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ANIMALS & ANIMAL HUSBANDRY

SB343/HB1292 **Animal feeding operations designated as an industrial land use for zoning.**

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf
Summary: Designates a concentrated animal feeding operation as an industrial land use. Prohibits a person from constructing or expanding a concentrated animal feeding operation on land that is not zoned for industrial land use.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 24, 2023) Increase Local Revenue \$10,200/FY24-25/Weakley County Other Fiscal Impact Due to multiple unknown factors, the extent of any recurring increase to local revenue cannot be estimated.
Senate Status: 01/26/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13; Title 43; Title 44 and Title 69, Chapter 3, Part 1, relative to animal feeding operations.

BANKING & CREDIT

SB1257/HB1172 **Homeowner Bill of Rights.**

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Dixie, Vincent
Summary: Enacts the "Homeowner Bill of Rights," which details the pre-foreclosure procedures to notify the delinquent property owner, commencing foreclosure sales, assess the borrower's financial situation, and explore options for the borrower to avoid a foreclosure sale. States different avenues for the borrower to get out of foreclosure and implement foreclosure prevention. Details that sales and litigation are final after 90 days. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 45 and Title 47, relative to homeowners.

SB1684/HB1819 **Requirements for consumer credit reports.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lamar, London , Rep. Miller, Larry
Summary: Requires consumer reporting agencies to include on a consumer report reported payments of rent and utilities. Specifies that a violation of this act constitutes an unfair or deceptive act or practice under the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act of 1977. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 01/11/24 - Filed for Introduction
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13; Title 45; Title 47 and Title 66, relative to credit data.

SB1758/HB1838 **Reports furnished by consumer reporting agencies.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lamar, London , Rep. Parkinson, Antonio
Summary: Prohibits a consumer reporting agency from creating or furnishing a consumer report that contains certain information if the information antedates the report by more than seven years, unless certain exceptions apply. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 01/12/24 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 01/11/24 - Filed for Introduction
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, Chapter 6; Title 45; Title 47; Title 56 and Title 62, relative to consumer reporting agencies.

CAMPAIGNS & LOBBYING

SB100/HB388 **Contributions from persons who are not residents of state.**

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Wright, Dave
Summary: Prohibits a candidate or political campaign committee from accepting contributions that exceed 30 percent of the total contributions received by a candidate or political campaign committee from persons who are not residents of this state at the time the contribution is made. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee amendment 1 (005259) requires that a candidate or political campaign committee shall not accept contributions from persons who are not residents of Tennessee at the time the contribution is made that, in the aggregate, exceed 30% of the total contributions received by a candidate or political campaign for a primary election.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/15/23 - Failed in House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee after adopting amendment 1 (005259).
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2, Chapter 10, Part 3, relative to campaign finance.

COMMERCIAL LAW

SB876/HB1396 **Including record of civil action on consumer report.**

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Harris, Torrey
Summary: Prohibits consumer reporting agencies from including on a consumer report a record of a civil action that is filed in this state, if the action is dismissed or any judgment issued in the action is satisfied. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 8, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 9, Chapter 8; Title 10, Chapter 7; Title 16; Title 18; Title 20; Title 21; Title 27; Title 28; Title 29; Title 45; Title 47; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 66, relative to credit data.

SB1075/HB1499 Time frame for presenting a check for payment.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Miller, Larry
Summary: Changes, from 30 days to 35 days, the time within which a check must be presented for payment or given to a depository bank for collection before the liability of the endorser is discharged under the Uniform Commercial Code. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 3, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 9; Title 12; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 61 and Title 67, relative to commerce.

SB1252/HB1470 Consumer Wheelchair Repair Bill of Rights Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Towns Jr., Joe
Summary: Enacts the "Consumer Wheelchair Repair Bill of Rights Act," which states that an original equipment manufacturer of powered wheelchair manufacturers shall, with fair and reasonable terms and costs, make available to an independent repair provider or owner of the manufacturer's equipment any documentation, parts, embedded software, firmware, or tools that are intended for use with the equipment or any part, including updates to documentation, parts, embedded software, firmware, or tools. Covers equipment that contains an electronic security lock or other security-related function. Details limitations to outdated powered wheelchairs.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 16, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/21/23 - House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee deferred to first calendar of 2024.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18, relative to consumer protection.

SB1284/HB1061 Unlawful representation as a licensed contractor.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Faison, Jeremy
Summary: Specifies it is unlawful for a person, firm, or corporation to represent itself as a licensed contractor or to act in the capacity of a contractor while not licensed. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1 (006129) requires, before transacting any business with this state or a political subdivision of this state, a domestic corporation, a foreign corporation, an LLC, a foreign LLC, a partnership, a registered limited liability partnership, a foreign registered limited liability partnership, a limited partnership or, a foreign limited partnership, that uses an assumed corporate name, to file with the Secretary of State a disclosure setting forth the true identity of each incorporator, partner, or member of the corporation.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 3, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 04/10/23 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (006129).
House Status: 03/22/23 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 42; Title 43; Title 44; Title 45; Title 46; Title 47; Title 48; Title 50; Title 53; Title 54; Title 55; Title 56; Title 61; Title 62; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to commerce.

SB1291/HB602 Timeframe for placing security freeze on consumer report.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Powell, Jason
Summary: Increases, from three to five days, the number of days a consumer reporting agency has to place a security freeze on a consumer report after receiving the written or electronic request from the Tennessee consumer. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/01/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 12; Title 43; Title 45; Title 47; Title 48; Title 50; Title 61; Title 66 and Title 67, relative to commerce.

SB1651 TACIR study on approaches to the regulation of artificial intelligence.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi ,
Summary: Requires TACIR to conduct a study on approaches to the regulation of artificial intelligence and submit a report of such study, Requires TACIR to submit a report of its findings, including recommended legislative approaches, to the speakers of the house and senate and the legislative librarian no later than January 1, 2025. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 47, relative to regulation of artificial intelligence.

SB1658 Data controllers to register with the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi ,
Summary: Requires certain data controllers to register with the consumer protection division of the office of the attorney general and reporter. Requires the division to create and maintain a website and accessible deletion mechanism that a consumer can use to make a single deletion request that is binding on all controllers registered with the division. Makes other related changes including the creation of the Information Protection Registry fund from the collected fees. Details how the fund should be used and how to deal with money at the end of the fiscal year.
Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18, relative to consumer data.

HB1802 Submission of audited financial statements and forms by charitable organization.

Sponsors: Rep. Leatherwood, Tom
Summary: Increases from \$500,000 to \$750,000 the threshold amount of gross revenue received by a charitable organization within the organization's fiscal year above which the organization is required to submit an audited financial statement and copies of any forms required by the United States internal revenue service when the organization submits its annual report to the secretary of state.
House Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the House
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 5, relative to charitable organizations.

CONSTRUCTION**SB969/HB1207 Tennessee Public Buildings Accessibility Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Powers, Bill , Rep. Carringer, Michele
Summary: Increases from 120 to 180 days the period within which a public building must come into full compliance if the public building was constructed, enlarged, or substantially altered or repaired after July 1, 2012, and is discovered to have deviated from the standards and specifications of the Tennessee Public Buildings Accessibility Act.
Amendment Summary: Senate State & Local Government Committee amendment 1 (005913) prohibits a local government from limiting the use of construction material that is approved by a national building code or the state fire marshal.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 6, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/28/23 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to summer study after adopting amendment 1 (005913).
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 120, relative to construction.

SB1444/HB655 Contractor licenses minimum project cost.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Howell, Dan

Summary: Increases the minimum total project cost amount for which a license as a contractor is required from \$25,000 to \$40,928. Ties the minimum total project cost amount to the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics' Producer Price Index by Industry: Building Materials and Supplies Dealers. Requires the board for licensing contractors to update the amount at least annually and publish the amount on its public website.

Amendment Summary: House Business & Utilities Subcommittee amendment 1 (005768) makes changes to the Contractors Licensing Act of 1994. Declares that a contractor is not a home improvement contractor if the total cost of the construction project is less than \$50,000. Increases the required surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit that an applicant for a home improvement contractor's license must file with the Board of State Licensing Contractors (BLC) from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Senate Commerce & Labor Committee amendment 1 (006027) makes changes to the Contractors Licensing Act of 1994. Increases, from \$25,000 to \$50,000, the minimum total project cost amount for which a license as a certain contractor, limited license, or building permit is required. Changes the amount, from \$25,000 to \$50,000, that is a Class A misdemeanor for any firm corporation or person accepting a bid to contract for a project if the contractor is not licensed. Increases the required surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit that an applicant for a home improvement contractor's license must file with the Board of State Licensing Contractors (BLC) from \$10,000 to \$25,000.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee recommended with amendment 1 (006027). Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.

House Status: 03/28/23 - Taken off notice in House Commerce Committee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 6, relative to contractors.

SB1666/HB1702 **Sunset - Go Build Tennessee Act extension.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Williams, Ryan

Summary: Extends the Go Build Tennessee Act by changing the repeal date from July 1, 2024, to July 1, 2029.

Senate Status: 01/09/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 41 and Title 62, Chapter 6, Part 1, relative to the Go Build Tennessee Act.

CRIMINAL LAW

SB354/HB463 **Requirements for securing a bail bond by real estate.**

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Slater, William

Summary: Lowers the amount, from two to one, the number of sureties required to sign a deed of trust when the defendant is seeking to secure a bail bond by real estate.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 24, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 01/26/23 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/01/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 16, Chapter 3, Part 8; Title 39 and Title 40, relative to bail bonds.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

SB85/HB154 **Employee Ownership, Empowerment, and Expansion Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Walley, Page , Rep. Marsh, Pat

Summary: Enacts the Employee Ownership, Empowerment and Expansion Act for the purposes of providing incentives for small businesses to establish employee stock ownership plans or trusts to convert a worker-owned cooperative without requiring employees to invest their own money. Provides three options to small business owners to sell their businesses, including conversion costs, employee ownership trusts and employee stock ownership plans. Defines provisions under each option. For tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, but prior to January 1, 2029, allows a credit up to 50% percent of conversion costs, not to exceed \$25,000 for worker-owned cooperatives and employee ownership trusts, and up to 50 percent of conversion costs, not to exceed \$100,000, for costs included under employee stock ownership plans. Specifies certain taxpayer obligations for the tax credit and allows the commissioner to conduct audits. Requires the department to submit a one-time report to the finance, ways and means committees of the house of representatives and the senate on or before January 1, 2024.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 4, 2023) Decrease State Revenue \$275,000/FY23-24 \$600,000/Each FY24-25 through FY28-29 \$50,000/FY29-30 and Subsequent Years Decrease Local Revenue \$50,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.

