Title 50, Chapter 6,

Part 9, relative to construction services providers.

# SB1282/HB1445 Property taxes and number of acres of land.

Sponsors Sen. Niceley, Frank; Rep. Hicks, Tim

Category Taxes Property

Summary Increases from 1,500 to 5,000 the number of acres of land that may be placed within one

property tax jurisdiction and increases from 1,500 to 5,000 the maximum acreage available to a

real property owner that may be classified as forest or open space land.

Fiscal Note (Dated April 7, 2021) Decrease Local Revenue Exceeds \$3,000,000/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 03/01/21 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property taxes.

# SB1292/HB1454 Removal of subminimum wage exception for employees with impaired

productivity or earning capacity.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Potts, Jason

Category Labor Law

Summary Removes the subminimum wage exemption for employees whose earning or productive capacity

is impaired by age, physical, or mental deficiency or injury. Requires employers to pay these

employees no less than the federal minimum wage. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 10, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Failed in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

**House Status** 04/07/21 - Taken off notice in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee. Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8 and Title 50, relative to wages.

#### SB1306/HB1507 Tennessee Infrastructure Bank Act.

Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. McKenzie, Sam Sponsors

Category **Public Finance** 

Summary Enacts the "Tennessee Infrastructure Bank Act," which creates the Tennessee infrastructure bank

to sustainably finance infrastructure projects and drive economic growth. Specifies the bank's powers and the process for receiving loans. Requires the bank to consider the economic,

environmental and social benefits and costs of each project under consideration for assistance and prioritize projects that contribute to economic growth, lead to job creation and are of regional or

local significance. Establishes a board of directors for the bank.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 31, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact A precise increase in state expenditures cannot be

determined but is reasonably estimated to exceed \$100,000,000.

02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee. Senate Status **House Status** 02/25/21 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 9; Title 54; Title 55 and Title 67, Caption

relative to financing infrastructure projects.

#### SB1307/HB1361 Right to Call for Help Act.

**Sponsors** Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Mannis, Eddie

Category **Property & Housing** 

Establishes that residents and tenets have the right to call law enforcement or emergency Summary

> assistance if they are calling on behalf of victims of abuse or crime or are victims themselves. This right may not be waived, and landlords are prohibited from limiting or restricting that right or penalizing tenants for practicing that right. Prohibits government entities from enacting or enforcing ordinances that would impose a penalty on any party for calling law enforcement or

emergency assistance.

Amendment Senate amendment 1 (005322) deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such Summary

that the substantive changes: (1) specify that the proposed language does not prohibit a breach of

lease or law by a resident tenant for committing certain acts; and (2) expand applicability to

counties governed under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 21, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/05/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (005322).

**House Status** 03/31/21 - Taken off notice in House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to rental properties.

#### SB1308/HB1147 Prohibits an employer from requiring an employee to receive an immunization

or vaccination for COVID-19.

**Sponsors** Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Grills, Rusty

Labor Law Category

Prohibits employers from requiring employees to receive the COVID-19 vaccination as a condition Summary

of continued employment or taking adverse action against employees who refuse the vaccine.

Removes exception that medical examinations or treatments against the will of an employee could be required when necessary for the health and safety of others. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 24, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/30/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

**House Status** 03/24/21 - Taken off notice in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 50 and

Title 68, relative to employment.

SB1348/HB458 Adoption of an essential workers' bill of rights during a state of emergency.

Sponsors Sen. Gardenhire, Todd; Rep. Thompson, Dwayne

Labor Law Category

Summary Requires certain employers to adopt and implement an essential workers' bill of rights during a

> state of emergency or disaster, declared by the governor. The bill of rights requires an employer to provide the essential workers with adequate personal protective equipment and products at no cost to the workers. Also requires the employer to inform the employer's essential workers when an essential worker has contracted a disease related to the state of emergency and of the essential workers' potential exposure to the disease. Specifies other requirements for the bill of rights.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 26, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact The extent and timing of mandatory local government

expenditures are unknown but reasonably expected to exceed \$100,000 per governor declared

state of emergency or disaster. \*

Senate Status 03/30/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee. 02/24/21 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee. **House Status** 

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 49; Title 50; Title 62; Title

63 and Title 68, relative to essential workers.