House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 9; Title 12, Chapter 3; Title 45; Title 50; Title 56, Chapter 1 and Title 67, relative to employee-owned businesses.

SB1283/HB1066 **Broadband ready community's ordinance or policy reviewing applications.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Raper, Kevin

Summary: Requires that a broadband ready community's ordinance or policy for reviewing applications must contain a provision that all applications related to the project be either approved or denied within 30 calendar days, rather than 30 business days, after the applications are submitted. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, relative to broadband.

EDUCATION

SB1216/HB1088 **Infrastructure stipend for LEA that experiences growth in ADM.**

Sponsors: Sen. White, Dawn , Rep. Baum, Charlie

Summary: Allows a local education agency (LEA) that experiences growth in its average daily membership (ADM), excluding the ADM of the LEA's virtual schools, exceeding 2 percent for each year of a two-consecutive-year period to be eligible for an infrastructure stipend for the 2023-2024 school year. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: House amendment 1 (005017) revises this bill to allow a local education agency (LEA) to be eligible for an infrastructure stipend for the 2023-2024 school year, if the LEA experienced average daily membership (ADM) growth in non-virtual schools exceeding two percent in the 2019-2020, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/15/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 04/13/23 - House passed with amendment 1 (005017).

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, relative to the Tennessee Investment in Student Achievement Act.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURE

SB91/HB18 **Classification of wetlands.**

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

Summary: Prohibits the department of environment and conservation from applying certain criteria that would result in the classification of real property as a wetland where the property is classified as prior converted cropland exempt from classification of a wetland by federal law.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 17, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/08/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status: 01/12/23 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 14, Part 4 and Title 69, relative to wetlands.

SB627/HB1053 Report on stream bank erosion provided to general assembly.

Sponsors: Sen. Taylor, Brent , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Removes an obsolete requirement that the commissioner of environment and conservation prepare and deliver a written report on stream bank erosion in this state to each member of the general assembly by January 15, 2000. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/08/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 43; Title 44 and Title 69, relative to water pollution control.

SB630/HB1055 Discharge permit exemptions.

Sponsors: Sen. Taylor, Brent , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Specifies that a discharge permit is not required under the Water Quality Control Act for excavations supporting agricultural activity or timber harvesting. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 5, 2023) Decrease State Revenue Exceeds \$300/FY23-24/Division of Water Management
Senate Status: 03/08/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.
House Status: 03/07/23 - Taken off notice in House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 221 and Title 69, relative to permits.

SB631/HB1054 Classification of real property as a wetland.

Sponsors: Sen. Taylor, Brent , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Prohibits the department of environment and conservation from applying criteria that will result in the classification of real property as a wetland, or otherwise regulating real property as a wetland, unless the property is classified as a wetland under federal law. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 2, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/08/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.
House Status: 01/17/24 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 01/23/24.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 11, Chapter 14, Part 4; Title 66 and Title 69, relative to wetlands.

SB713/HB599 Department of environment and conservation to collect and publish data on landslides and floods.

Sponsors: Sen. Oliver, Charlane , Rep. Powell, Jason
Summary: Requires the department to collect and publish data concerning landslides and floods. Requires the department to establish a network of weather stations across the state. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee amendment 1, House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee amendment 1 (004236) deletes all language after the enacting clause and clarifies that TEMA, rather than the department of environment and conservation, is responsible for establishing a network of weather monitoring stations called MesoNets.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 12, 2023) Increase State Expenditures - \$3,475,000/FY23-24 \$797,200/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 5; Title 58; Title 64, Chapter 3; Title 68 and Title 69, relative to weather-related information.

SB970/HB797 Reporting date for nonprofit partners of the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.

Sponsors: Sen. Powers, Bill , Rep. Johnson, Curtis
Summary: Extends the required reporting period, from 90 days after the fiscal year to 100 days, that a nonprofit that partners with the TWRA for marketing opportunities must file an annual report of their operation and accomplishments.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/08/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 69, Chapter 9 and Title 70, relative to wildlife resources.

SB1107/HB1113 Wildlife officers entering private property without owner's consent.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Reedy, Jay
Summary: Limits situations where wildlife officers may enter private property without the owner's consent, a warrant, exigent circumstances, or have observed a crime taking place.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 17, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/22/23 - Failed in Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 69, Chapter 9 and Title 70, relative to the powers of the wildlife resources agency.

SB1486/HB1514 Newly published regulations involving cooperative agreements between the TWRA and federal agencies.

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Grills, Rusty
Summary: Extends the effective date for newly published regulations involving cooperative agreements between the TWRA and federal agencies, from 30 days to 45 days after the publication date by the TWRA. Revises the due date for the submission of financial reports by the TWRA executive director to the governor and commission members, from September 15 to September 30 of each year. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated April 5, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 70, relative to wildlife resources.

SB1751 Removing a wild animal, fowl, or fish while trespassing on land penalty.

Sponsors: Sen. Rose, Paul ,
Summary: Increases the penalty from a Class C misdemeanor to a Class B misdemeanor for removing a wild animal, wild fowl, or fish while trespassing on land. Increases various fines under \$500 to not more than \$500. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the Senate
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to wildlife resources.

HJR50 Constitutional amendment - right to clean air, pure water.

Sponsors: Rep. Camper, Karen
Summary: Proposes adding a provision establishing the right to clean air, pure water, and the preservation of the natural, scenic, historic, and esthetic values of the state's environment.
House Status: 03/21/23 - Failed in House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

ESTATES & TRUSTS**SB811/HB1258 Serving copies of claims filed against an estate.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Vital, Greg
Summary: Requires a personal representative for an estate to serve a copy of each claim filed against the estate, within five days of receipt, to any known party interested in the estate, including creditors, distributees, and heirs. Broadly captioned.
(Dated February 17, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Fiscal Note:
Senate Status: 03/02/23 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in House Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 30, relative to probate.

SB1346/HB1477 Resignation notice requirement for trustees.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Hulse, Bud
Summary: Increases, from 30 to 35, the number of days in advance that a trustee seeking to resign is required to provide notice to the qualified beneficiaries, the settlor, if living, and all cotrustees. Broadly captioned.
(Dated February 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/22/23 - Senate Judiciary Committee deferred to 03/28/23.
House Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 30; Title 31; Title 32; Title 34; Title 35; Title 45 and Title 67, relative to trusts.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS

SB124/HB176 Required document specifications.

Sponsors: Sen. Walley, Page , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Requires documents submitted to the county register for registration to be in Times New Roman font with a minimum twelve-point font size.
Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1 (002667) requires documents submitted to the county register of deeds for registration to be written using a minimum 12-point font size.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 19, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/13/23 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (002667).
House Status: 02/21/23 - Taken off notice in House Local Government Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 24, Part 1, relative to registration of writings.

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

SB1611/HB1754 Sunset - department of general services.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Ragan, John
Summary: Extends the department of general services to June 30, 2028.
Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 4, Chapter 3, relative to the department of general services.

SB1621/HB1764 Sunset - real estate appraiser commission.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Ragan, John
Summary: Extends the real estate appraiser commission to June 30, 2030.
Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 62, Chapter 39, relative to the real estate appraiser commission.

SB1622/HB1765 Sunset - Tennessee Real Estate Commission.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Ragan, John
Summary: Extends the Tennessee Real Estate Commission to June 30, 2030.
Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 29 and Title 62, Chapter 13, relative to the Tennessee real estate commission.

SB1662/HB1708 Charitable organization fees and reporting.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. McCalmon, Jake
Summary: Changes certain fees payable to the secretary of state by certain charitable organizations from \$50 to \$10. Increases from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000 the amount of gross revenue received during a fiscal year to trigger certain reporting requirements. Assesses a late fee of \$25 per month on certain financial reports that are not timely filed.
Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 01/17/24 - Set for House Department & Agencies Subcommittee 01/24/24.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 17, Part 1 and Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 5, relative to charitable organizations.

SB1757/HB1670 Discrimination - time frame for human rights commission to serve notice.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Behn, Aftyn
Summary: Increases, from 10 days to 10 business days, the time period from receipt of a complaint of a discriminatory practice having been committed in which the human rights commission must serve on the complainant a notice acknowledging the filing of the complaint and informing the complainant of the respondent's time limits and choice of forums, and the time period within which the commission must furnish the respondent with a copy of the complaint and a notice advising the respondent of the respondent's procedural rights and obligations. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Filed for Introduction
House Status: 01/10/24 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 1; Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 13; Title 40; Title 49; Title 56; Title 57; Title 63; Title 65 and Title 68, relative to discrimination.

GOVERNMENT REGULATION

SB493/HB1007 Relocation of undocumented aliens into this state by an agency, business, or person.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Grills, Rusty
Summary: Establishes a procedure under which each license, certificate, or registration of an agency, business, or person is revoked in this state if the attorney general and reporter verifies that such agency, business, or person facilitated the relocation of undocumented aliens into this state. Broadly captioned.
(Dated February 20, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/30/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/23/23 - Set for House Floor 03/30/27.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 62; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to undocumented aliens.

SB1640/HB1783 UAPA - permanent rules filed with secretary of state between January 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Ragan, John
Summary: Continues permanent rules filed with the secretary of state between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2023, that are in effect on the effective date of this act until repealed or amended by subsequent rule of the appropriate rulemaking agency or until otherwise superseded by legislative enactment.
Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.
Caption: AN ACT relative to agency rules scheduled to expire pursuant to the provisions of the Uniform Administrative Procedures Act, compiled in Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 5.

SB1735/HB1807 Building inspection time frame for new construction or renovation.

Sponsors: Sen. Rose, Paul , Rep. Butler, Ed
Summary: Requires the state fire marshal or another state entity that receives an inspection request for new construction or the renovation of an existing building to conduct the inspection within 72 hours of receipt of the request. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the House
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 62; Title 66 and Title 68, relative to building inspections.

INSURANCE GENERAL**SB836/HB991 Restrictions on insurers of homeowner's or renter's insurance.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Beck, Bill
Summary: Prohibits an insurer of homeowner's insurance, renter's insurance, or insurance that covers a manufactured or mobile home from making certain changes to or refusing to issue a policy based solely on the specific breed or mixture of breeds of a dog that lives or is otherwise cared for on the property to which the policy applies.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 23, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Insurance Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, relative to insurance.

JUDICIARY**SB873/HB541 Petitions for the removal and destruction of records by party to civil litigation.**

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Harris, Torrey
Summary: Authorizes a party to civil litigation to petition the court for removal and destruction of records under certain circumstances. Defines "public records" to mean trial court records. Clarifies that the definition of "public records" does not include appellate court records or appellate court opinions.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 17, 2023) Increase Local Revenue Exceeds \$1,260,900/FY23-24 Exceeds \$1,519,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 03/22/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/01/23 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 9, Chapter 8; Title 10, Chapter 7; Title 16; Title 18; Title 20; Title 21; Title 27; Title 28; Title 29; Title 50, Chapter 6 and Title 66, relative to court records in civil actions.

LABOR LAW**SB909/HB693 Written consent requirement for appointing authorities to enter private property.**

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Parkinson, Antonio
Summary: Prohibits an appointing authority from entering a government employee's private property or residence without written consent from the employee. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 25, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Failed in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/23/23 - Taken off notice in House Calendar & Rules Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8 and Title 50, relative to government employees.

SB1028/HB1502 Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. McKenzie, Sam
Summary: Enacts the "Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Act," which supports Tennessee families by incentivizing employers to contribute to the childcare costs of its employees. Details who, what, and how much money is to be contributed to childcare costs. Allows a public and private partnership pilot program and administer program funds. Requires an annual report on funding and lists of companies and number of employees involved. States the fund consists of moneys appropriated by the general assembly, contributions, gifts, or grants made available for the purposes of the program. (12pp). Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated April 10, 2023) Increase State Revenue \$12,251,500/FY23-24/ Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Fund \$10,451,500/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years / Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Fund Increase State Expenditures \$12,251,500/FY23-24/General Fund \$12,251,500/FY23-24/ Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Fund \$10,451,500/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/ General Fund \$10,451,500/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/ Employee Child Care Assistance Partnership Fund SB 1028 - HB 1502
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 50 and Title 56, relative to childcare assistance.

SB1109/HB637 Religious exemption to immunization requirement.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Barrett, Jody
Summary: Requires an employer that requires an immunization as a condition of employment or continued employment to exempt from the immunization requirement a person who files a signed, written statement that the immunization conflicts with the person's religious tenets or practices; prohibits an employer from taking adverse action against a person who files a statement of religious objection. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate Commerce and Labor Committee amendment 1 (005236) establishes that an employer who requires an immunization as a condition of employment or continued employment must grant an exemption from the requirement to an employee who files a written statement of religious objection. Prohibits an employer from taking an adverse action against a person who files a statement of religious objection. Allows healthcare providers to implement and provide reasonable accommodation measures to a person who files a statement of religious objection in order to protect the safety and health of other persons from communicable diseases. Creates a private right of action against an alleged violator for a person injured as a result of a violation of the proposed legislation. Excludes an employer that is a Medicare or Medicaid certified healthcare provider, to the extent such healthcare provider is subject to a valid and enforceable Medicare or Medicaid condition or requirement of participation that imposes a requirement contrary to the proposed legislation. Senate Commerce and Labor Committee amendment 3 (005926) establishes that an employer who requires an immunization as a condition of employment or continued employment must grant an exemption from the requirement to an employee who files a written statement of religious objection. Prohibits an employer from taking an adverse action against a person who files a statement of religious objection. Allows healthcare providers to implement and provide reasonable accommodation measures to a person who files a statement of religious objection in order to protect the safety and health of other persons from communicable diseases. Creates a private right of action against an alleged violator for a person injured as a result of a violation of the proposed legislation. The proposed legislation does not apply to a person in this state who is subject to an employment-related immunization requirement because the person is employed by the federal government or is performing work pursuant to a contract with the federal government.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/20/23 - Failed in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee after adopting amendment 1 (005236) and amendment 3 (005926).
House Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 14; Title 37; Title 50 and Title 68, relative to religious exemptions for immunizations.

SB1290/HB1196 **Notice of apprenticeship programs available on department's website.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Williams, Ryan
Summary: Requires the commissioner of the department of labor and workforce development to ensure that a listing of apprenticeship programs approved by made available to the public on the department's public website and updated twice annually.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 50; Title 62 and Title 67, relative to apprenticeships.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SB75/HB28 **Adoption of comprehensive growth plan prior to annexation.**

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Lamberth, William
Summary: Deletes requirement that municipalities adopt a comprehensive growth plan and have an approved urban growth boundary prior to annexing unincorporated territory. Requires all counties and municipalities that have an effective flood insurance rate map or flood hazard boundary map published by FEMA that identifies a special flood hazard area within the political boundaries of the county or municipality to meet the requirements for participation in the national flood insurance program administered by FEMA. Gives a county or municipality that does not currently have an effective flood insurance rate map or flood hazard boundary map published by FEMA that identifies a special flood hazard area within the political boundaries of the county or municipality 24 months from the effective date of any future flood insurance rate map or flood hazard boundary map published by the FEMA to meet the requirements for participation in the national flood insurance program.
Amendment Summary: House Local Government Committee amendment 1 (006368) prohibits a municipal planning commission or regional planning commission (Planning Commission) from adopting a development plan (Plan) that vests a municipality with the authority to exercise planning or zoning authority over property outside of the jurisdictional boundaries of the municipality, until and unless such property is annexed by a municipality. Provides that if a Plan vesting a municipality with such powers over unincorporated territory was adopted prior to this act, then a municipality is required to comply strictly with the parameters of the Plan. Requires a municipality's jurisdiction over such territory to cease to exist once the municipality has fulfilled its obligations under a Plan, until and unless such property is annexed by the municipality. Permits a CLB to adopt the following provisions by resolution: (1) a municipality must send a copy of the annexation resolution by certified mail to the chair of the county legislative body (CLB) and the annexation process is delayed until such notice is received; (2) a municipality shall not act on an annexation proposal until the applicable CLB approves the annexation by resolution; and (3) a municipality shall not approve an annexation proposal if the applicable CLB disapproves the annexation by resolution or if the municipality does not receive the resolution of CLB approval within 60 days of the county receiving notice of the proposed annexation.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 2, 2023) Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any decrease in local expenditures associated with funding for economic and community development boards cannot reasonably be determined.
Senate Status: 03/29/23 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to the first calendar of 2024.
House Status: 04/05/23 - House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee deferred to first calendar of 2024.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 10; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13; Title 49 and Title 65, Chapter 4, relative to comprehensive growth plans.

SB413/HB361 **Grant program for nonprofit organizations that rent property below market rate.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Love Jr., Harold
Summary: Allows local governments to create a program to provide grants to eligible nonprofit organizations that own residential property and rent the property for at least 25 percent below market rate. Requires the local government to set a maximum amount of grant money available to each nonprofit organization. Requires the local government to obtain approval for the program by the comptroller of the treasury prior to implementing a program. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 9, 2023) Increase State Expenditures - \$117,700/FY23-24 \$115,200/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any permissive increase in local government expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to a grant program.

SB513/HB471 **Annual report on tourist development zone.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Crawford, John
Summary: Authorizes a municipality or public authority in which a tourism development zone is located to file with the commissioner of finance and administration and the state building commission its annual report concerning the zone in an electronic format. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: House Local Government Committee amendment 1 (003781) enacts the Tennessee Landowner Bill of Rights which expands the rights and ownership of private property within reasonable means. Limits the regulatory power of the municipal government's approval authority over private property. Allows for more economic and investment expansion through decreased regulatory oversight.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 27, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/28/23 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7; Title 13 and Title 66, relative to regulation of development.

SB634/HB1064 **Annexation - plan of services provided by municipality.**

Sponsors: Sen. Taylor, Brent , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Increases from three to four the number of copies of a plan of services that a municipality must provide for public inspection in connection with a proposed annexation. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 19, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/02/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6 and Title 68, Chapter 221, relative to municipal services.

SB662/HB711 **Release taxpayers of double taxes.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Capley, Kip
Summary: Requires, rather than allows, county legislative bodies to release taxpayers from double taxes if they have been incurred and correct errors in the tax list. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 16, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6 and Title 67, relative to local government taxes and fees.

SB707/HB1010 **Municipalities agreeing to jointly engage one building inspector.**

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Grills, Rusty
Summary: Lowers the population threshold, from 25,000 to 20,000, below which two or more cities may agree to jointly engage one building inspector.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/20/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 01/17/24 - Set for House Property & Planning Subcommittee 01/24/24.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7 and Title 68, Chapter 120, relative to governmental approval.

SB787/HB1268 **Timeframe for filing answer to petition initiating a condemnation proceeding.**

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Slater, William

Summary: Increases, from 30 to 60 days, the time in which a respondent who is not satisfied with the amount deposited by a condemner, or objects to a taking through the use of eminent domain, must file an answer to the petition initiating a condemnation proceeding.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 29, Chapter 17 and Title 29, Chapter 16, relative to eminent domain.

SB820/HB1206 **Minimum number of regular meetings of the county legislative body each year.**

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

Summary: Increases from four to six, the minimum number of regular meetings of the county legislative body each year. Specifies that, until otherwise set by ordinance by the board of commissioners in a city under a city manager-commission charter, regular meetings of the board must be held on the first and third Tuesdays, instead of Thursdays, of each month. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: House Property & Planning Subcommittee amendment 1 (006369) prohibits a local government from enacting a local real estate transfer tax by public or private act. Prohibits a county from enacting an adequate facilities tax or impact fee on development by private or public act after December 1, 2023.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 23, 2023) Increase Local Expenditures \$200/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years/Bledsoe County *

Senate Status: 03/28/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 03/22/23 - Failed in House Property & Planning Subcommittee after adopting 1 (006369).

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6 and Title 67, relative to local government.

SB1341/HB1472 **Affordable housing and workforce development fund allocation - Shelby County.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lamar, London , Rep. Towns Jr., Joe

Summary: Authorizes Shelby County to appropriate funds for affordable housing or workforce housing. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 16, 2023) Other Fiscal Impact A precise impact on expenditures for Shelby County cannot be reasonably determined, but is considered permissive.

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 13; Title 67 and Title 71, relative to affordable housing.

SB1373/HB287 **Reporting on state funds paid to acquire property through eminent domain.**

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Russell, Lowell

Summary: Requires the commissioner of finance and administration to report the total amount of state funds paid to acquire property through eminent domain in the 2021-2022 year to the chairs of the finance, ways and means committees of the senate and the house and the office of legislative budget analysis by January 1, 2024. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 20, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 29, Chapter 17; Title 29, Chapter 16 and Title 65, Chapter 27, relative to eminent domain.