SB1352/HB1542 Eminent domain to acquire private property for trails, paths, and greenways.

Sponsors Sen. Gardenhire, Todd; Rep. Weaver, Terri

Local Government Category

Fiscal Note

Summary Prohibits the use of eminent domain to acquire private property for trails, paths or greenways

> unless the property is parallel to, runs directly along the length of and extends in the same direction as a highway or road. Creates an exemption in cases of a written agreement between the

property owner and a planned unit development, homeowner's association or business entity. (Dated March 31, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact Due to multiple unknown factors, a precise recurring

decrease in local government expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.

Senate Status 04/06/21 - Senate Judiciary Committee deferred to last calendar.

**House Status** 04/06/21 - House Civil Justice Subcommittee deferred to the first calendar of 2022. Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 16, Part 1, relative to real

property.

SB1353/HB1315 TACIR study regarding the use of a voter referendum to approve significant tax

increases on real property.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Reedy, Jay

Category **Taxes Property** 

Summary Directs TACIR to conduct a study regarding the use of a voter referendum to approve significant

> tax increases on real property that includes recommendations for procedural changes to implement. Mandates that TACIR conduct this study from existing resources. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/14/21 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee. **House Status** 04/13/21 - Taken off notice in House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 4, Chapter 10; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7;

Title 9, Chapter 21 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property tax increases.

SB1365/HB1197 Reporting of contributions and donations by for-profit corporations.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Category Campaigns & Lobbying

Summary Requires for-profit corporations that employ more than five hundred (500) employees, to report

their contributions and donations to state and local governmental entities and election officials for purposes of facilitating and conducting elections in this state if such contributions and donations

exceed a certain amount. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 13, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/23/21 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/24/21 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 4; Title 9; Title 12; Title 20; Title 29;

Title 39; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 58; Title 65; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to corporations.

SB1369/HB1442 Tennessee COVID-19 Recovery Act - delaying of dental procedures.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Tort Liability

Summary Expands the definition of "arising from COVID-19" for the purposes of the Tennessee COVID-19

Recovery Act to include delaying or modifying the schedule of any dental procedure. Broadly

captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 24, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/13/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Judiciary Committee. House Status 03/01/21 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 8, Part 3; Title 29, Chapter 34;

Title 29, Chapter 20 and Title 49, Chapter 7, Part 1, relative to COVID-19 related civil liability.

# SB1381/HB1127 Use of residential property as a long-term rental property - prohibitions by

HOAs.

Sponsors Sen. Bell, Mike; Rep. Farmer, Andrew

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires homeowner's associations to provide a record of the votes cast in a vote to amend a

declaration that prohibits or effectively prohibits the use of residential property as long-term rental property upon request. Establishes that owners of a property subject to a declaration that prohibits the use of residential property as long-term rental property have a right to use the property as a long-term rental property until they transfer it. Requires business entities that own residential property that is subject to a declaration to send the homeowner's association written notice of the change in business contact information and the new owner of the property within 30

business days of the declaration.

Amendment Senate amendment 1 (004377) deletes and rewrites all language after the enacting clause such that the substantive changes: (1) remove certain information which HOAs were required to

that the substantive changes: (1) remove certain information which HOAs were required to provide upon written request; and (2) specify that the vested right to lease property applies to

single-family residential real property.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004377).

House Status 03/22/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/16/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0151 effective May 1, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 27, relative to commerce.

SB1386 Revised assessments for property destroyed by fire, flood, wind, or other disaster.

Sponsors Sen. Kyle, Sara Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires assessor of property to advise the county or municipal tax collector of a revised assessment

based on commercial and industrial tangible personal property that is destroyed, demolished, or

substantially damaged by fire, flood, wind, or any other disaster.

Fiscal Note (Dated April 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property taxes.

SB1404/HB608 Time frame for report produced by bureau of workers' compensation.

Sponsors Sen. Swann, Art; Rep. Moon, Jerome

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Changes, from December 31 to December 15, the date by which the bureau of workers'

compensation must produce a report listing the name of each covered employer that failed, during the preceding fiscal year, to provide workers' compensation coverage or qualify as a self-insured

employer. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 8, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/11/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50, relative to workers' compensation.