SB1380/HB1525 **Establishing central business improvement district - notice required.**

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Carringer, Michele

Summary: Increases, from 3 weeks to 4 weeks, the amount of time that a notice of a public hearing to determine establishing a central business improvement district must be posted in a newspaper of general circulation. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 13; Title 65; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 69, relative to improvement districts.

SB1446/HB400 **White Bluff - assess fees for impact on infrastructure projects.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Littleton, Mary

Summary: Local bill for Town of White Bluff that authorizes the town to construct, regulate, and assess fees for the use of or impact upon, certain public infrastructure projects. Authorizes the town to exercise eminent domain for purposes of acquiring property for such projects. Amends Chapter 25 of the Private Acts of 2003.

Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Local bill held on Senate clerk's desk.

House Status: 02/01/23 - Referred to House Local Government Committee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Chapter 25 of the Private Acts of 2003; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Town of White Bluff.

HB1546 **Burns - meetings for board of commissioners.**

Sponsors: Rep. Littleton, Mary

Summary: Local bill for Burns that moves from the first Monday in April to the second Monday in April the date for the biennial organizational meeting of the incoming board of commissioners. Moves the monthly meeting of the board to the second Monday of each month. Expands the board's authority with respect to public infrastructure and the board's ability to exercise eminent domain in furtherance of that purpose. Amends Chapter 89 of the Private Acts of 2008.

House Status: 02/23/23 - Referred to House Local Government Committee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Chapter 89 of the Private Acts of 2008; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Town of Burns.

LOTTERY

SB1669/HB1651 **Application by nonprofit organization to operate a charitable gaming event.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Whitson, Sam

Summary: Establishes a five-day period after the effective date of this act during which a nonprofit organization may apply to operate a charitable gaming event during the annual period beginning July 1, 2023, until June 30, 2024.

Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 01/17/24 - Set for House Department & Agencies Subcommittee 01/24/24.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 17, relative to charitable gaming.

MISCELLANEOUS

SB1661/HB1707 **Charitable Solicitations Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. McCalmon, Jake

Summary: Revises various provisions regarding the regulation of charitable solicitations regarding the age of organization to be regulated, public contributions, and tax exemption status. Allows a civil penalty to be assessed if violations occur.

Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 01/17/24 - Set for House Department & Agencies Subcommittee 01/24/24.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 5, relative to charitable organizations.

PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE

SB770/HB989 Posting of info on board website regarding disciplining contractor, home improvement services provider.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Beck, Bill

Summary: Requires the state board for licensing contractors to post, within 15 days, instead of 30 days, of the board's action with regard to the board disciplining a contractor, home improvement services provider, or home improvement contractor, on the board's website information identifying the person, the violation, and the date a penalty was imposed. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 3, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 50; Title 62 and Title 68, relative to professions.

SB1105/HB592 Repeals the Soil Scientist Licensure Act of 2009.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Reedy, Jay

Summary: Repeals the Soil Scientist Licensure Act of 2009.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 12, 2023) Decrease State Revenue - \$5,200/FY23-24 and Every Two Years Thereafter/ Geologist and Soil Scientist Board \$20,400/FY24-25 and Every Two Years Thereafter/ Geologist and Soil Scientist Board

Senate Status: 01/17/24 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 01/24/24.

House Status: 04/21/23 - House passed.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 18, Part 2 and Section 62-36-114, relative to the Soil Scientist Licensure Act of 2009.

SB1445/HB593 Change of business address of a licensed polygraph examiner - notice required.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Darby, Tandy

Summary: Decreases from 30 days to 21 days the time following a change of business address that a licensed polygraph examiner or licensed company has to notify the commissioner of commerce and insurance in writing. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/14/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/01/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

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

PROPERTY & HOUSING

SB234/HB528 Number of times an entity is permitted to contact property owner to make an unsolicited offer.

Sponsors: Sen. Oliver, Charlane , Rep. Thompson, Dwayne

Summary: Limits the number of times that a real estate developer, business entity, or individual working on behalf of the developer or business entity is permitted to contact a property owner to make an unsolicited offer to buy the property owner's property. Allows a property owner who believes a developer has violated the limitation to submit a complaint to the consumer affairs division in the office of the attorney general. Adds additional requirements and penalties for a violation. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1 (005363) limits, to one time in a calendar year, the number of times that a person is permitted to contact a property owner to make an unsolicited offer to buy the property owner's property. Requires a person to provide the property owner with specified contact information prior to making an unsolicited offer. Authorizes a property owner who believes a person has violated the limitation to submit a complaint to the Consumer Affairs Division in the Office of the Attorney General (AG). Requires the AG to begin investigating a complaint within 20 business days from the date the complaint is submitted, provide written notice of the investigation to the property owner and send written notice to the property owner upon completion of the review describing the findings of the review, including whether the individual who contacted the property owner is a licensed real estate agent, and the actions, if any, as a result of the findings. Authorizes a court to assess a fine up to \$1,500 per violation as well as other reasonable costs and expense. Establishes this legislation does not apply to an individual who is licensed as a real estate agent in the state in which the real property about which the individual contacted the property owner is located.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/20/23 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (005363).

House Status: 03/21/23 - House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee deferred to second calendar of 2024.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 33, Part 2; Title 47 and Title 66, relative to consumer protection.

SB337/HB97 Establishes a property fraud alert program.

Sponsors: Sen. Oliver, Charlane , Rep. Hardaway, G.A.

Summary: Requires each county office of register of deeds to offer a no-cost property fraud alert program to property owners. Stipulates that the program must allow property owners to register the property owner's name and address and must notify property owners when a document is recorded with this information. Provides that the county office of register of deeds is only required to provide this program if the county's legislative body appropriates funds to pay the full cost of the program. Creates a Class D felony for unlawfully drawing property transfer documents without interest in the property but clarifies that penalties for violations may only be applied to prohibited conduct on or after July 1, 2023.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 17, 2023) Increase Local Expenditures \$6,000/FY23-24/Permissive \$800/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/Permissive

Senate Status: 03/28/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 03/22/23 - House Property & Planning Subcommittee deferred to first calendar of 2025.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 13; Title 35; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 45; Title 47; Title 66 and Section 67-4-409, relative to property.

SB427/HB476 Historic zoning commission recommendations.

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

Summary: Requires that the recommendations submitted by a regional historic zoning commission to a county or municipal legislative body regarding the creation of a historic district or zone identify the statutory criteria or criterion met by the proposed historic zone or district. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 01/26/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/01/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 12; Title 13; Title 66 and Title 67, relative to land use regulation.

SB490/HB560 Private Property Protection Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Todd, Chris

Summary: Provides a method for a property owner to seek just compensation for a diminution in value of the property caused by the enactment or enforcement of land use regulations on the property.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2023) Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$10,000/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years* Other Fiscal Impact Due to multiple unknown factors, the extent of any additional impacts on local government revenue and expenditures cannot be reasonably determined.

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/08/23 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, relative to compensation for the diminution in value of private property.

SB642/HB833 **Manufactured home connection to septic system.**

Sponsors: Sen. Powers, Bill , Rep. Burkhart, Jeff
Summary: Requires an affidavit of affixation for a manufactured home affixed to a parcel of real property to contain a statement that the manufactured home is permanently connected to a functioning septic system, not just a septic system. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 8, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/20/23 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to the first calendar of 2024.
House Status: 03/21/23 - House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee deferred to 2024.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 47; Title 55; Title 66; Title 68 and Title 69, Chapter 3, relative to septic systems.

SB658/HB623 **Discloser of sinkholes on properties.**

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. Jernigan, Darren
Summary: Specifies that a seller of residential property is required to disclose the presence of a known sinkhole on the property prior to entering into a contract with a buyer regardless of whether the sinkhole is indicated through the contour lines on the property's recorded plat map.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 16, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/18/24 - Set for Senate Floor 01/22/24.
House Status: 03/16/23 - House passed.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56 and Title 66, relative to sinkholes.

SB732/HB733 **Directory of brokers licensed by TN real estate commission on commission website.**

Sponsors: Sen. Rose, Paul , Rep. Rudd, Tim
Summary: Requires the Tennessee real estate commission to provide on its website at no cost to users any directory of all brokers and affiliate brokers licensed by the commission if the commission publishes such a directory. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/01/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 62 and Title 66, relative to real estate.

SB795/HB1259 **Transfer of a possibility of reverter or right of entry by a holder other than the original grantor.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Vital, Greg
Summary: Removes ambiguous language and clarifies that a transfer of a possibility of reverter or right of entry by a holder other than the original grantor is invalid unless the validity of the future interest was determined by a final judgment in a judicial proceeding, or by a settlement among interested persons, prior to July 1, 2015. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1, House Civil Justice Subcommittee amendment 1 (003741) clarifies that a tenancy by the entirety in real property cannot be assigned or severed, or a spouse's interest in a real property conveyed, to a third party without the written consent of both spouses or a court order.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 16, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/27/23 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (003741).
House Status: 04/05/23 - Taken off notice in House Civil Justice Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29 and Title 66, relative to real property.

SB954/HB674 **TACIR study on gated neighborhoods related to crime.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Bulso, Gino
Summary: Requires the Tennessee advisory commission on intergovernmental relations (TACIR) to perform a study of the deterrent effect of gates blocking ingress and egress into communities as it relates to the rates of neighborhood crimes. Requires the study to be submitted to the general assembly no later than December 31, 2023.
Amendment Summary: House Property & Planning Subcommittee amendment 1 (005734) rewrites the bill and applies to gated communities in counties with populations in excess of 247,000 people according to the 2020 U.S. census. Requires HOAs in such gated communities to conduct a security assessment every three years and to report its findings. Requires the HOA to notify homeowners in gated communities of crimes committed within the gated community within seven days of an incident. Senate Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (006289) requires certain homeowner's associations (HOAs) to obtain a written assessment of the subdivision's security vulnerabilities and to provide each household in the subdivision with a copy of the assessment, on or before July 1, 2024, and every three years thereafter. Requires such HOAs to notify each household in the subdivision of any crime committed or reported within the subdivision.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 16, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (006289). Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
House Status: 03/22/23 - Failed in House Property & Planning Subcommittee after adopting 1 (005734).
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38; Title 39; Title 66 and Title 68, relative to gated communities.

SB1000/HB1046 **THDA - votes required to approve the operation of financial assistance programs.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Decreases, from nine to eight, the number of affirmative votes required by members of the Tennessee Housing Development Agency's board of directors in order for the agency to approve the operation of its financial assistance programs, which support the financing of residential housing construction for lower and moderate income persons and families. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate State & Local Government Committee amendment 1, House Local Government Committee amendment 1 (006168) creates the Tennessee Rural and Workforce Housing Act. Authorizes the owner of a qualified project to claim a tax credit (credit) against a taxpayer liability for a state fee, premium, tax or other charge in an amount not to exceed the federal housing tax credit for which the qualified project received. Defines a qualified project as a low-income building located in this state and placed in service after January 1, 2025, that receives a federal housing tax credit allocation from the Tennessee Housing Development Agency (THDA). Authorizes the credit to be allocated among partners, members, or shareholders of the business entity or association owning a qualified project regardless of whether such business entities or associations are allocated or allowed any portion of the federal housing tax credit with respect to the qualified project. Prohibits the credit amount from exceeding the amount of the taxpayer's liability. Authorizes any unused tax credit to be carried forward to the taxpayer's next five years of liability but prohibits the credit from applying against prior tax years. Requires the credit amount allocated to such owners of a qualified project to equal the proportion the taxpayer received for the federal housing tax credit. Prohibits the total credit amount allocated in any fiscal year from exceeding \$17,000,000 plus the total of all unallocated credits, if any, for any preceding years, and the total amount of any previously allocated tax credits that have been recaptured, revoked, canceled, or otherwise recovered but not otherwise reallocated. Requires THDA to create rules and operate the new credit program and requires the THDA to allocate the credit to promote the highest value for greatest public benefit, provided that at least 50 percent of the credits are allocated to qualified projects in an eligible rural area as designated by the United States Department of Agriculture.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/17/23 - House Government Operations Committee recommended. Sent to House Finance.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 53; Title 13; Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 3; Title 56 and Title 67, relative to housing.

SB1030/HB35 **Notice to HOAs regarding transfer of ownership of property.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Thompson, Dwayne
Summary: Increases, from 30 to 35, the number of business days a business entity that owns residential property in this state that is subject to a declaration has to send to the homeowners' association a change in contact information for the business entity or a transfer of the ownership interest in the residential property. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 12, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 01/12/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 48 and Title 66, relative to homeowners' associations.

SB1082/HB1344 Preparing and filing deed for the conveyance of real property.

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Beck, Bill
Summary: Requires that a deed for the conveyance of real property be prepared and filed by a licensed attorney, title insurance agent, or the owner of the property. Requires the county register to verify that an affidavit on a deed of conveyance of real property was duly signed and notarized stating under oath the name and address of the preparer. Requires the register to refuse to register any deed of conveyance of a real property that is not prepared by a licensed attorney, title insurance agent, or the owner of the real property. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 16, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 13; Title 23, Chapter 3; Title 66, Chapter 5, Part 1 and Title 66, Chapter 24, relative to conveyances of real property.

SB1128/HB1240 Notice required prior to enacting a zoning ordinance.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Jernigan, Darren
Summary: Requires the chief legislative body of a municipality, before enacting a zoning ordinance or any amendment thereto, to publish notice of the public hearing to consider the ordinance or amendment on its website, if available, at least 15 days in advance of the hearing. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 19, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, relative to zoning.

SB1137/HB1229 Notifications to THDA related to metro government that creates escrow account to provide funding for low income housing.

Sponsors: Sen. Oliver, Charlane , Rep. Hemmer, Caleb
Summary: Requires a county having a metropolitan form of government that creates a special escrow account earmarked for the sole purpose of generating revenue to provide low income persons with safe and affordable housing to notify the Tennessee housing development agency and the chairs of the local government committee of the house of representatives and the state and local government committee of the senate. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13, Chapter 23; Title 48, Chapter 101, Part 9; Title 67, Chapter 5 and Section 67-4-409, relative to real property.

SB1184/HB1116 Fee requirement for the transfer of real property within communities governed by certain nonprofit property owners' associations.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Russell, Lowell
Summary: Requires payment of a \$2,500 fee for the transfer of real property located within communities governed by certain nonprofit property owners' associations. Adds other related requirements including fee collection, reporting, and how to use the collected fees.
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8 and Title 66, relative to the transfer of real property.

SB1185 Notice to lender required for pending eviction of mobile home.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art ,
Summary: Requires a mobile home lot owner to provide notice to the lender of financing for the mobile home of a pending eviction. Authorizes the mobile home lot owner to seek payment of rent for the mobile home if the lender does not move it within 10 days of the eviction. Requires that the charged rent must not exceed the average rent for a comparable lot in the county where the property is located. Allows the lot owner to pursue a civil suit for payment. Provides remedies for the lot owner if the mobile home is deemed to be abandoned according to certain outlined criteria.
Fiscal Note: (Dated April 10, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29; Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 4 and Title 66, relative to mobile homes.

SB1188/HB171 Fuel Gas Detector Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Lamar, London , Rep. Chism, Jesse
Summary: Enacts the "Fuel Gas Detector Act." Requires a building owner to install or cause to be installed at least one fuel gas detector in every room containing an appliance fueled by propane, natural gas, or a liquefied petroleum gas in each unit in a building of multi-family occupancy and any residential property under a lease agreement and intended for single-family use. Specifies penalties for violations of this Act (10 pp.).
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 01/24/23 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47; Title 49; Title 66 and Title 68, relative to building safety.

SB1201/HB1276 Circumstances under which a contractor can seek early release of a retainage.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Boyd, Clark
Summary: Specifies circumstances under which a contractor can seek early release of a retainage held by a party with which the contractor has a written contract. Makes other changes related to retainages for contractors including permits, use of, or ability to use, the remote contractor's work, and certificate of substantial completion. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate Commerce & Labor Committee amendment 1, House Business & Utilities Subcommittee amendment 1 (006120) revises various provisions related to retainage in contracts. Effective January 1, 2024. Applies to contracts entered into, amended, or renewed on or after that date.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 9, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 04/03/23 - Senate deferred to first calendar of 2024.
House Status: 04/04/23 - House Commerce Committee deferred to third calendar of 2024.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 16, Chapter 15 and Title 66, relative to retainages.

SB1256/HB34 Shelby County - landlord registration.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Thompson, Dwayne
Summary: Requires residential landlords in Shelby County to furnish certain information to the agency or department of local government that is responsible for enforcing building codes in the jurisdiction where the dwelling units are located.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 1, 2023) Increase Local Revenue \$27,300/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years/Permissive/Shelby County
Senate Status: 03/07/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/01/23 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 28, relative to landlord registration.

SB1276/HB1305 Landlord disclosures to residential tenants.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbrow, Jeff , Rep. Thompson, Dwayne

Summary: Requires a landlord, or another person authorized to enter into a rental agreement on the landlord's behalf, to disclose to a residential tenant certain contact information for the agent authorized to manage the premises and an owner of the premises, or a person or agent authorized to act for and on behalf of the owner for the acceptance of service of process and for receipt of notices and demands.

Amendment Summary: House Business & Utilities Subcommittee amendment 1 (006178) requires a landlord, or another person authorized to enter into a rental agreement on the landlord's behalf, to disclose certain information to a residential tenant. Authorizes a tenant who requests such information in writing to bring a cause of action if the information is not provided within 10 days of the tenant submitting the request. Requires the court to order the information be provided and award the tenant reasonable costs and attorneys' fees, if the court finds that the landlord or the landlord's agent failed to comply.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 9, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 03/21/23 - Failed in House Business & Utilities Subcommittee after adopting amendment 1 (006178).

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to landlord obligations.

SB1296/HB52 Notice requirement for land surveyors conducting boundary surveys.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Hale, Michael

Summary: Expands notice requirement for land surveyors conducting boundary surveys by requiring them to notify all adjoining landowners of the survey rather than just when the surveyor discovers or reasonably should have discovered discrepancies between the deed descriptions of the adjoining owners. Specifies that notice be sent by certified mail to the current address used for mailing property tax notices within five business days of the completion of the survey.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/20/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

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

SB1324/HB1355 Public notice requirements for a foreclosure sale of real property.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Farmer, Andrew

Summary: Updates requirements regarding public notice for a foreclosure sale of real property, including a requirement that public notice is posted on the secretary of state's website.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2023) Increase State Revenue \$488,900/FY23-24 \$977,800/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Increase State Expenditures \$146,000/FY23-24 \$56,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 04/05/23 - Returned to House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 35, relative to foreclosure sales.

SB1646 Former public officials may contest liens on real property.

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky ,

Summary: Adds former public officials to the list of officials who may contest liens on real property believed to lack any legal basis.

Senate Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 47-9-513 and Title 66, Chapter 21, Part 1, relative to real property interests.

SB1659 Increase in acreage for tax jurisdiction purposes.

Sponsors: Sen. Walley, Page ,

Summary: Increases from 1,500 to 5,000 the number of acres of land that may be placed within one property tax jurisdiction for purposes of classification and assessment as agricultural, forest, or open space land. 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.

Senate Status: 01/17/24 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 01/23/24.

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

SB1694/HB1814 Disclosure of information to residential tenant by landlord.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbrow, Jeff , Rep. Thompson, Dwayne

Summary: Requires a landlord, or another person authorized to enter into a rental agreement on the landlord's behalf, to disclose to a residential tenant certain contact information for the agent authorized to manage the premises and an owner of the premises, or a person or agent authorized to act for and on behalf of the owner for the acceptance of service of process and for receipt of notices and demands. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to landlord obligations.

SB1761/HB1850 Regulation by counties to prohibit gardens, chickens, and rabbits on single-family residential lots.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Reedy, Jay

Summary: Prohibits counties and municipalities from adopting or enforcing a regulation that prohibits the growing of fruits and vegetables or the raising or keeping of six or fewer chickens or six or fewer adult rabbits on a single-family residential lot. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 01/12/24 - Filed for Introduction

House Status: 01/18/24 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13 and Title 43, relative to the regulation of food production.

HB1696 Reduction of acreage requirements for property to qualify as agricultural land.

Sponsors: Rep. Moon, Jerome

Summary: Requires land to be a single tract of at least 15 acres, 2 noncontiguous tracts within the same county if one is at least 15 acres and the other is less than 15 acres constituting a farm unit, or 2 noncontiguous tracts within the same county totaling at least 15 acres.

House Status: 01/10/24 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 10, relative to the classification of agricultural land.

HB1849 THDA reports on info relating to grants, tax credits, and other funds distributed through the authority.

Sponsors: Rep. Parkinson, Antonio

Summary: Requires THDA to report quarterly to each member of the general assembly information relating to grants, tax credits, and other funds distributed through the authority, the resources utilized by the authority to facilitate such distributions, and information relating to mechanisms by which the public may apply for and access such distributions. Broadly captioned.

House Status: 01/12/24 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 6, Chapter 58; Title 9 and Title 13, Chapter 20, relative to the Tennessee housing development authority.

HJR139 Home affordability and impact fees.

Sponsors: Rep. Sparks, Mike

Summary: Directs TACIR to review home affordability and rising costs of impact fees.

House Status: 04/19/23 - House adopted.

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SB754/HB1354 TACIR study on fees assessed by registers.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Farmer, Andrew
Summary: Requires the Tennessee advisory commission on intergovernmental relations (TACIR) to study the fees assessed by registers pursuant to present law, including, at a minimum, the amount in fees collected, the amount in fees not collected, the method by which the fees are collected, and a comparison of such fees to similar fees assessed in neighboring states. Requires TACIR to report its findings to the chair of the senate judiciary committee, the chair of the civil justice committee of the house of representatives, and the legislative librarian by January 1, 2024.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 19, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 21, Part 10, relative to registers' fees.

SB1292/HB1420 Base salary increase for certain preferred service employees.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Butler, Ed
Summary: Increases the starting salaries and wages by 15% for the following preferred service employees: fire and building code inspector manager, fire and building code inspector supervisor, fire and building code inspector, levels 2 and 3, firefighting commission coordinator, manufactured home inspector advanced, manufactured home inspector associate, manufactured home inspector consultant, manufactured home inspector INT, and manufactured home inspector manager.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 13, 2023) Increase State Expenditures - \$610,900/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact - The FY23-24 Governors proposed budget includes funding for a five percent raise for state employees. If the proposed five percent raise is enacted, then the required increase in state expenditures resulting from this legislation will be \$407,300 in FY23-24 and subsequent years.
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/28/23 - Taken off notice in House Public Service Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 47; Title 48; Title 56 and Title 68, relative to the department of commerce and insurance.

SB1433/HB1526 Issuance and renewal of business licenses.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Kumar, Sabi
Summary: Transfers the duty to issue and renew business licenses from the county clerks and city officials to the department of revenue.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 13, 2023) Increase State Revenue \$488,800/FY23-24/DOR \$575,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/DOR Increase State Expenditures \$276,200/FY23-24/DOR \$523,300/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years/DOR Decrease Local Revenue \$488,800/FY23-24 \$575,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact Any decrease in local government expenditures cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty.
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/14/23 - Taken off notice in House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 21, Part 7; Section 50-6-904 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 7, relative to business licenses.

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

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Cepicky, Scott
Summary: Limits the commissioner of revenue to granting only one extension of time for a taxpayer to file a franchise and excise tax return. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 29, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/20/23 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.
House Status: 01/30/23 - Withdrawn in House.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, relative to taxation.

SB173/HB247 Business tax exemption.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Barrett, Jody
Summary: Exempts services or people engaged in the appraisal of real estate or real property from business tax.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2023) Decrease State Revenue \$111,100/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years Decrease Local Revenue \$115,700/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 04/20/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.
House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 7, relative to business tax.

SB340/HB1505 Childcare Advance Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Mitchell, Bo
Summary: Enacts the "Childcare Advance Act," which allows taxpayers to defer payment of business taxes according to a schedule approved by the department of revenue. Specifies that on or after January 1, 2024, and prior to January 1, 2028, a taxpayer who is subject to taxation under this part and who incurs eligible childcare expenses during a business tax period may elect to defer payment of the taxpayer's tax liability for that tax period by the amount of eligible childcare expenses, but not to exceed \$2,000.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 12, 2023) Increase State Revenue \$181,300/FY29-30 \$279,300/FY30-31 \$377,300/FY31-32 \$392,000/FY32-33 through FY37-38 \$308,700/FY38-39 \$210,700/FY39-40 \$112,700/FY40-41 \$14,700/FY41-42 Decrease State Revenue \$833,000/FY24-25 \$980,000/FY25-26 through FY27-28 Net Impact \$63,700/FY28-29 Increase Local Revenue \$188,700/FY29-30 \$290,700/FY30-31 \$392,700/FY31-22 \$408,000/FY32-33 through FY37-38 \$321,300/FY38-39 \$219,300/FY39-40 \$117,300/FY40-41 \$15,300/FY41-42 Decrease Local Revenue \$867,000/FY24-25 \$1,020,000/FY25-26 through FY27-28 Net Impact \$66,300/FY28-29 SB 340 - HB 1505
Senate Status: 03/14/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance Revenue Subcommittee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to tax relief for taxpayers with childcare expenses.

SB837/HB1019 Pregnancy Resource Tax Credit Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Taylor, Brent , Rep. Doggett, Clay
Summary: Enacts the "Pregnancy Resource Tax Credit Act," which authorizes business, excise, and franchise tax credits for businesses that make monetary contributions to eligible nonprofit organizations that provide certain pregnancy-related services.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 12, 2023) Decrease State Revenue \$150,000/FY23-24 \$585,000/FY24-25 \$625,000/FY25-26 \$665,000/FY26-27 \$705,000/FY27-28 \$745,000/FY28-29 and Subsequent Years Decrease Local Revenue \$255,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, relative to tax credits.

SB849/HB793 Filing of return for franchise or excise tax - exception.

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy
Summary: Removes exception that allows persons subject to the franchise tax or excise tax who were registered under prior law, or who have filed a return under prior law, to not be required to complete and file a registration information form.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 9, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 20 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 21, relative to taxation.

SB981/HB1117 Exemption from franchise and excise taxes - community development entity.

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Exempts from franchise and excise taxes, a community development entity or sub-community development entity that is certified by the United States department of the treasury's community development financial institutions fund, and that has received an allocation of the federal new markets tax credits or federal sub-new markets tax credits from a community development entity that is used to fund a qualified low-income community investment in a Tennessee facility or operations of a business or nonprofit entity where the qualified low-income community investment expands the Tennessee-based operations of the business or nonprofit entity.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 6, 2023) Decrease State Revenue Exceeds \$40,000/FY23-24 Exceeds \$100,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 20 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 21, relative to exemptions from franchise and excise taxes.

SB1009/HB1490 Business Tax Act administration.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Clemmons, John
Summary: Deletes the provision granting broad discretion to the commissioner of revenue to administer the Business Tax Act from July 1, 2013, to December 31, 2014. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: Senate Finance Revenue Subcommittee amendment 1, House Government Operations Committee amendment 1 (003845) requires all publicly traded corporations, including those traded on foreign stock exchanges, doing business in the state of Tennessee for which 50 percent or more of the corporation's voting stock is owned, directly or indirectly, by a publicly traded corporation to file an additional tax disclosure statement with the Secretary of State (SOS). Authorizes corporations who must file the additional statement that are not required to file a Tennessee excise tax return to elect to file an alternative statement with the SOS containing all applicable information that is submitted by filing corporations who also file an excise tax return; an explanation of why the corporation is not required to file a Tennessee excise tax return; and identification of the filing corporations total gross receipts from sales to purchasers in Tennessee. Clarifies additional statements submitted are open for public review. Imposes a civil penalty up to \$5,000 if a corporation fails to submit an additional statement within 60 days after it is due. Allows applicable corporations required to file the additional statement to submit supplemental, publicly available, information to facilitate proper interpretation of the information contained in the additional statement. Requires the Department of Revenue (DOR) to offer assistance to the SOS. Subjects the required statements to audit by the DOR. Effective January 1, 2024.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 6, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 03/20/23 - House Government Operations Committee recommended with a negative recommendation with amendment 1 (003845). Sent to House Finance.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, relative to taxation.

SB1310/HB157 Elimination of business tax.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Baum, Charlie
Summary: Eliminates the business tax for tax periods that begin on or after January 1, 2024. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2023) Decrease State Revenue \$285,600,000/FY23-24 \$336,000,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Decrease Local Revenue \$274,735,600/FY23-24 \$323,218,300/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 04/20/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.
House Status: 01/24/23 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 7- 52-606; Section 38-1-201; Section 39-17-1806; Section 50-6-904; Section 58-2-205; Section 58-2- 204; Section 62-44-102 and Title 67, relative to business tax.

SB1710/HB1629 Recordation tax - revenue distributed to counties for school debt and school capital projects.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Cepicky, Scott
Summary: Requires half of the unencumbered revenue from the recordation tax to be distributed to counties for school debt and school capital projects.
Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to the recordation tax.

TAXES GENERAL

SB1050/HB468 Time required to keep and preserve tax collection records.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Hemmer, Caleb
Summary: Extends from three years to five years, the amount of time that a metropolitan government tax collection official must keep and preserve tax collection records. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: House Property & Planning Subcommittee amendment 1 (006293) allows the proceeds from a tax levied upon the occupancy of a short-term rental unit secured through a short-term rental unit marketplace that is distributed to the metropolitan government by the department of revenue, may be deposited into an account created by the metropolitan government pursuant to an ordinance and used exclusively for promoting affordable housing for residents of limited means within the county with the remaining proceeds must be used as otherwise provided by law. Senate State & Local Committee amendment 1 (006680) authorizes all or a portion of the proceeds from a tax upon the occupancy of a short-term rental unit secured through a short-term rental unit marketplace to be deposited into an account created by the metropolitan government and used exclusively for promoting affordable housing for residents of limited means.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 27, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/29/23 - Senate State & Local Government Committee recommended with amendment 1 (006680). Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
House Status: 04/11/23 - Taken off notice in House Local Government Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 4, relative to taxation.

SB1235/HB1422 Taxpayer reporting a debt owed to certain governmental claimants.

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken , Rep. Hicks, Gary
Summary: In the case of a taxpayer who reports a debt owed to certain governmental claimants and who is owed a tax refund, specifies that the method of notification provided by the commissioner of revenue to the treasurer and each claimant must be by email or in writing. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 9, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/14/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance Revenue Subcommittee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxes.

TAXES PROPERTY

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

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Cepicky, Scott
Summary: Raises the initial tax rate authorized by the County Powers Relief Act for residential development from \$1 per square foot to \$3 per square foot. Prohibits a county from increasing the tax rate within a 4-year period of the last tax raise. Allows a county to raise the tax rate to a maximum of 10% following the 4-year period.
Senate Status: 01/20/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 01/20/23 - Withdrawn in House.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 29, relative to the County Powers Relief Act.

SB121 Tax exemptions for tree canopy cover.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank ,
Summary: Creates tax exemption for portions of property that provide tree canopy cover in certain counties, subject to the approval of the local governing body in such counties.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 30, 2023) Other Fiscal Impact The fiscal impact of the proposed legislation is dependent upon whether Davidson County elects to come under its provisions. If Davidson County does elect to, there will be a one-time increase to state expenditures of \$10,000 for modifications to the online exemption application; any subsequent recurring increase to state revenue cannot be estimated. The proposed legislation would also result in a recurring decrease to local revenue and increase to local expenditures, both of which cannot be quantified but are considered permissive.
Senate Status: 01/20/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property tax exemptions.

SB171/HB565 Referendum to approve a property tax increase that exceeds specified thresholds.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Todd, Chris
Summary: Requires a local governmental entity to hold a referendum to approve a property tax increase that would cause the local government to realize an increase in total revenue exceeding inflation plus two percent or would cause the local government to realize an increase in total revenue exceeding inflation plus six percent over the preceding three tax years.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 24, 2023) Forgone Local Revenue Exceeds \$1,000,000/FY23-24 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 01/21/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/23 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 48 and Title 67, relative to real property taxes.

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

Sponsors: Sen. Lowe, Adam , Rep. Raper, Kevin
Summary: Increases, from \$27,000 to \$50,000, the maximum market value on which property tax relief is calculated for elderly, low-income homeowners.
Amendment Summary: House amendment 1 (004659) increases the property value threshold for determining the extent of any property relief payments to low-income, elderly or disabled, taxpayers from \$27,000 of the full market value of the property to \$40,000 of the full market value of the property.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2023) Increase State Expenditures \$7,720,000/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any permissive increase on local government expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/21/23 - House passed with amendment 1 (004659).
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 7, relative to property tax relief.

SB793/HB1450 Exemption - lots purchased for construction of single family residence for low-income household.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Faison, Jeremy
Summary: Increases from 18 to 24 months the period of exemption from real property taxes to which a charitable organization is entitled for the first lot purchased or developed by the organization for the construction of a single family residence for a low-income household. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 30, 2023) Other Fiscal Impact The extent and timing of any permissive decrease to local property tax revenue cannot be estimated.
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7; Title 13; Title 48; Title 49; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to low-income housing.

SB1192/HB1209 Time for eligible taxpayers to apply for refund or present a credit voucher for credit on taxes.

Sponsors: Sen. McNally, Randy , Rep. Sexton, Cameron
Summary: Extends the time eligible taxpayers may apply for a refund or present a credit voucher for credit on their taxes from within 35 days from the date taxes in the jurisdiction become delinquent for that year to within 40 days from that date. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: House Property & Planning Subcommittee amendment 1 (005794) creates a property tax study committee to study property tax rates; methods of valuing and appraising property for purposes of levying property taxes; and policies and methods regarding statutory limits on tax increases, including an evaluation of such policies and methods and any expected effects in the short-term and long-term with the committee consisting of ten (10) members. Requires the committee to study the current method of valuing and appraising property for purposes of levying residential property taxes in this state and similarly situated states and to study examples of states that have enacted limits on property tax increases, including, but not limited to, creating a statewide property tax rate, capping rate increases at a certain percent, or locking in property values to the purchase price or the market value at the time of transfer or material improvement to the property. Requires the committee to report its findings on or before February 1, 2024.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/28/23 - Taken off notice in House Local Government Committee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 9; Title 28; Title 66 and Title 67, relative to real property.

SB1244/HB935 Local property tax reimbursement for disabled veterans.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. McKenzie, Sam
Summary: Expands property tax relief for disabled veterans by reimbursing veterans who have acquired a disability rating of 100 percent for a permanent and total service-connected disability for all of the local property taxes paid on property that the disabled veteran owned and used as the disabled veteran's residence.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 30, 2023) Increase State Expenditures \$180,500/FY23-24 Exceeds \$12,706,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact Due to the lack of data concerning percentages of disability for veterans, a precise impact to state expenditures cannot be reasonably determined. Additionally, the extent of any permissive impact on local government expenditures cannot reasonably be estimated.
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 7, relative to disabled veterans.

SB1277/HB969 Redefines "industrial and commercial property."

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Thompson, Dwayne
Summary: Redefines "industrial and commercial property" for assessment and classification purposes to include real property that is used, or held for use, for dwelling purposes in which 50 or more single family, residential properties are owned by one individual, entity, or association, including, but not limited to, investor groups, within one county and used, or held for use, as rental property. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 4, 2023) Increase Local Revenue Exceeds \$2,903,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/08/23 - House Property & Planning Subcommittee deferred to second calendar of 2024.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property taxes.

SB1332/HB341 Extension to property assessment notice publication.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Reedy, Jay
Summary: Extends, from 20 days to 30 days after the date the division of property assessments publishes notice of the availability of the proposed use value schedule in a newspaper, the deadline by which a petition must be filed by owners of agricultural, forest, or open space land to convene a hearing of the state board of equalization.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 22, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 01/30/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 10, relative to property classified as agricultural, forest, or open space land.

SB1340/HB1509 Informal review of property assessment or county reappraisal.

Sponsors: Sen. Lamar, London , Rep. Dixie, Vincent
Summary: Shortens the timeline, from 10 days to 7 days, before a county of board of equalization adjourns before a property assessor may provide taxpayers with an informal review of a property assessment or reappraisal.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/22/23 - Taken off notice in House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property taxes.

SB1367/HB1361 Increase in the full market value of a disabled veteran's residence for calculation of property tax reimbursement.

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Farmer, Andrew
Summary: Increases the maximum full market value, from \$175,000 to \$210,000, of a disabled veteran's residence that is to be used in calculating reimbursement for property tax paid by the disabled veteran.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 3, 2023) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$4,618,100/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any permissive impact on local government expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.
Senate Status: 04/21/23 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 2024.
House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-704, relative to property tax relief.

SB1399/HB1250 Providing of estimates of annual income limit for eligibility in the property tax relief program.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Martin, Brock
Summary: Adds the directors of the office of legislative budget analysis to the list of persons to whom the comptroller must provide the estimates of the annual income limit for eligibility in the property tax relief program that is likely to maintain the program at a constant level of expenditure.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to taxation.

SB1439/HB880 Timeframe for county mayor to give notice regarding reappraisal program not being completed timely.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Martin, Greg
Summary: Changes from December 1 to November 15, the time by which the county mayor must notify in writing the executive secretary to the state board of equalization of the possibility that the reappraisal program may not be completed timely and the reasons therefor. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/14/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to property taxes.

SB1470/HB1265 County board of equalization hearings.

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Warner, Todd
Summary: Changes who has the discretion to determine whether a hearing on a complaint before a county board of equalization will be held virtually from the board to the taxpayer or owner.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 14, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/22/23 - Taken off notice in House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, relative to the county board of equalization.

SB1536/HB1535 Coffee County - acquiring of property at tax sale.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Bricken, Rush
Summary: Provides that whenever Coffee County acquires property at a tax sale, any non-governmental entity holding a vested and duly recorded contractual right to the payment of fees or assessments secured by the property retains such right. Further provides that Coffee County will be liable for the payment of such fees and assessments if the county makes actual use of the property purchased at the tax sale.
Fiscal Note: (Dated April 5, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/16/23 - Referred to Senate Delayed Bills Committee.
House Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 20 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to property bought by a county at a tax sale.

SB1725/HB1813 Property tax relief for disabled veterans.

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty , Rep. Reedy, Jay
Summary: Expands eligibility for property tax relief to a veteran who acquired a service-connected disability that is determined by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs to be permanent and total due to individual unemployment.
Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the House
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-704, relative to property tax relief for disabled veterans.

SB1733 Tax exemptions for tree canopy cover.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank ,
Summary: Creates tax exemption for portions of property that provide tree canopy cover in certain counties, subject to the approval of the local governing body in such counties. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the Senate
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to tree canopies.

SJR158 Constitutional Amendments - state tax on property.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank ,
Summary: Proposes additional language in Article II, Section 28 to prohibit the general assembly from levying, authorizing, or otherwise permitting a state tax on property.
Senate Status: 02/06/23 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

HB244 Property tax relief for elderly low-income homeowners.

Sponsors: Rep. Hale, Michael

Summary: Increases income eligibility limits for property tax relief for elderly low-income homeowners and disabled homeowners from \$24,000 to \$36,600 beginning tax year 2024. Increases income eligibility limits for property tax relief for elderly low-income homeowners under the Property Tax Freeze Act to \$36,600. Increases the full market value limit on which property tax reimbursement is calculated for eligible elderly low-income homeowners and disabled homeowners to \$35,000. Increases the full market value limit on which property tax reimbursement is calculated for disabled veteran and surviving spouse homeowners to \$200,000.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 24, 2023) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$5,120,900/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact The extent of any permissive impact on local government expenditures cannot reasonably be determined.

House Status: 01/24/23 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 7, relative to property tax relief.

HB1646 Minimum size requirements for property to qualify as agricultural land under the greenbelt law.

Sponsors: Rep. Moon, Jerome

Summary: Reduces, from 15 acres to 12 acres, the minimum size requirements for property to qualify as agricultural land under the greenbelt law.

House Status: 01/09/24 - Introduced in the House

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 10, relative to the classification of agricultural land.

HB1715 Property tax relief for veterans with disabilities.

Sponsors: Rep. Freeman, Bob

Summary: Requires the state to reimburse veterans with permanent and total disabilities for 100% of the local property taxes paid on their residences. Removes the limitations that such reimbursement be a partial payment and that it be paid on the first \$175,000 of the full market value of the residence.

House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-704, relative to property tax relief for veterans with disabilities.

HB1734 Classification of agricultural land under the greenbelt law.

Sponsors: Rep. Moon, Jerome

Summary: Revises the minimum size requirements for one of two noncontiguous tracts of property to qualify as agricultural land under the greenbelt law, from a size of at least 10 acres to less than 15 acres.

House Status: 01/11/24 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 10, relative to the classification of agricultural land.

HJR81 Constitutional amendment - state tax on property.

Sponsors: Rep. Darby, Tandy

Summary: Proposes an amendment to Article II, Section 28 of the Constitution of Tennessee, to prohibit taxation of property by the State.

House Status: 04/21/23 - House adopted on third reading.

TAXES SALES

SB462/HB1187 Sale tax distribution change.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Summary: Reduces from 29.0141 percent to 28.5262 percent, the share of state sales and use tax revenue deposited to the state general fund. Increases, from 4.6030 percent to 5.0909 percent, the share appropriated to municipalities.

Amendment Summary: House Finance Subcommittee amendment 1 (006663) requires that all revenue generated from the increase in the rate of sales and use tax from the tax levied at the rate of 2.75% on the amount in excess of \$1,600 but less than \$3,200 on the sale or use of any single article of personal property must be paid into the state general fund and allocated exclusively for general state purposes. Requires that revenue generated from the increases in the rate of sales and use tax from 6% to 7% must be apportioned, paid, and allocated in specific amounts over every fiscal year for the next six fiscal cycles. Requires all revenue generated from the 0.5% increases in the sales and use tax rate that became effective April 1, 1992, must be deposited in the state general fund and earmarked for education purposes in K-12 schools. Requires that revenue generated from the 0.5% must continue to be deposited in the state general fund and earmarked for education purposes in K-12 schools regardless of whether the tax rate is reduced below 6%.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 9, 2023) Increase State Revenue \$551,400/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years /Municipal Technical Advisory Service Decrease State Revenue \$55,142,000/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years /General Fund Increase Local Revenue \$54,590,600/FY22-23 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status: 04/20/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-103, relative to distribution of revenues.

SB767/HB789 Share of state sales and use tax revenue appropriated to municipalities.

Sponsors: Sen. Lowe, Adam , Rep. Richey, Bryan

Summary: Increases, over a five-year period, from 4.6030 percent to 5.0909 percent, the share of state sales and use tax revenue appropriated to municipalities. Reduces, over a five-year period, from 29.0141 percent to 28.5262 percent, the share of state sales and use tax revenue deposited to the state general fund.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2023) Increase State Revenue \$137,900/FY24-25/MTAS \$220,500/FY25-26/MTAS \$330,800/FY26-27/MTAS \$441,100/FY27-28/MTAS \$551,400/FY28-29 and Subsequent Years/MTAS Decrease State Revenue \$13,788,300/FY24-25/General Fund \$22,050,000/FY25-26/General Fund \$33,080,700/FY26-27/General Fund \$44,111,400/FY27-28/General Fund \$55,142,000/FY28-29 and Subsequent Years /General Fund Increase Local Revenue \$13,650,400/FY24-25 \$21,829,500/FY25-26 \$32,749,900/FY26-27 \$43,670,200/FY27-28 \$54,590,600/FY28-29 and Subsequent Years HB 789 - SB 767

Senate Status: 03/14/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance Revenue Subcommittee.

House Status: 04/18/23 - Taken off notice in House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-6-103, relative to distribution of revenues.

SB1356/HB1424 Requirements for the retainment of records and invoices associated with filed sales and use tax return.

Sponsors: Sen. Powers, Bill , Rep. Hicks, Gary

Summary: Changes, from December 31 to December 15, the date from which a dealer must, for a period of three years, keep and preserve records and invoices that are associated with a filed sales and use tax return. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/14/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Finance Revenue Subcommittee.

House Status: 02/02/23 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

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

SB1741/HB1835 Sales tax allocation.

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Rudd, Tim

Summary: Allocates 2.83% of the sales and use tax collected in the 11 fastest-growing counties to such counties. Requires such counties to earmark such revenue for educational facility maintenance and construction and infrastructure.

Senate Status: 01/11/24 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status: 01/11/24 - Filed for Introduction

Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 6, relative to the sales and use tax.

HJR134 Housing solutions for Tennesseans in need by TennCare.

Sponsors: Rep. Dixie, Vincent
Summary: Urges the Bureau of TennCare to seek a Section 1115 waiver to provide housing solutions for Tennesseans in need.
House Status: 02/01/23 - Referred to House Health Subcommittee.

TRANSPORTATION GENERAL

SB1096/HB684 Revises definition of "visible" in the Outdoor Advertising Control Act of 2020.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Carr, Dale
Summary: Changes the definition of "visible" in the Outdoor Advertising Control Act of 2020 to "capable of being seen and comprehended without visual aid by a person traveling the posted speed limit on the main traveled way of the highway." Authorizes the commissioner of transportation to issue vegetation control permits to owners of outdoor advertising device permits to remove, block cut, or trim vegetation located on the right-of-way, without regard to whether it is adjacent to the device, if the vegetation prevents clear visibility for a certain distance to occupants of vehicles using the main traveled ways of the controlled systems.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 4, 2023) Other Fiscal Impact This legislation may result in a loss in highway funding from the Federal Highway Administration due to failure to comply with relevant federal laws and regulations. The exact amount of any possible decrease in such federal funding cannot be determined at this time.
Senate Status: 03/15/23 - Senate Transportation & Safety Committee deferred to the first calendar of 2024.
House Status: 03/15/23 - Taken off notice in House Transportation Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 21, relative to outdoor advertising.

SB1413/HB1353 Timeframe for enforcing rules to implement Outdoor Advertising Control Act of 2020.

Sponsors: Sen. Swann, Art , Rep. Farmer, Andrew
Summary: Deletes an obsolete statutory provision regarding the date and time frame in which the commissioner of transportation was to begin promulgating and enforcing rules to implement the Outdoor Advertising Control Act of 2020.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 1, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/15/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.
House Status: 03/15/23 - Taken off notice in House Transportation Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 54, Chapter 17 and Title 54, Chapter 21, relative to outdoor advertising.

SB1473/HB1218 Reporting of operations by railroad companies.

Sponsors: Sen. McNally, Randy , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy
Summary: Requires railroad companies to send to the department of transportation, on an annual basis, a report containing statements of the operations of the company, unless the railroad companies prepare such statements of operations on a monthly or quarterly basis. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/15/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.
House Status: 02/02/23 - 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; Title 66 and Title 67, relative to railroads.

HB1690 Notice for parties involved in lawsuit to secure an easement or right-of-way.

Sponsors: Rep. Lamberth, William
Summary: Requires the sheriff to give the parties involved in a lawsuit to secure an easement or right-of-way four days' notice of the time and place of the proceeding before a jury instead of three days' notice. Broadly captioned.
House Status: 01/10/24 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 12; Title 13; Title 29; Title 54; Title 62 and Title 64, relative to right-of-way acquisition.

TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES

SB175/HB162 Report on placards issued to transporters of manufactured homes.

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Moon, Jerome
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.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 20, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/21/23 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.
House Status: 01/20/23 - 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.

UTILITIES

SB129/HB526 Removal of requirements for water treatment project fees and rates.

Sponsors: Sen. Walley, Page , Rep. Haston, Kirk
Summary: Removes requirement for receipt of certain grants and loans for water and wastewater treatment infrastructure projects that a municipality includes depreciation in its calculation of fees or rates.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 3, 2023) Other Fiscal Impact Any increase in revenue and expenditures for the State Revolving Fund and local governments cannot be quantified with reasonable certainty. Any impact on local governments is considered permissive.
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/15/23 - Taken off notice in House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 9; Title 65; Title 67 and Title 68, relative to utilities.

SB347/HB1123 Condemning of property outside service area of utility.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Thompson, Dwayne
Summary: Prohibits a utility district from condemning property outside the service area of the utility.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 30, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/26/23 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/08/23 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 82, relative to utility districts.

SB632/HB1063 Waterworks construction loan agreement - failure of municipality to comply with payment schedule.

Sponsors: Sen. Taylor, Brent , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Increases, from five to ten, the number of days the commissioner of finance and administration has to send notice to a municipality regarding the municipality's failure to remit funds in accordance with the amortization schedule for the municipality's waterworks construction loan agreement. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/02/23 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 9; Title 13; Title 65 and Title 68, relative to utilities.

SB1358/HB943 Map indicating where provider offered broadband service.

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Alexander, Rebecca
Summary: Requires franchise holders, and certificated providers, that provide broadband service to file on or before July 1, 2023, and by July 1 of the two subsequent years thereafter, a map or other information with the appropriate regulatory entity indicating the specific locations where the provider offered broadband service that is capable of delivering download speeds of at least 100 Mbps and upload speeds of at least 20 Mbps.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 9, 2023) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/20/23 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/23 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7 and Title 65, relative to broadband services.

VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS

SB376/HB446 Veterans' Bill of Rights.

Sponsors: Sen. Campbell, Heidi , Rep. Glynn, Ronnie
Summary: Enacts the "Veterans' Bill of Rights," which helps veterans obtain a job through work programs and loans for starting a business, use their military experience to access degrees, certifications, and occupational licenses, ensure veterans' healthcare and mental healthcare is affordable and adequate, and find affordable and reliable housing for homeless veterans. Requires a report on findings and recommendations to be sent to the governor and the general assembly by February 1 of each year (10 pp). Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 26, 2023) Increase State Expenditures - \$1,879,100/FY23-24 \$1,312,300/FY24-25 and Subsequent Years Other Fiscal Impact This legislation would result in significant additional state and local expenditures to provide veterans with additional resources; however, due to multiple unknown factors, any such increase cannot be reasonably estimated.
Senate Status: 03/21/23 - Taken off notice in Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 03/22/23 - Taken off notice in House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 33; Title 49; Title 58, Chapter 3; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to veterans' rights.

HB1684 Resilient Tennessee Revolving Loan Fund Act.

Sponsors: Rep. Lamberth, William
Summary: Creates the Resilient Tennessee Revolving Fund Act. Declares that disaster mitigation and resiliency are of the highest priority to the state. Ensures that Tennessee is ready and able to receive federal funds from the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act. Requires the following money to be deposited into the fund: money received through FEMA and the STORM Act, money appropriated by the general assembly, investment and interest earnings, money received as repayment of loan principal and interest, and all money received by the fund. Requires money in the fund to be used to provide loans at an interest rate not exceeding 1% to eligible recipients. Allows money in the fund to be used to provide loans and financial assistance to recipients that mitigate the impacts of natural hazards. Requires TEMA to administer the fund and adopt rules and regulations for the fund's administration. Requires the agency to publish information about all projects receiving funding.
House Status: 01/10/24 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.
Caption: AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 2, relative to the establishment of the Resilient Tennessee Revolving Loan Act.