SB1507/HB1326 Recordation of land sale contracts with the county register.

Sponsors Sen. Akbari, Raumesh; Rep. Hardaway, G.A.

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires land sale contracts to be recorded in the county where the land lies, or in one of the

counties the land lies in if the land is in more than one. Defines "land sale contract" as a contract for the sale of land in which the buyer will receive immediate possession of the land and pay the purchase price in installments over time, but the seller will retain legal title until all payments are

made.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 7, 2021) Increase State Revenue Exceeds \$5,800/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Increase Local Revenue Exceeds \$1,000/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 04/13/21 - Taken off notice in House Property & Planning Subcommittee after adopting

amendment 1 (005706).

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to real property.

SB1532/HB854 Classification of land as agricultural, forest, or open space land.

Sponsors Sen. Roberts, Kerry; Rep. Helton, Esther

Category Taxes Property

Summary Extends, from March 1 to March 15, the deadline by which a landowner must file with the assessor

of property an application for land to be classified as agricultural, forest, or open space land and removes the ability for the assessor to void the rollback assessment if it is determined that the

assessment was imposed in error. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 20, 2021) Other Fiscal Impact - Recurring decreases in local government revenue

may occur; however, due to multiple unknown variables, the extent and timing of such decreases

cannot be determined with reasonable certainty.

Senate Status 04/12/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 04/22/21 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Committee 04/26/21.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to property taxes.

SB1533/HB1110 Agents of taxpayers - registration fee required.

Sponsors Sen. Roberts, Kerry; Rep. Smith, Robin

Category Taxes Property

Summary Limits present law exemption for attorneys who represent taxpayers at hearings before the board

of equalization from the requirement that certain agents of taxpayers submit a registration fee and register as an agent and requires such registration and fee from such attorneys if the attorney or law firm engages in a financial transaction with a current member of the assessment appeals

commission. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated April 7, 2021) Increase State Revenue Exceeds \$400/FY21-22 and Every Two Years

Thereafter / State Board of Equalization

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to property taxes.

SB1535/HB1117 Governing board of the regional transportation authority of Middle Tennessee.

Sponsors Sen. Roberts, Kerry; Rep. Hurt, Chris

Category Transportation General

Summary Increases from 60 to 90 days, the maximum timeframe in which the governing board of the

regional transportation authority of Middle Tennessee may vote to adopt alternative provisions

to operate as a regional transportation authority. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 02/22/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 7; Title 54; Title 55; Title 64 and Title

67, relative to transportation.

SB1561/HB445 Bureau of workers' compensation - annual report on employers who failed to

provide coverage.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Extends from December 31 to January 1, the date by which the bureau of workers' compensation

must produce its annual report listing the name of each covered employer that failed, during the preceding state fiscal year, to provide workers' compensation coverage or qualify as a self-insured

employer as required by law. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/10/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 56, relative to

workers' compensation.

SB1562/HB444 Annual report by bureau of workers' compensation.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Changes from July 1 to January 31, the deadline by which the bureau of workers' compensation

must annually review the impact of the Workers' Compensation Reform Act of 2013 on the workers' compensation system in this state and deliver a report of its findings to each member of the general assembly; requires the bureau to provide a presentation of its findings to certain

committees. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/10/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 56, relative to

workersâ compensation.

SB1567/HB943 Provisions prohibiting retaliatory termination of an employee.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Mannis, Eddie

Category Labor Law

Summary Clarifies that the definition of "illegal activities" for the purposes of provisions prohibiting the

retaliatory termination of an employee does not include non-compliance with state and federal

anti-discrimination laws. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated March 14, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar

Committee.

House Status 04/15/21 - House passed.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 20; Title 29 and Title 50, Chapter 1, relative to

employee rights.

SB1568/HB1355 Comments from finance committees on draft rules to implement the TN job

skills program.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Curcio, Michael

Category Economic Development

Summary Increases from 60 to 65 the number of days the finance, ways and means committees of the

senate and house of representatives have to comment on draft rules from the department to

implement the Tennessee job skills program. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 27, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to first calendar of 2022.

House Status 04/06/21 - House Health Subcommittee deferred to first calendar of 2022.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 50; Title 62; Title 63 and Title 68,

relative to employment.

SB1576/HB401 Awarding of additional attorneys' fees and costs when employer wrongfully

denies claim.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Boyd, Clark

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Authorizes the court of workers' compensation claims to award additional attorneys' fees and

costs incurred when an employer wrongfully denies a claim or wrongfully fails to timely initiate benefits to which the employee or dependent is entitled for injuries that occur between July 1,

2021, and June 30, 2023.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 4, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/22/21 - Senate passed. House Status 03/22/21 - House passed.

Executive Status 04/16/21 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0152 effective July 1, 2021.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 50-6-226, relative to workers'

compensation.

SB1577/HB1285 Bureau of workers' compensation annual report on employers not providing

workers' compensation.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Boyd, Clark

Category Workers Compensation

Summary Changes from December 31 to January 15, the date each year by which the bureau of workers'

compensation must produce a report that includes a listing of the name of each covered employer that failed, during the preceding state fiscal year, to provide workers' compensation coverage or

qualify as a self-insured employer as required by law. Broadly captioned.

Amendment House amendment 1 (004593) deletes all language after the enacting clause. Makes non-

Summary substantive changes to how the Bureau of Workersâ Compensation seeks to ensure applicable

employers comply with workersâ compensation law, including, but not limited to, enforcement and penalties for non-compliance. Clarifies which funds penalty fee revenue is to be allocated. This legislation will be repealed on July 1, 2024 and current statute, which this legislation replaces,

will be revived at such time.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/01/21 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/22/21 - House passed with amendment 1 (004593).

Executive Status 04/20/21 - Signed by governor.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 56, relative to

workers' compensation.

# SB1604/HB366 Property located along existing rights-of-way.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Williams, Ryan

Category Property & Housing

Summary Prohibits a governmental entity from requiring a right-of-way dedication that requires a landowner

to transfer ownership of any portion of the landowner's property located along an existing public right-of-way to the governmental entity as a condition of approving any application made to the governmental entity. Specifies that a governmental entity may require a right-of-way reservation as a condition of approving any proposed subdivision of a property. Specifies that a real estate

licensee has no duty to inform any party to a real estate transaction concerning a right-of-way

reservation.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2021) Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$1,000,000/FY21-22 and Subsequent

Years\*

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 04/13/21 - Taken off notice in House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13; Title 62 and Title 66, relative to property

located along existing rights-of-way.

## SB1614/HB1142 Issuance or use of temporary tags or permits.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Grills, Rusty

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Establishes that a dealer that obtains special purpose plates for use by customers for temporary

purposes is responsible for the safekeeping of each plate. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 24, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/22/21 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 02/24/21 - Referred to House Transportation Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4 and Title 55, Chapter 5,

relative to issuance or use of temporary tags or permits.

# SB1616/HB122 Report submitted by the governing committee of the TN automobile insurance

plan.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Whitson, Sam

Category Transportation General

Summary Extends from September 30 to October 15, the annual date by which the governing committee of

the Tennessee automobile insurance plan must submit to the department of commerce and insurance a financial report for the preceding calendar year in a form approved by the

commissioner. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 9, 2021) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 04/21/21 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 01/14/21 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 6; Title 7; Title 12; Title 42; Title 47,

Chapter 18; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 65 and Title 67, relative to transportation.

HB168 Valuation of property.

Sponsors Rep. Lamar, London Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires residential property to be valued for ad valorem tax purposes on the basis of the most recent

sale, lease, mortgage, or other transfer of an interest in the property for which unrelated parties with

competing interests agreed to a valuation of the property. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2021) Increase State Expenditures \$916,000/FY20-21 Increase Local Expenditures

Exceeds \$2,475,000/FY20-21\* Other Fiscal Impact - A precise fiscal impact to local government

property tax revenue beginning in FY21-22 cannot reasonably be determined due to multiple unknown

factors.

House Status 02/01/21 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxation.