

Tennessee REALTORS Bill Report

2025 Bill Report

SB7/HB73 Tennessee Historical Commission - authority to approve or recommend

renovations to property.

Sponsors Sen. Lowe, Adam; Rep. Howell, Dan

Category State Government

Summary Specifies the authority of the Tennessee Historical Commission to approve or recommend certain

renovations or alterations of improved public or private real property that is or may be of historical, architectural, or cultural significance in this state or that is listed on the Tennessee register of historic places. Prohibits the Tennessee Historical Commission and certain other state entities from taking adverse action against certain real property owners, including the assessment of a penalty or

fine. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 01/15/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 01/28/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 8; Title 13 and Title 66, relative

to historic preservation.

Position Monitor

SB12/HB151 Property tax relief for disabled veteran homeowners.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Gant, Ron

Category Taxes Property

Summary Changes the reimbursement amount for property tax relief for disabled veteran homeowners.

Increases the reimbursement amount from payment on the first \$175,000 of the full market value of

the home to payment on the first \$200,000 of the full market value.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 16, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES General Fund FY26-27 &

Subsequent Years >\$4,565,900 OTHER FISCAL IMPACT The extent of any permissive impact on

local government expenditures cannot be reasonably determined.

Senate Status 01/15/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 01/28/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

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

relief for veterans.

Position Support

SB14/HB24 Increases penalties for various wildlife violations.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Hemmer, Caleb

Category Environment & Nature

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 for other wildlife

violations that are currently under \$500 to not more than \$500. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 8, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE Wildlife Resources Fund FY25-26 &

Subsequent Years NET \$312,900 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUE Mandatory FY25-26 & Subsequent Years NET \$382,400 EXPENDITURES Mandatory FY25-26 & Subsequent Years \$36,000 Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the

General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.

Senate Status 02/26/25 - Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee recommended. Sent to

Senate Finance.

House Status 02/19/25 - House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee deferred to special calendar.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70, relative to wildlife resources.

Position Monitor

SB30/HB55 Creation of a misdemeanor offense for providing a false name to law

enforcement.

Sponsors Sen. Pody, Mark; Rep. Lamberth, William

Criminal Law Category

Summary Creates a class C misdemeanor to an individual who refuses to properly identify themselves to a

> law enforcement officer if the officer has reasonable suspicion or has lawfully detained the individual. Adds littering or trespassing upon any real or personal property with the intent to

unlawfully intimidate as an offense of intimidating others from exercising civil rights.

Senate Status 01/15/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39; Title 40; Title 54 and Title 55, relative to

criminal offenses.

Position Monitor

SB113/HB199 Variances for subsurface sewage disposal systems.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Reeves, Lee

Environment & Nature Category

Requires an agreement or contract entered into between the commissioner of environment and Summary

> conservation and a county health department for the department to implement subsurface sewage disposal requirements to include authority for the commissioner to issue a variance in certain

circumstances.

(Dated February 15, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT Fiscal Note

Senate Status 02/24/25 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/11/25.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 221, Part 4, relative to variances Caption

for subsurface sewage disposal systems.

Position Monitor

SB118/HB54 Report required by treasurer under the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act.

Sponsors Sen. Hatcher, Tom; Rep. Moon, Jerome

Property & Housing Category

Summary Allows the treasurer to file the annual report regarding the total amount and value of abandoned or

unclaimed property with certain executive and legislative branch officials electronically. Broadly

captioned.

(Dated January 6, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT Fiscal Note

Senate Status 01/15/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 01/15/25 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 43; Title 44; Title 47; Title 48 and Title 66,

relative to property.

Position Monitor

SB119/HB1142 Updated definition of manufactured home.

Sen. Hatcher, Tom; Rep. Boyd, Clark Sponsors

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires this state's definition of manufactured home to automatically update with the definition of

manufactured home under title 42 of the United States Code, which currently excludes a self-

propelled recreational vehicle.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 3, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/20/25 - Senate passed.

03/05/25 - Set for House Commerce Committee 03/12/25. House Status

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47; Title 55 and Title 68, relative to Caption

manufactured homes.

Position Monitor

SB125/HB474 Study on possible expansion of all state-funded financial aid and scholarship

programs.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Education Category

Requires the Tennessee higher education commission, in consultation with the department of labor Summary

> and workforce development, to study all state-funded financial aid and scholarship programs in this state to determine whether programs may be expanded to provide greater financial aid opportunities for individuals interested in pursuing a workforce credential. Requires the commission to report its findings and any legislative recommendations to the committee of the house of representatives having jurisdiction over higher education and to the education committee of the senate no later than

January 15, 2026. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 25, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT 01/16/25 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. Senate Status

02/05/25 - Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee. House Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 49 and Title 50, relative to financial aid

for individuals pursuing workforce credentials.

Position

SB126/HB95 Recordation taxes disbursement.

Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Shaw, Johnny **Sponsors**

Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires half the revenue collected from recordation taxes be returned to the county in which the

real property is located on a recurring basis. Applies to transfers of real property on or after July 1,

2025

Senate Status 01/16/25 - Held on Senate clerk's desk.

House Status 01/28/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to transfers of realty.

Position Monitor

SB128/HB164 Timeframe for decision rendered by board of veterinary medical examiners

on licensure application.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Marsh, Pat

Category Professions & Licensure

Summary Decreases, from 60 days to 50 days, the amount of time from the date the board of veterinary

medical examiners receives a completed application for initial licensure to practice veterinary medicine from an applicant that the board must either render a decision on the application or inform

the applicant of the need to appear before the board. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 14, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee deferred to 03/19/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 63, relative to professions.

Position Monitor

SB129/HB331 THDA - bond issuance.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Baum, Charlie

Category Property & Housing

Summary Increases, from \$4 billion to \$6 billion, the maximum aggregate principal amount for which the

agency may issue bonds and notes at any one time.

Amendment Senate State & Local Government amendment 1 (004355) changes the maximum aggregate

Summary principal amount increase from \$6 billion to \$5 billion.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 25, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/04/25 - Senate State & Local Government recommended with amendment 1 (004355). Sent to

Senate Finance, Ways & Means.

House Status 02/24/25 - House passed.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-23-121, relative to the Tennessee

housing development agency.

Position Monitor

SB130/HB175 Use of drones to locate and retrieve deer that have been wounded by

hunters.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Darby, Tandy

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Authorizes the Tennessee Fish and Wildlife Commission to promulgate rules or pass proclamations

to authorize the use of unmanned aircraft, including drones, to locate and retrieve deer that have

been wounded by hunters.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 18, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/26/25 - Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee recommended. Sent to

Senate Calendar Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39 and Title 70, relative to the use of

unmanned aircraft for deer recovery when hunting.

Position Monitor

SB132/HB149 Establishes a regulatory framework for solar energy facilities in this state.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Gant, Ron

Category Energy & Mining

Summary Establishes a regulatory framework for solar energy facilities in this state. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 01/16/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. House Status 01/28/25 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7, Chapter 51 and Title 65,

Chapter 17, relative to utility facilities.

Position Monitor

SB137/HB183 Approval of an application for proposed development without public

comment.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Keisling, Kelly

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires a county or municipal legislative body to approve an application for a proposed

development without allowing public comment, if the legislative body determines that the proposed development is in substantial compliance with the zoning regulations or map that was previously

made available for public review and comment.

Senate Status 02/03/25 - Withdrawn in Senate.

House Status 01/27/25 - Taken off notice in House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 44 and Title 13, Chapter 7, relative

to development.

Position Monitor

SB144/HB969 Report on future transportation infrastructure.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Hawk, David

Category Transportation General

Summary Directs department of transportation to study transportation infrastructure needs, costs, and funding

sources for the years 2026, 2050, and 2075. Allocates and deposits tax revenue from the sale and use of new or used motor vehicles and new or used tires in the state highway fund. Broadly

captioned

Amendment Senate Transportation and Safety Committee amendment 1, House Transportation Committee amendment 1 (003980) requires all sales and use tax revenue generated from the sale of new

amendment 1 (003980) requires all sales and use tax revenue generated from the sale of new or used motor vehicles and tires to be deposited in the Highway Fund. Allocates single article sales tax collections on the retail sale of new or used motor vehicles to the Highway Fund. Requires the Department of Transportation (TDOT) to conduct a study determining infrastructure needs, costs,

and funding sources for the years 2027, 2050, and 2075, and to report findings and

recommendations to certain legislative committees by January 1, 2027. Becomes effective October

1, 2025.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 16, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT Highway Sinking Department Department of

REVENUE General Fund Fund Fund of Revenue Transportation FY25-26 & \$1,177,235,500 (\$1,142,769,200) (\$10,812,900) (\$4,325,200) \$34,859,900 Subsequent Years EXPENDITURES Highway Fund FY25-26 \$500,000 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUE Mandatory FY25-26 &

(\$49,835,300) Subsequent Years

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Senate Transportation & Safety Committee recommended with amendment 1 (003980).

Sent to Senate Finance.

House Status 02/25/25 - House Transportation Committee recommended with amendment 1 (003980). Sent to

House Finance.

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

relative to transportation.

Position Monitor

SB149 Inspection of newly constructed or renovated buildings - timeframe for

inspections.

Sponsors Sen. Pody, Mark

Category Safety

Summary Decreases from 10 business days to 10 calendar days the amount of time the state fire marshal or

another state agency, department, or entity must conduct a requested inspection for new

construction or the renovation of an existing building. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 16, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/27/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 7; Title 13; Title 68 and Title 69,

relative to permitting.

Position Monitor

SB173/HB153 Placards report on transporters of manufactured homes.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Atchley, Fred

Category Transportation General

Summary Requires the department of transportation to submit a brief written summary to the committee of the

house of representatives with jurisdiction over transportation matters and the transportation and safety committee of the senate no later than March 15, 2026, and March 15 of each subsequent year, concerning placards issued to transporters of manufactured homes pursuant to this section, including data on unsafe and erratic driving reported to the department using the telephone number

that appears on the placards. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 16, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/27/25 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.

House Status 01/15/25 - Introduced in the House

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

manufactured homes.

Position Monitor

SB177/HB909 Distribution of revenues from sales and use tax.

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

Category Taxes Sales

Summary Reallocates the increase in the rate of sales and use tax from 6 percent to 7 percent pursuant to

Chapter 856 of the Public Acts of 2002 by apportioning 4.6030 percent of such increase to

municipalities.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 20, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE General Fund FY25-26 &

Subsequent Years (\$93,143,800) LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUE Mandatory FY25-26 &

Subsequent Years \$93,143,800

Senate Status

01/27/25 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee. 03/05/25 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.

House Status 03/05/25 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.

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

revenues.

Position Monitor

SB182/HB289 Report on practice of anesthesiology.

Sponsors Sen. Jackson, Ed; Rep. Lafferty, Justin

Category Health Care

Summary Requires the department of health to submit a report to certain legislative committees concerning

the practice of anesthesiology. Requires the report to include data concerning how many anesthesiologists are practicing in this state, how many persons are currently engaged in anesthesiology residencies in this state, how many persons are graduating from educational programs in anesthesiology in this state, and suggestions on how to increase the number of

anesthesiologists in this state. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 18, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 01/27/25 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status 02/06/25 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 62; Title 63 and Title 68, relative to

professions.

Position Monitor

SB198/HB162 Annual report by division of property assessment.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Gant, Ron

Category Taxes Property

Summary Allows the division of property assessment to send the annual report, with the appropriate summary

of the work accomplished by the division and any appropriate recommendations, to the state board

of equalization in electronic format. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 16, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 01/16/25 - Introduced in the House

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

Position Monitor

SB204/HB565 Tennessee Homebuyer Harassment Prevention Act.

Sponsors Sen. Oliver, Charlane; Rep. Hemmer, Caleb

Category Commercial Law

Summary Enacts the "Tennessee Homebuyer Harassment Prevention Act." 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. Makes other changes related to telephone and text message solicitations.

Amendment Summary Senate Commerce and Labor Committee amendment 1 (004390) 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 request or 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, and provide written notice of the investigation to the property owner. Authorizes a court to assess a civil penalty up to \$2,000 per violation as well as other reasonable costs and expenses. Prohibits a person from knowingly using any caller identification service to transmit misleading or inaccurate caller identification information to circumvent the limitation, and makes doing so an offense of caller identification spoofing. Authorizes a court to issue orders and injunctions to prevent and restrain

violations of this Act.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 30, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT Senate Status 03/07/25 - Set for Senate Floor 03/10/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 33, Part 2; Title 47; Title 65 and

Title 66, relative to consumer protection.

Position Monitor

SB207/HB1325 Farmland and forestland preservation fund.

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

Category Agriculture

Summary Requires the department of agriculture to develop a grant program within the farmland preservation

fund for farmland and forestland owners to enroll their land in a permanent conservation easement held by a qualified easement holder under certain conditions. Provides that governmental entities

are not eligible to participate in a grant program. Part of Administration Package.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 16, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE Farmland Preservation Fund FY25-

26 \$25,000,000 EXPENDITURES General Fund FY25-26 \$25,000,000 OTHER FISCAL IMPACT The timing and amount of expenditures from the Farmland Preservation Fund for agricultural easements cannot reasonably be estimated. The Governor's proposed FY25-26 budget, on page B-354, recognizes a one-time appropriation of \$25,000,000 to fund the Farmland Preservation Fund within the Department of Agriculture.

Senate Status 03/04/25 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar

Committee.

House Status 02/12/25 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 43, Chapter 1, Part 1, relative to the farmland

preservation fund.

Position Monitor

SB216/HB196 Fine for conveyance by general warranty deed with knowledge of existing

liens.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Leatherwood, Tom

Category Criminal Law

Summary Raises from \$3,000 to \$4,000, the maximum fine that a jury may impose for the offense of

conveyance by general warranty deed with knowledge of existing liens. Fine for conveyance by

general warranty deed with knowledge of existing liens.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status 02/03/25 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 39; Title 62 and Title 66, relative to

deed fraud.

Position Support

SB220/HB544 Commercial development board creation.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Taxes Property

Summary Creates the commercial development board. With respect to new commercial property developed by

private entities in certain taxing jurisdictions, authorizes the private entities to enter into agreements for payments in lieu of ad valorem taxes and leases with the commercial development board.

Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee. House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 13; Title

48 and Title 67, relative to property tax incentives to encourage economic and community

development.

Position Monitor

SB226/HB470 Professionals' Freedom of Religion Act.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Rudd, Tim

Category State Government

Summary Enacts the "Tennessee Professionals' Freedom of Religion Act." Specifies that it is unlawful for a

governmental entity to deny, revoke, suspend, or take other adverse action against an individual's license for the following: (1) Refusing to affirm a statement or oath that is contrary to the individual's sincerely held religious beliefs or moral convictions; (2) Expressing sincerely held religious beliefs or moral convictions in any context, including a professional context, as long as the services provided otherwise meet the standard of care or practice for that profession; or (3) Providing faith-based services that otherwise meet the standard of care or practice for that profession. Makes it unlawful for a governmental entity to take any adverse action against a licensee or applicant for licensure based on such person's beliefs or the lawful expression of those beliefs, to the extent protected

under the United States Constitution or the Constitution of Tennessee.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Business & Utilities Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, relative to the Professionals' Freedom of

Religion Act.

Position Oppose

SB227/HB811 Charitable organizations providing housing to persons unlawfully present in

the US.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Grills, Rusty

Category Tort Liability

Summary Allows a charitable organization that provides housing to a person who the charitable organization

knows is unlawfully present in the United States to be held liable for a loss, damages, injury, or death resulting from a criminal offense committed by the person who is unlawfully present in the United States while the person is receiving housing services from the charitable organization if the charitable organization's conduct in providing housing constitutes negligence, gross negligence, or

willful and wanton misconduct.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 23, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee. House Status 02/10/25 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 34, relative to charitable

organizations.

Position Monitor

SB229/HB653 Makes various changes to campaign finance requirements.

Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Hicks, Tim Sponsors

Campaigns & Lobbying Category

Requires all political campaign committees registered with the registry of election finance to pay an Summary

annual registration fee of \$150 to the registry of election finance upon registration and by no later than January 31 of each successive year to partially offset the costs incurred by the registry of election finance in regulating political campaign committees. Clarifies that candidates for elective office are not required to pay a registration fee in order to encourage persons to run for elective office. Requires annual ethics training provided by the Tennessee Ethics Commission to be given to all department commissioners in the executive branch and all of the governor's cabinet level staff. Makes Tennessee Ethics Commission proceedings regarding a sworn complaint, including records relating to a preliminary investigation, public records and open to public inspection, with some exceptions. Distributes 80% of the privilege tax collected from lobbyists to the bureau of ethics and campaign finance. Makes other changes to the operation of the bureau of ethics and campaign

finance and makes changes to campaign finance requirements. Broadly captioned.

(Dated February 15, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT Bureau of Ethics and REVENUE General Fund Fiscal Note

Campaign Finance FY25-26 (\$209,300) \$261,800 FY26-27 & Subsequent Years (\$209,300)

\$314,300

Senate Status 02/18/25 - Senate State & Local Government recommended. Sent to Senate Finance. Ways &

Means.

House Status 03/05/25 - House State & Local Government Committee deferred to 03/19/2025.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2; Title 3 and Title 67, relative to the bureau of

ethics and campaign finance.

Monitor Position

SB230/HB223 Consumer reports - record of medical debt judgment.

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

Category Commercial Law

Summary Prohibits a consumer reporting agency from including on a consumer report a record of a medical

debt judgment that is filed in this state. Specifies that a violation constitutes an unfair or deceptive act or practice affecting trade or commerce and is subject to the penalties and remedies as provided

in the Tennessee Consumer Protection Act of 1977. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 23, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 8; Title 16; Title 18; Title 20; Title

21; Title 27; Title 28; Title 29; Title 45 and Title 47, relative to credit data.

Position Monitor

SB236/HB305 Detection of criminal patterns at rental homes and apartment complexes.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Gillespie, John

Criminal Law Category

Summary Requires a law enforcement agency to release calls for emergency assistance services at rental

> homes and apartment complexes to qualified nonprofit organizations for the purpose of distributing the calls to rental property managers and owners to detect and act on escalating crime patterns. Defines "qualified nonprofit organization" to mean a legally constituted, non-governmental entity incorporated under state law as a charitable or nonprofit organization that is tax-exempt according

to 26 U.S.C. § 501(c)(3). Broadly captioned.

02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee. Senate Status

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Criminal Justice Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 38, relative to detection of criminal patterns.

Position Monitor

SB242/HB298 Homes not Hedge Funds Act.

Sponsors Sen. Oliver, Charlane; Rep. Behn, Aftyn

Property & Housing Category

Enacts the "Homes not Hedge Funds Act." Prohibits certain business entities from purchasing more Summary

than 100 single-family homes in certain counties in this state for purposes of renting the purchased properties. Establishes a state and private cause of action and establishes damages for violations, including equitable relief; compensatory damages; costs and fees, including reasonable attorneys' fees; and punitive damages in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 or three times the total of compensatory damages, costs, and fees, whichever is greater. Provides enforcement mechanism for damage recovery. Specifies that this act takes effect upon becoming law and applies to contracts for single-family homes entered into on or after that date.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 7, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/03/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13; Title 47 and Title 66, relative to housing

market manipulation.

Position Oppose

SB244/HB396 Requirements for buildings constructed under a voluntary attainable housing

incentive program.

Sponsors Sen. Gardenhire, Todd; Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires multi-family facilities, buildings, and structures constructed under a voluntary attainable

housing incentive program to be deed-restricted to ensure that the attainable housing continues for

at least 30 years, instead of in perpetuity. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 3, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/24/25 - Senate passed.

House Status 02/19/25 - Failed in House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 3, relative to housing.

Position Monitor

SB247/HB297 Property that qualifies as Greenbelt property.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Taxes Property

Summary Clarifies that property that is qualified as Greenbelt property, owned by two individuals, and held

under the title, tenancy by the entireties, or the title, joint tenancy, is deemed to have unchanged ownership upon the death or divorce of an owner if the property is retained by the other owner through a right of survivorship so that the property continues to be qualified as Greenbelt property

without requiring reapplication.

Amendment Senate State & Local Government Committee amendment 1, House amendment 1 (002893) Summary clarifies that Greenbelt property, owned by two individuals, and held under the title, tenancy by

clarifies that Greenbelt property, owned by two individuals, and held under the title, tenancy by entireties, or the title, joint tenancy, is deemed to have unchanged ownership upon the death or divorce of an owner if the property is retained by the other owner through a right of survivorship and

the property continues to meet criteria necessary to qualify as Greenbelt property.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 6, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT Senate Status 03/07/25 - Set for Senate Floor 03/10/25.

House Status 02/24/25 - House passed with amendment 1 (002893).

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 14, Part 2; Title 11, Chapter 15

and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to the Agricultural, Forest and Open Space Land Act of 1976.

Position Monitor

SB281/HB882 Prohibits regulation of certain farming activities by TDEC.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Travis, Ron

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Prohibits the department of environment and conservation from overseeing farming activities

involving topsoil, rock removal, or the building of a pond when such activities are conducted in an area that is less than three acres in size, and the property on which the activities occur has a

greenbelt classification. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 03/06/25 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/12/25.

House Status 02/06/25 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 11; Title 13; Title

43; Title 44; Title 64; Title 66; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 69, relative to agriculture.

Position Monitor

SB283/HB881 Renewal fees paid by installers of subsurface sewage disposal systems.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Travis, Ron

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Prohibits the department of environment and conservation from requiring an installer of subsurface

sewage disposal systems who is in good standing with the department to pay a renewal fee as a

condition to renewing the installer's septic system installer license.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE Environmental Protection Fund

FY25-26 & Subsequent Years (\$560,500)

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/10/25 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 221, relative to subsurface

sewage disposal systems.

Position Monitor

SB292/HB216 Removal of unlawful occupant of a person's commercial real property.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Rudd, Tim

Category Property & Housing

Summary Creates a legal process through which a person may request the immediate removal of an unlawful

occupant of the person's commercial real property by filing a complaint with the sheriff for the county

in which the property is located. Provides drafting language for such complaints and defines

relevant terms. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 03/07/25 - Set for House Consent 03/10/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29 and Title 66, relative to real property.

Position Support

SB306/HB459 Administrative dissolution - entities filing documents with the secretary of

state.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Martin, Greg

Category Commercial Law

Summary Allows the secretary of state to administratively dissolve a cooperative, corporation, LLC, or limited

partnership if it files a document containing materially false information knowingly signed by an organizer, director, officer, member, agent, or representative. Allows administrative dissolution or revocation of a foreign corporation's certificate of authority or a foreign limited partnership's registration if the entity is owned or controlled by a foreign government or foreign nongovernment

person designated as a foreign adversary by specified entities.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/03/25 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Commerce Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 43, Chapter 38; Title 48, Chapter 24; Title 48,

Chapter 245; Title 48, Chapter 246; Title 48, Chapter 249; Title 48, Chapter 25; Title 48, Chapter 64; Title 48, Chapter 65 and Title 61, Chapter 3, relative to entities filing documents with the secretary of

state.

Position Monitor

SB327/HB319 Revises definition of residential property for purposes of classification and

assessment.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Rudd, Tim

Category Taxes Property

Summary Revises the definition of "residential property" to include property that can be sold and purchased as

a single unit fee simple title, whether it is vacant, owner-occupied, rented, detached, or attached.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/03/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

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

classification and assessment.

Position Support

SB339/HB512 Extends the terms of members of historic zoning commissions.

Sponsors Sen. Lowe, Adam; Rep. Wright, Dave

Category Property & Housing

Summary Changes the length of terms for the members of the historic zoning commission from five years to

six years. Clarifies that those already elected will serve their original terms and not be extended,

and the chief executive shall appoint members to six-year terms as vacancies arise.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 7, Part 4, relative to historic

zoning.

Position Monitor

SB340/HB1279 Property that is not subject to authority of historic zoning commission.

Sponsors Sen. Lowe, Adam; Rep. Hill, Timothy

Category Property & Housing

Summary Specifies that a privately owned property built after 1899 that is located in a tourism development

zone is not subject to the authority of a historic zoning commission or a historic zoning law, rule, review guideline, or regulation, with respect to certain aspects of a project, including lighting,

televisions, signs, and speakers.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 7, Part 4, relative to historic

commissions.

Position Monitor

SB350/HB469 Tenant allowed to possess or store firearm in home or apartment.

Sponsors Sen. Harshbarger, Bobby; Rep. Reeves, Lee

Category Property & Housing

Summary Prohibits a landlord from prohibiting a tenant from lawfully possessing, carrying, transporting, or

storing a firearm, firearm components, or ammunition in the tenant's home, apartment, or business or in a vehicle located on leased premises. Creates a cause of action for a tenant who is adversely

affected by a landlord's violation of such prohibition. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee.
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to leases.

Position Amend

SB365/HB317 Makes changes to the powers and duties of county and municipal boards of

zoning appeals.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Rudd, Tim

Category Property & Housing

Summary makes certain changes to the powers and duties of county and municipal boards of zoning appeals,

including adding training and continuing education requirements regarding property rights and constitutional law. Requires building commissioners and other administrative officials who grant or deny building permits to inform, in writing, the person receiving the grant or denial of the person's

right to appeal to the board of zoning appeals.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House State & Local Government Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 7, relative to zoning.

Position Monitor

SB368/HB48 Property tax relief for disabled veterans.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Hale, Michael

Category Taxes Property

Summary Removes the market value cap used for calculating property tax relief on the primary residence for

disabled veterans who are eligible for property tax relief and requires the state to fully reimburse

such veterans for local property taxes paid for a given tax year on that property.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government. House Status 01/28/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

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

relief for disabled veterans.

Position Support

SB373/HB352 Plans for acquisition of rights-of-way.by state.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul; Rep. Hurt, Chris

Category Transportation General

Summary Clarifies that the plans for an acquisition of a right-of-way by the state must be filed and recorded

with the office of the register in each county where the project is located if the project is located in

multiple counties. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 31, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee. House Status 02/03/25 - Referred to House Transportation Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 54 and Title 55, relative to acquisition

of rights-of-way.

Position Monitor

SB384/HB405 Remittance of hotel tax - transient occupancy.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Leatherwood, Tom

Category Taxes Business

Summary Requires a hotel operator to remit the hotel tax to the municipality rather than issuing a credit or

refund to a person who has maintained occupancy for 30 continuous days. Requires the hotel operator to cease collecting the tax from the person for the remainder of their stay in the operator's

hotel

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 14, relative to taxation.

Position Monitor

SB394/HB569 Selection of settlement agent in real property transaction.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul; Rep. Farmer, Andrew

Category Insurance General

Summary Authorizes a purchaser or borrower in a real property transaction to select the settlement agent to

perform certain duties, including to provide escrow or closing services and to act as the issuing title insurance agency. Authorizes the seller to retain a licensed attorney in this state to represent the seller's interests in such transaction. Prohibits the designated settlement agent from collecting transaction-related fees from a represented seller without consent of the seller's attorney. Broadly

captioned.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 02/26/25 - House sponsor changed from J. Barrett to A. Farmer.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 35 and Title 66, relative to real

property transactions.

Position Oppose

SB413 Notification process for local zoning violation by a business.

Sponsors Sen. Hatcher, Tom Local Government

Summary Specifies a process by which a local zoning authority may notify a state department, agency, or

officer of a local zoning violation by a business resulting in the revocation or suspension of a license, permit, or certificate of a business in violation of a local zoning ordinance, resolution, or law. Specifies the process for reinstatement or appeal, including the assessment of a reinstatement fee.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

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

Title 62 and Title 68, relative to zoning violations.

Position Monitor

SB431/HB366 Property damaged by disaster - correction of assessment.

Sponsors Sen. Reeves, Shane; Rep. Hale, Michael

Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires the assessor of a building or improvement that was moved, demolished, destroyed, or

substantially damaged by a natural disaster between September 1 and December 31 of any year that was not repaired by January 1 of the next year to adjust its assessed value based on its condition after the damage occurred. Requires the assessor to prorate the assessment of the improvement for the portion of the year before it was moved, demolished, destroyed, or substantially

damaged and apply the prorated assessment to the following tax year.

Senate Status
O2/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
O2/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 6, relative to property

damaged by disaster.

Position Monitor

SB469/HB586 Recordation tax revenue - increase.

Sponsors Sen. Bowling, Janice; Rep. Bricken, Rush

Category Taxes Business

Summary Increases the amount of realty transfer tax and mortgage tax collections retained as commission by

county registers for collecting and reporting those taxes to 5% from 2.4%. Requires 50% of such collections to be deposited in the county general fund. Requires the remainder of the taxes to be collected and allocated to the wetland acquisition fund, local parks land acquisition fund, state lands

acquisition fund, agricultural resources conservation fund, and state general fund.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to recordation tax

revenue.

Position Oppose

SB473/HB52 Veterans Assistance for Livelihood, Opportunity, and Relief (VALOR) Act.

Sponsors Sen. Bowling, Janice; Rep. Bulso, Gino

Category Taxes Property

Summary Enacts the "Veterans Assistance for Livelihood, Opportunity, and Relief (VALOR) Act," which

exempts disabled veterans who have 100 percent permanent and total disability from a service-connected cause from the payment of certain taxes and fees, including property taxes and the fees

for a permanent sport combination hunting and fishing license.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Department & Agencies 2 03/11/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 5-8-102; Title 55, Chapter 4; Title 67 and

Title 70, Chapter 2, relative to disabled veterans.

Position Support

SB480/HB444 Tennessee Property Rights Protection Act.

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

Category Property & Housing

Summary Deletes the definition of "blighted area" and defines "blighted property" for purposes of

condemnation by housing authorities. Clarifies that housing authorities may acquire real property through a negotiated sale without using eminent domain. Authorizes housing authorities to pay more than fair market value for properties that are not blighted but that are in a blighted area. Allows a housing authority to contract with a third-party agent, at the housing authority's expense, for the purpose of negotiating the purchase price of real property within an urban renewal or redevelopment

area if the property is not subject to acquisition by eminent domain.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 16, 2025) OTHER FISCAL IMPACT Due to various unknown variables, any fiscal

impact to local government cannot be estimated with reasonable certainty.

Senate Status 03/06/25 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Committee 03/11/25.

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

29, Chapter 17, relative to housing authorities.

Position Monitor

SB488 Inspecting of residential dwelling units that are deteriorated by

municipalities.

Sponsors Sen. Bowling, Janice Category Property & Housing

Summary Authorizes all municipalities to adopt ordinances to inspect residential dwelling units that are

deteriorated. Removes the option of vacating and closing the structure for a property owner after a municipality determines the structure located on the property is unfit for human occupation or use.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 21, relative to buildings.

Position Monitor

SB519/HB219 Reporting requirements for foreign persons who purchase land in this state.

Sponsors Sen. Roberts, Kerry; Rep. Reedy, Jay

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires foreign persons who purchase land in this state and who file a report of such purchase to

the United States Department of Agriculture under the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act to also file the report with the state commissioner of agriculture. Requires the commissioner to notify the attorney general of a foreign person's failure to file a copy of the required report. Requires the attorney general to impose a civil penalty not to exceed 25% of the fair market value, on the date of the assessment of the penalty, of the interest in the agricultural land for such failure to file

the report with the commissioner of agriculture.

Amendment Summary

Cities & Counties Subcommittee amendment 1 (003805) requires foreign persons, businesses, and governments who report agricultural land investments to the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA)

under the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (Act) to also file a copy with the Commissioner of the Department of Agriculture (DOA). Directs the Commissioner to notify the Attorney General (AG) of noncompliance. Authorizes the AG to seek and collect a civil penalty of up to 25 percent of the fair market value of land owned by a foreign entity for failure to file. The

provisions of the proposed legislation expire upon the repeal of the Act.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 16, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House State & Local Government Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 2, Part 3, relative to property.

Position Monitor

SB526/HB889 Process for requesting an extension of time to file a business tax return.

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

Category Taxes Business

Summary Adds to the process for requesting an extension of time to file a business tax return that the request

may be signed by the person's authorized representative.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status 02/06/25 - Held on House clerk's desk.

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

Position Monitor

SB539/HB753 Process for property tax assessment and valuation of low-income housing.

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

Category Taxes Property

Summary Establishes the process for property tax assessment and valuation of multi-unit rental housing that

receives a federal, state, or local incentive based on low-income renter restrictions. Broadly

captioned.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 02/06/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

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.

Position Support

SB541/HB906 Claims of creditors filed against an estate.

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

Category Estates & Trusts

Summary Requires the personal representative to notify beneficiaries or intestate heirs of their right to file

exceptions to claims of creditors filed against an estate. Makes various other changes regarding

wills and claims of creditors against an estate.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 4, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 02/25/25 - Taken off notice in House Children & Family Affairs Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 30 and Title 32, relative to probate matters.

Position Monitor

SB544/HB1342 UCC financing statement filings.

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Commercial Law

Summary Specifies that a filing office in receipt of a petition for review filed by a secured party contesting a

public official's affidavit that a financing statement was filed without legal cause submit the UCC financing statement that is the subject of the petition and the notarized affidavit of the public official to the administrative procedures division of the office of the secretary of state, in addition to the existing requirement that the petition itself be submitted. Requires the prevailing party in the contested case hearing to provide the filing office with a copy of the administrative law judge's

determination.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 18, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT Senate Status 03/07/25 - Set for Senate Consent 2 03/10/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Judiciary Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, relative to Uniform Commercial Code

financing statement filings.

Position Monitor

SB559/HB1154 Self-service storage facilities - rental agreement visions.

Sponsors Sen. Reeves, Shane; Rep. Lynn, Susan

Category Property & Housing

Summary Specifies that if the occupant of a self-service storage facility does not sign a written rental

agreement revision and continues to use the facility for not less than 30 days from the date of receipt of the agreement, then the occupant is considered to have accepted the rental agreement

revision. Makes other changes related to self-service storage facilities.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 11, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/03/25 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/07/25 - Set for House Consent 03/10/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 31, relative to self-service storage

facilities.

Position Monitor

SB566/HB1138 Blasting surveys provided to owner or occupant.

Sponsors Sen. Pody, Mark; Rep. Boyd, Clark

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Requires a blasting firm that conducts a pre-blast survey for an owner or occupant of certain

buildings within 300 feet of the blast hole to provide the survey upon request by the owner or

occupant at no cost.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/26/25 - House Commerce Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules. Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 105, relative to blasting.

Position Monitor

SB592/HB648 Single registration form for a multi-dwelling property.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Jones, Renea

Category Property & Housing

Summary Authorizes a landlord to submit a single registration form for a multi-dwelling property with the

agency or department of local government that is responsible for enforcing building codes in the jurisdiction if the property contains five or more dwelling units. Authorizes local governments to

require residential landlords to register with the local government.

Senate Status 03/04/25 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to 03/18/25. House Status 02/10/25 - Referred to House Business & Utilities Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 66-28-107, relative to landlord registration.

Position Oppose

SB605/HB976 Contract with owner's spouse - notice to prime contractor.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Burkhart, Jeff

Category Property & Housing

Summary Extends from 10 to 20 days, the time within which a non-contracting spouse must serve the prime

contractor with written notice of that spouse's objection to a contract for improving real property after learning of the contract when the contract is made with a husband or a wife who is not separated and living apart from that person's spouse, and the property is owned by the other spouse or by both spouses, in order to avoid the other spouse being deemed the agent of the objecting spouse.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 11, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/25 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, Chapter 11, relative to liens.

Position Monitor

SB646/HB1278 Establishes the Hurricane Helene disaster recovery fund.

Sponsors Sen. Crowe, Rusty; Rep. Hill, Timothy

Category Public Finance

Summary Establishes the Hurricane Helene disaster recovery fund, from which the Tennessee emergency

management agency shall provide county recovery grants and direct assistance recovery grants for

certain counties and households impacted by flooding caused by Hurricane Helene.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/12/25 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9 and Title 58,

relative to providing financial assistance in counties impacted by Hurricane Helene.

Position Monitor

SB648/HB1285 Power of eminent domain in an expedited manner prohibited during

emergency.

Sponsors Sen. Crowe, Rusty; Rep. Hill, Timothy

Category Veterans & Military Affairs

Summary Prohibits the use of the power of eminent domain over real property in an expedited manner during

a declared emergency.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status 02/12/25 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 16; Title 29, Chapter 17; Title 54

and Title 58, Chapter 2, relative to the use of eminent domain during declared emergencies.

Position Support

SB651/HB436 Property tax relief for eligible disabled veterans.

Sponsors Sen. Crowe, Rusty; Rep. Crawford, John

Category Taxes Property

Summary Revises the formula for calculating tax relief on real property owned by eligible disabled veterans so

that in determining the amount of relief to such a taxpayer, the assessed value on the first \$175,000 of full market value is to be multiplied by the ad valorem tax rate of the jurisdiction instead of by a rate that has been adjusted to reflect the relationship between appraised value and market value in

that jurisdiction.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

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

relief.

Position Support

SB663/HB630 Processing of consumer's personal data.

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

Category Commercial Law

Summary Authorizes a consumer to designate an authorized agent who may opt the consumer out of the

processing of the consumer's personal data. Requires a controller to comply with an opt-out request

from an authorized agent if certain conditions are met.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18, relative to consumer data.

SB664/HB612 Disqualifying an applicant for an aquatic resource alteration permit (ARAP).

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Expands from wetlands to all areas that an aquatic resource alteration permit may apply to the

areas for which the department of environment and conservation is required to exempt from compensatory mitigation an amount of area equal in size to the area for which mitigation would not be required if the permit applicant qualified for coverage under a general permit, if the only factor that disqualifies an applicant for an aquatic resource alteration permit from having the activities for which a permit is sought covered under a general permit is the size of the area that the permit will

apply to.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 69, Chapter 3, relative to permits.

Position Support

SB670/HB541 Classification of property as a wetland.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Environment & Nature

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.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/05/25 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk pending amendment.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 11, Chapter 14, Part 4; Title 66; Title

67, Chapter 4, Part 4 and Title 69, relative to wetlands.

Position Support

SB681/HB1009 Property tax relief for veterans with disabilities.

Sponsors Sen. White, Dawn; Rep. Moody, Debra

Category Taxes Property

Summary Increases the amount of the reimbursement that is paid under the provisions for property tax relief

for disabled veteran homeowners from the first \$175,000 of the full market value of the home to the

first \$250,000 of the full market value.

Senate Status 02/25/25 - Senate State & Local Government recommended. Sent to Senate Finance, Ways &

Means.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-704, relative to property tax relief for

veterans with disabilities.

Position Support

SB696/HB161 Investment in foreign investment assets and real property by domestic

insurance companies.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. McCalmon, Jake

Category Insurance General

Summary Revises the criteria by which certain domestic insurance companies may invest or acquire an

interest in foreign investment assets, real property, and certain money market funds. Outlines criteria for money market funds that qualify as a government money market fund, including the requirement that the fund invests only in obligations issued, guaranteed, or insured by the federal government of the United States or collateralized repurchase agreements composed of these obligations; and qualifies for investment without a reserve under the Purposes and Procedures Manual of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) Investment Analysis

Office. Increases the aggregate amount of investments under certain circumstances.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 5, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/03/25 - Senate passed.

House Status 03/07/25 - Set for House Consent 03/10/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 3, Part 4, relative to investments

by insurance companies.

SB700/HB681 Healthy Soil Act.

Sponsors Sen. Kyle, Sara; Rep. Jones, Justin

Category Agriculture

Summary Enacts the "Healthy Soil Act," which promotes and supports farming and ranching systems and

other forms of land management that increase soil organic matter, carbon content, aggregate stability, microbiology, and water retention to improve the health, yield, and profitability of the soils of this state. Details specifics of the program including makeup of the program to including an advisory

group, education, and grants. Details specific funding areas of the act.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/26/25 - Failed in House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 43, Chapter 14, relative to soil.

SB703/HB736 TACIR study on sustainable funding sources that meet the state's

transportation infrastructure needs.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Vital, Greg

Category Transportation General

Summary Requires TACIR to study sustainable funding sources that meet this state's future transportation

infrastructure needs and submit its recommendations to the chair of the committee in the house of representatives with jurisdiction over transportation matters, the chair of the transportation and safety committee of the senate, and the legislative librarian on or before January 15, 2026. Broadly

captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 8, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Transportation & Safety Committee 03/12/25. House Status 03/07/25 - Set for House Transportation Subcommittee 03/11/25.

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

transportation infrastructure funding.

SB721/HB718 Decision by fire marshal on an appeal regarding building or fire codes.

Sponsors Sen. Hatcher, Tom: Rep. Moon, Jerome

Category Safety

Summary Extends the period in which the fire marshal is required to provide a decision on an appeal

regarding building or fire codes involving a county building located in a city when there is a conflict

between city and county from 10 working days to 15 calendar days. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 7, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government.

House Status 02/06/25 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 102 and Title 68, Chapter 120,

relative to building regulations.

SB725/HB895 Class II scenic rivers two-mile buffer - removal.

Sponsors Sen. Lowe, Adam; Rep. Todd, Chris

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Removes the two-mile buffer between class II scenic rivers and new and expanded landfill sites for

the disposal of solid or hazardous wastes. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/10/25 - Referred to House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, Chapter 13 and Title 68, relative to scenic

rivers

SB727/HB1127 Time prior to the date of sale of foreclosure notices - increase.

Sponsors Sen. Lowe, Adam; Rep. Farmer, Andrew

Category Estates & Trusts

Summary Increases, from 10 business days to 12 business days, the time prior to the date of sale of land to

foreclose a deed of trust, mortgage, or other lien securing the payment of money or other thing of value that a substitute trustee has to send notice to the debtor, a co-debtor, and any other interested party, with the substitute trustees name and address, if the name of the substitute trustee was not

included in the first publication advertising the sale. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 02/12/25 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

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

SB731/HB795 Changes on a contractor or developer's application for development site

plans or inspections.

Sponsors Sen. Pody, Mark; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Local Government

Summary Requires a local government to send back any requested changes on a contractor or developer's

application for development site plans or inspections in a single deliverable document or set of documents, or to remit related fees back to the developer for subsequent change requests. Prohibits a local government from requiring a developer or contractor to fund, develop, or contribute to the

development of nonessential infrastructure, unless otherwise agreed upon by the parties.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/06/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 12; Title 13 and

Title 66, relative to development contracts.

SB749/HB908 Removes weighted average yield of the accepted offers for home loans.

Sponsors Sen. Yager, Ken; Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Category Banking & Credit

Summary Removes the weighted average yield of the accepted offers of the Federal National Mortgage

Association's current free market system auction and the 30-year treasury yield as the two bases upon which the maximum effective rate of interest on home loans may be set by the commissioner of financial institutions and replaces them with the average prime offer rate. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 13, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 03/03/25 - House passed.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 45 and Title 47, relative to interest on home

loans.

SB752/HB526 Due date for taxpaver's business tax return.

Sponsors Sen. Yager, Ken; Rep. Williams, Ryan

Category Taxes Business

Summary Allows the commissioner of revenue to change the due date of the taxpayer's business tax return to

not less than 60 days following the end of such taxpayer's business tax period for the purpose of the commissioner changing the taxpayer's business tax period to align with the taxpayer's fiscal year. House Finance Subcommittee amendment 1 (003861) exempts services furnished by persons

Amendment House Finance Subcommittee amendment 1 (003861) exempts services furr Summary engaged in the sale of real estate or real property from the business tax.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 1, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Finance Revenue Subcommittee 03/11/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget after adopting amendment 1

(003861).

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 7, relative to the Business

Tax Act.

SB762/HB51 Counties required to levy a tax on sales price of lottery tickets.

Sponsors Sen. Yager, Ken; Rep. Keisling, Kelly

Category Lottery

Summary Requires each county to levy a tax at the rate of five percent of the sales price of lottery tickets or

shares when sold at retail within the jurisdiction of the county. Requires the department of revenue

to collect and administer the tax. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 01/28/25 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 9; Title 49 and

Title 67, relative to lottery tickets.

SB767/HB1146 Broadband ready community's ordinance or policy for reviewing

applications.

Sponsors Sen. Bailey, Paul; Rep. Boyd, Clark

Category State Government

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 8, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 7; Title 13; Title 65 and Title 67,

relative to broadband.

SB771/HB733 Property tax appeals - valuation of industrial and commercial real and

tangible personal property.

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

Category Taxes Property

Summary Removes the condition that a taxpayer or owner must obtain consent of the assessor of property

before appealing the valuation of industrial and commercial real and tangible personal property

directly to the state board of equalization. Makes other related changes.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status 02/06/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

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

SB773/HB735 Vesting period for property development standards.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Wright, Dave

Category Property & Housing

Summary Specifies that the vesting period established for a construction project or development plan does not

expire because of pending litigation challenging a permit. Specifies that the vesting period is tolled

while such litigation is pending.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 3; Title 13, Chapter 4 and Title 13,

Chapter 7, relative to the vesting period for property development standards.

SB774/HB766 Tax relief elderly low-income, disabled, or disabled veteran homeowners.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Wright, Dave

Category Taxes Property

Summary Adds a five percent penalty on delinquent property taxes with the penalty to be used to provide tax

relief for the homeowners who are elderly low-income, disabled, or a disabled veteran or widow of a

disabled veteran.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

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

Position Support

SB785/HB652 Zoning - means of ingress and egress into proposed subdivisions.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Hicks, Tim

Category Local Government

Summary Prohibits local governments or planning commissions from requiring more than one means of

ingress and egress into a proposed subdivision unless the proposed subdivision has at least 70

residential dwellings. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 15, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/26/25 - Taken off notice in House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4: Title 5: Title 6: Title 7 and Title 13, relative

to planning regulations.

SB787/HB719 Final acceptance inspection for private residence elevators.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Moon, Jerome

Category Professions & Licensure

Summary Requires the chief elevator inspector to perform an acceptance inspection once a private residence

elevator has been installed. Requires the homeowner to register the private residence elevator with the department. Requires the chief elevator inspector to develop and maintain a database for

private residence elevators.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Banking & Consumer Affairs Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 121, relative to private elevators.

SB806/HB452 Trial for an unlawful detainer action.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Glynn, Ronnie

Category Judiciary

Summary Requires that the trial for an unlawful detainer action be held no later than 14 days from the date the

plaintiff filed the unlawful detainer motion. Limits the scope of a hearing for an unlawful detainer motion based on nonpayment of rent to facts and issues related to nonpayment of rent. Makes other

changes related to judicial proceedings for unlawful detainer.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status 03/07/25 - Set for House Civil Justice Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29 and Title 66, relative to eviction actions.

SB825/HB1072 Classification of property as a wetland.

Sponsors Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Warner, Todd

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Prohibits the department of environment and conservation from applying criteria that will result in the

classification of real property as a wetland if the property is prior converted cropland that is exempt

from classification as a wetland under federal law.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/11/25 - 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.

SB826/HB1368 Exemption - services furnished by persons engaged in appraisal of real

estate or real property.

Sponsors Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Barrett, Jody

Category Taxes Business

Summary Exempts services furnished by persons engaged in the appraisal of real estate or real property from

business tax.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 15, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE General Fund FY25-26 &

Subsequent Years (\$73,500) LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUE Mandatory FY25-26 &

Subsequent Years (\$86,300)

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/26/25 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 7, relative to business tax.

SB840/HB966 Creates K-12 lottery capital outlay special account and the early learning

program account.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Hawk, David

Category Education

Summary Creates two special accounts in the state treasury, the K-12 lottery capital outlay special account

and the early learning program account, for excess lottery funds. Requires the comptroller of the treasury to develop and administer a program to provide grants from such accounts to local education agencies to be used for capital outlay projects for K-12 educational facilities and for new

or existing pre-K programs. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Education Committee. House Status 02/11/25 - Referred to House K-12 Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 51; Title 8, Chapter 4; Title 9 and

Title 49, relative to the use of excess lottery funds pursuant to Article XI. Section 5 of the

Constitution of Tennessee.

SB843/HB842 Revenues collected from recordation taxes.

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

Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires half the revenue collected from recordation taxes be returned to the county in which the

real property is located on a recurring basis. Applies to transfers of real property on or after July 1,

2025.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 03/11/25. House Status 03/05/25 - Taken off notice in House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to taxes on transfers of

realty.

Position Monitor

SB847/HB1018 Deed of conveyance of real property to include zoning classification of

property at time the deed is recorded.

Sponsors Sen. Hatcher, Tom; Rep. Russell, Lowell

Category State Government

Summary Requires, on and after July 1, 2025, a deed of conveyance of real property to include the zoning

classification of the property at the time the deed is recorded. Prescribes a process by which a local zoning authority may notify a state department, agency, or officer of a local zoning violation by a business resulting in the revocation or suspension of a license, permit, or certificate of a business in

violation of a local zoning ordinance, resolution, or law. Prescribes the process for reinstatement or

appeal, including the assessment of a reinstatement fee. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 15, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House State & Local Government Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8, Chapter 13;

Title 13, Chapter 7; Title 62; Title 66 and Title 68, relative to zoning.

SB857/HB930 Homebuyers revolving loan program.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Towns Jr., Joe

Category Property & Housing

Summary Authorizes any county having made loans in excess of the amount of funds in the initial

capitalization of the loan fund pool for the county to terminate its participations with notice to the Tennessee housing development agency (THDA). Allows the county to retain all funds used for

initial capitalization or interesting earnings on repayments.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/06/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 23, relative to the homebuyers

revolving loan program.

SB866/HB734 Dispute resolution process for matters involving real property.

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Hicks, Gary

Category Judiciary

Summary Requires any third-party complaint related to the design, planning, supervision, or construction of an

improvement of real property not be subject to the four-year statute of repose.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/05/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 28, relative to the dispute resolution process

for matters involving real property.

SB883/HB1137 Inspection of subsurface sewage disposal system by TDEC.

Sponsors Sen. Reeves, Shane; Rep. Boyd, Clark

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Increases, from four to five business days, the time after receipt of notice that a subsurface sewage

disposal system requires repair that TDEC has to inspect the system before the person who notified the department may proceed with the repairs as though the department made its inspection and

approved the repair.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 6, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 68, Chapter 221 and Title 69, Chapter

3, relative to subsurface sewage disposal systems.

SB886/HB700 Real estate broker licenses - exemption from completion of classroom hours

in real estate courses

Sponsors Sen. Reeves, Shane; Rep. Burkhart, Jeff

Category Professions & Licensure

Summary Exempts a real estate broker licensee who was originally licensed prior to January 1, 2005, and

does not supervise any affiliate brokers from the requirement to furnish certification of satisfactory completion of 16 classroom hours in real estate courses for reissuance of a license for a licensure period after the period in which the licensee completed the required 120 classroom hours in real

estate. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Senate Commerce and Labor Committee amendment 1, House Business & Utilities Subcommittee

Summary amendment 1 (003873) specifies an effective date of January 1, 2026.

Senate Status 03/04/25 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee recommended with amendment 1 (003873). Sent

to Senate Calendar Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Commerce Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 13, relative to real estate broker

licenses.

Position Support

SB891/HB891 Report on lands and waters set apart and dedicated by the governor for

wildlife preserves.

Sponsors Sen. Reeves, Shane; Rep. Todd, Chris

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Requires, by January 15 of each year, the office of the governor to submit a report to legislative

committees with subject matter jurisdiction over natural resources detailing all such lands and waters set apart and dedicated by the governor for wildlife preserves, including the limits fixed of the

lands and waters for such state wildlife preserves. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/06/25 - Held on House clerk's desk.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 10; Title 11; Title 12; Title 43; Caption

Title 44; Title 55; Title 64; Title 67; Title 69 and Title 70, relative to wildlife.

SB894 Professional license expiration.

Sen. Stevens, John Sponsors Category Professions & Licensure

Summary Extends from two to four years the period of time that a certificate of license for contracting is valid

before expiring and requiring renewal. Broadly captioned.

02/05/25 - Withdrawn in Senate. Senate Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 6, relative to professional

licensina.

SB896/HB986 Abolishes various estates and reversion interests in land.

Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Capley, Kip **Sponsors**

Property & Housing Category

Summary Abolishes reverter or forfeiture provisions of unlimited duration in documents that establish common

law estate of fee simple determinable, fee simple subject to condition subsequent, and fee simple subject to executory limitation, if executed more than 75 years before July 1, 2025. Establishes that reverter and forfeiture provisions in a conveyance of real property creating a common law estate of fee simple determinable, fee simple subject to condition subsequent, or fee simple subject to executory limitation, automatically terminate 75 years from the date of conveyance. Converts vested rights in deeds as of July 1, 2025, to fee simple absolute after 75 years from the date of creation unless a sworn statement is filed with the county register of deeds by July 1, 2026, to maintain the right. Invalidates a reverter or forfeiture provision contained in documents conveying an interest in real property and purporting to establish the common law estates of fee simple determinable, fee simple subject to condition subsequent, and fee simple subject to executory limitation, executed on or after July 1, 2025. Establishing reversionary estates terminated or prohibited results in title in the

grantee or recipient being fee simple absolute.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/11/25 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

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

SB909/HB781 Wholesaling real property.

Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Martin, Greg **Sponsors**

Category Property & Housing

Summary Allows a buyer under contract to purchase real property from a seller to engage in wholesaling,

> provided the buyer discloses the specified information in writing to a potential subsequent purchaser or assignee and the seller of the property. Requires the disclosures to be in a bold, large font print, and included in the written agreement. Requires a violation of this to be commenced within two years after the execution of a contract for purchase and sale of real property. Defines "equitable interest" as the right of a buyer to benefit or profit from real property after the buyer has entered into a contract for the purchase or sale of real property with a seller, but before the legal title has been

transferred from the seller to the buyer.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 12, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

02/24/25 - Senate passed. Senate Status

03/05/25 - Set for House Commerce Committee 03/12/25. House Status

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47 and Title 66, relative to wholesaling real Caption

property.

Position Support

SB919/HB994 Reporting on solid waste planning and management.

Sen. Campbell, Heidi; Rep. Hardaway, G.A. **Sponsors**

Environment & Nature Category

Requires the annual reports from each region to the commissioner of environment and conservation Summarv

for the preceding calendar year regarding data on collection, recycling, transportation, disposal, public costs, and other information that is relevant to the solid waste planning and management be

submitted by February 1 instead of March 31. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 7, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

02/10/25 - Held on House clerk's desk. House Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68 and Title 69, relative to the environment.

SB941/HB1337 Period to apply for charitable gaming events.

Sponsors Sen. Briggs, Richard; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Lottery

Establishes a five-day period after the effective date that allows a nonprofit organization to apply to Summary

operate a charitable gaming event during the annual period of July 1, 2025 until June 30, 2026.

Amendment Senate Commerce and Labor Committee amendment 1 (004351) authorizes nonprofit organizations Summary to submit an annual charitable gaming event application to the Secretary of State (SOS) within five calendar days after this legislation becomes law for events being held from the period beginning

July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, and for the period beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June

30, 2026. Requires the omnibus listing of any approved organizations for the period beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025, and for the period beginning July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 to be transferred to the Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives within 10 calendar days after this proposed legislation becomes law. Deletes obsolete language from

(Dated February 14, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT REVENUE Division of Charitable Solicitations Fiscal Note

and Gaming FY24-25 \$300

Senate Status 03/04/25 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee recommended with amendment 1 (004351). Sent

to Senate State and Local Government Committee.

03/05/25 - House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee. House Status

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

SB949/HB699 Correction of property tax assessments.

Sen. Powers, Bill; Rep. Burkhart, Jeff Sponsors

Taxes Property Category

Summary Changes from March 1 of the second year following a tax year to March 1 of the tenth year following

a tax year by which certain corrections to the property tax assessment for that tax year are to be

initiated by an assessor or requested by a taxpayer.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/06/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to correction of property Caption

tax assessments.

SB958/HB1068 Creation of a community grant advisory board.

Sen. Lamar, London; Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf **Sponsors**

Category Welfare

Creates in the department of human services a community grant advisory board for the purpose of Summary

> administering the community-based organizations grant program to financially support eligible nonprofit organizations that serve communities in the areas of education, public health, housing,

social issues, and economic and workforce development.

03/05/25 - Set for Senate Government Operations Committee 03/12/25. Senate Status

House Status 02/11/25 - Referred to House Health Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 9; Title 67 and Title 71, relative to

community-based organizations.

SB961/HB955 Affordable Housing and Tenant Protection Act.

Sen. Lamar, London; Rep. Brooks, Shaundelle Sponsors

Category Property & Housing

Enacts the "Affordable Housing and Tenant Protection Act." Allows local governments to adopt Summary

> ordinances and resolutions to control rent for private residential rental units. Creates the increased housing program and increased housing fund; authorizes the Tennessee housing development agency to make grants from the fund to eligible developers and first-time homebuyers to assist in

gap financing and down payment assistance.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

02/11/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee. House Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 53; Title 9; Title 12; Title 13; Title

66 and Title 67, relative to housing.

Position Oppose

SB965/HB980 Tourism development authority petition for deannexation of property.

Sen. Hatcher, Tom; Rep. Stinnett, Tom **Sponsors**

Local Government Category

Summary Allows a tourism development authority owning a tract of real property to petition the municipality to

> deannex such property if the deannexation of the property does not create an area of unincorporated territory that is completely surrounded by municipal boundaries. Requires the petition to include a map of the plat seeking deannexation. Establishes that a municipality's jurisdiction over a territory ends on the effective date of its exclusion from the corporate limits through the petition process described in this section, except for any debt incurred after annexation

and before jurisdiction is surrendered.

Senate Status 03/06/25 - Set for Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee 03/12/25.

03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25. House Status

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 6, Chapter 51 and Title 7, Chapter 69, relative

to tourism development authorities.

SB967/HB757 Days to terminate a residential rental or lease agreement - increase.

Sen. Southerland, Steve; Rep. Faison, Jeremy **Sponsors**

Category Property & Housing

Summary Increases, from 30 to 45, the number of days a tenant or household member and a landlord have to agree upon a date to terminate a residential rental or lease agreement, provided the tenant supplies

written notice and documentation to the landlord that the tenant is a domestic abuse, sexual assault, or stalking victim. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 5, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Business & Utilities Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 13; Title 20; Title 21; Title 25; Title 26;

Title 28; Title 29; Title 40; Title 62; Title 66; and Title 68, relative to rental property.

SB970/HB660 Providing services for water or wastewater.

Sponsors Sen. Southerland, Steve; Rep. Jones, Renea

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Permits authorities formed and certified by municipalities under the Municipal Energy Authority Act

to have certain water and wastewater treatment powers to the extent that the authority's exercise of such powers does not conflict with any ordinances or rules adopted by another local government

having jurisdiction over such matters. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5: Title 6: Title 7 and Title 68, relative to

providing services for water or wastewater.

SB980/HB480 Description of real property contained within a deed of conveyance of a

property.

Sponsors Sen. Southerland, Steve; Rep. Hicks, Gary

Category Property & Housing

Summary Requires a description of real property contained within a deed of conveyance of a property not

previously described in a recorded instrument to be prepared by a registered land surveyor. Specifies that this requirement will not apply to any deed of conveyance prepared for or by a

governmental department or agency.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 31, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25. House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62 and Title 66, Chapter 5, Part 1, relative to

surveyors.

SB983/HB701 TPUC report describing the competitive nature of the telecommunications

market in this state.

Sponsors Sen. Southerland, Steve; Rep. Burkhart, Jeff

Category Utilities

Summary Removes the requirement that each year the Tennessee Public Utility Commission submit to the

general assembly a report describing the competitive nature of the telecommunications market in

this state. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 5, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status 02/05/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 65, Chapter 1 and Title 65, Chapter 5, relative

to utilities.

SB984 Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act.

Sponsors Sen. Southerland, Steve Category Property & Housing

Summary Enacts the "Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act," which specifies the process on the

transfers of deeds on the death to a designated beneficiary. Allows the transfer of death deed be revokable and may be changed at any time. Details the requirements needed to produce a transfer

of death deed and the forms needed. (18pp.). Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8; Title 30; Title 31; Title 32; Title 35; Title 55;

Title 66 and Title 67, relative to property.

SB986 Revenue collected from recordation taxes.

Sponsors Sen. Southerland, Steve

Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires half the revenue collected from recordation taxes be returned to the county in which the

real property is located on a recurring basis. Applies to transfers of real property on or after July 1,

2025.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to transfers of realty.

SB988/HB375 Fees assessed by local governments.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Zachary, Jason

Category Local Government

Summary Requires each department, agency, and official in every county, municipal government, or

metropolitan government that assesses and collects a fee of \$500 or more to keep a record of the incident and why the penalty was necessary. Adds that these records are public and may also be included in an audit by the comptroller or the treasury. Allows this audit to be incorporated into any

other financial audit of the county, municipal, or state government.

Amendment Summary Senate State & Local Government Committee, House Cities & Counties Subcommittee amendment 1 (003651) requires any local government entity that assesses and collects a fee related to the construction, building, erection, or improvement to land or any infrastructure contributing to the ability to provide a new building or structure, in excess of \$250, to maintain documentation

describing the justification and cost basis for such fee. Specifies that such documentation is a public record and subject to annual audit by the Comptroller of the Treasury (COT), which may incorporate

such audit into any other financial audit of the respective governmental entity.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 20, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/04/25 - Senate State & Local Government Committee recommended with amendment 1

(003651), Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House State & Local Government Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 10 and Title 67, Chapter

4, Part 29, relative to fees assessed by a local government.

SB997/HB1176 Annexation of territory - exceptions to referendum requirement.

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

Category Local Government

Summary Specifies circumstances in which a referendum will not be required to effectuate annexation of

territory. Removes repealer provision for exceptions to the referendum requirement.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6- 51-104, relative to annexation.

Sponsors

Municipal rental property registries.
Sponsors

Sen. Oliver, Charlane; Rep. Harris, Torrey

Category Property & Housing

Summary Authorizes municipalities to create, implement, and enforce a registry for all residential rental

dwellings within a municipality's jurisdiction. Requires owners of the dwellings to register and requires a municipality that adopts the registry to send an annual report with the number of properties registered, code violations identified and resolved, and the overall effectiveness of the

registry in improving housing conditions.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 20, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 21, relative to municipal rental

property registries.

Position Oppose

SB1013/HB1069 Restriction in a homeowners'association declaration that would prohibit

the operation of a family child care home.

Sponsors Sen. Oliver, Charlane; Rep. Glynn, Ronnie

Category Property & Housing

Summary Makes void and unenforceable a restriction in a homeowners' association declaration that would

prohibit the operation of a family child care home at a property that is the site of a proposed family child care home, if the operator of the proposed family child care home has obtained a license from the department of human services and any necessary permits or licenses from the applicable local

government for the operation of the family child care home. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13 and Title 66, relative to restrictions on the

use of property

SB1032/HB850 Search warrant requirements to enter private property.

Sponsors Sen. Bowling, Janice; Rep. Reneau, Michele

Category Criminal Law

Summary Requires officials who are employed or contracted by the federal government, the state government,

or a local government within this state, or an agency or department thereof, to obtain a search warrant that identifies the person or property that is the subject of the search before entering private property, unless a judicially recognized exception to the warrant requirement exists. Broadly

captioned.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status 02/10/25 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 38; Title 39; Title 40 and Title

44, relative to searches.

SB1045/HB608 Building or development of infrastructure that is nonessential to the

development.

Sponsors Sen. Bowling, Janice; Rep. Rudd, Tim

Category Property & Housing

Summary Prohibits the state or a local or municipal government from requiring a builder or developer of real

property to pay for the building or development of infrastructure that is nonessential to the

development, maintenance, or growth of the builder's development property. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13; Title 54 and Title 66,

relative to real property development.

Position Monitor

SB1051/HB1340 Requirements to be commissioned as an online notary public.

Sponsors Sen. Stevens, John; Rep. Lamberth, William

Category Public Employees

Summary Adds that a person must complete a course of instruction and pass an examination to qualify to be

commissioned as an online notary public. Clarifies that an application to be commissioned requires a certification that the applicant has reviewed, understands, and will comply with the applicable rules and requirements promulgated by the secretary of state. Adds that a course of instruction for online

notarization must include, at a minimum, notarial laws, technology procedures of online

notarizations, and ethical requirements for online notaries.

Senate Status 03/07/25 - Set for Senate Consent 2 03/10/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Judiciary Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 16, Part 3, relative to online

notaries public.

SB1061/HB1083 Hamilton County - collection of property taxes.

Sponsors Sen. Gardenhire, Todd; Rep. Martin, Greg

Category Taxes Property

Summary Authorizes, subject to a 2/3 vote of the legislative body, the county trustee or other property tax

collecting official in Hamilton County to decline to bill or refer for collection a de minimus personal

property tax totaling less than \$20 under certain circumstances.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee Consent Calendar 03/11/25.

House Status 02/11/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-5-2013, relative to collection of property

taxes.

SB1068/HB972 Modernization of Towing, Immobilization, and Oversight Normalization

(MOTION) Act of 2025.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. McCalmon, Jake

Category Transportation Vehicles

Summary Revises various provisions of the Modernization of Towing, Immobilization, and Oversight

Normalization Act including adding penalties for violating the act. Adds a motor vehicle inspection portal to input abandoned or immobile vehicle information for public notice. Requires the removal of firearms from a stored motor vehicle. Prohibits booting a vehicle. Requires signage for the use of automatic license plate readers and parking fees collected. Details specific instances when towing a vehicle is allowed. Specifies the responsibilities of garage keepers who store towed vehicles. Allows a law enforcement agency to take into custody a motor vehicle found abandoned, immobile, or used in curbstoning. Allows public auction on unclaimed vehicles if certain aspects are met. (26pp.).

Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary

Senate Commerce & Labor Committee amendment 1 (003869) revises the requirements of the electronic portal the Department of Revenue (DOR) is required to create and implement that allows a law enforcement agency or garagekeeper to input abandoned vehicle information for public notice. Details nine capabilities that the portal must have. Authorizes DOR to contract with a third-party service provider to create and implement the portal. Requires the procurement process for the portal to begin no later than July 1, 2025, and the implementation of the portal to begin no later than, July 1, 2026. Requires the portal user fee the DOR can charge a police department or other user must be charged in an amount to cover the cost of creating, administering and maintaining the portal. Prohibits DOR from charging a fee for conducting a public search on the portal. Requires the Commissioner of DOR to notify the public and the Tennessee Code Commission when the motor vehicle portal is operational. Removes the authorization for a local government to pass an ordinance specifically opting to be governed by the Modernization of Towing, Immobilization, and Oversight Normalization (MOTION) Act. Prohibits any person from booting a motor vehicle. Expands the conditions for which a person is authorized to tow a motor vehicle without the written authorization of the owner. Requires a person towing a motor vehicle to report specific information to the motor vehicle portal once it is operational. Establishes that a violation of this section is a violation of the Consumer Protection Act of 1977. Makes technical changes to the signage requirements in commercial parking lots. Prohibits a county, municipality, or other political subdivision of this state from enacting or enforcing an ordinance, resolution, rule, or other requirement that regulates parking in a manner that conflicts with the established requirements related to the nonpayment of parking fees. Establishes protocol for law enforcement agencies to verify the owner of a motor vehicle, provide the ownership information to specified parties, and notify the owners of a motor vehicle that

has been taken into custody, before and after the motor vehicle portal is operational. Requires any person who takes possession of a motor vehicle, other than a law enforcement agency or other

public agency, to immediately report the information to DOR until the motor vehicle portal is operational. Eliminates the requirement to advertise a motor vehicle for auction in the newspaper,

and requires the public sale notice to be posted on the online motor vehicle portal.

Senate Status C House Status C

03/05/25 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 03/11/25. 03/05/25 - Set for House Business & Utilities Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6;

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 39; Title 47; Title 40; Title 55; Title 50; Title 50

48; Title 55; Title 56; Title 62; Title 66 and Title 67, relative to motor vehicles.

Position Monitor

SB1079/HB871 Use of escrow funds for condominium projects.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Rudder, Iris

Category Property & Housing

Summary Adds requirements for declarant access to and use of deposits made in connection with the

purchase or reservation of a condominium unit; makes other similar changes.

Amendment Summary House Commerce Committee amendment 1, Senate amendment 1 (003950) specifies that a third party lender has no liability with respect to the use or return of deposits or determining whether an appropriate form of security was obtained for the use of the deposited funds unless the third-party lender takes ownership or control of the condominium project through foreclosure or other remedy,

and only then to the extent of any deposits not already disbursed and expended.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 19, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/03/25 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (003950).

House Status 03/05/25 - House Commerce Committee recommended with amendment 1 (003950). Sent to House

Calendar & Rules.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 66, relative to the use of escrow funds for

condominium projects.

Position Monitor

Sponsors Recordation tax allocation.
Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Marsh, Pat

Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires 50 percent of collections of the recordation tax levied on transfers of realty to be remitted

to each county. Requires counties to use such funds for transportation infrastructure, schools, and

other nonrecurring expenses.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/10/25 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to the recordation tax.

Position Monitor

SB1088/HB1345 Termination of rental agreement for nonpayment of rent or cost of repairs,

damages.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack; Rep. Reeves, Lee

Category Property & Housing

Summary Reduces the time period, after which a landlord may terminate a rental agreement, from 14 days to

seven days following notice to the tenant of a material breach of the rental agreement for the nonpayment of rent, the cost of repairs, damages, or another amount due the landlord under the rental agreement, or for an act of violence or other behavior that poses a real and present danger

on the premises. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Business & Utilities Subcommittee 03/12/25.

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

Position Support

SB1092/HB1297 Termination of rental agreement - written notice.

Sponsors Sen. Lowe, Adam; Rep. Powell, Jason

Category Property & Housing

Summary Changes, from three days to three business days from the date written notice is received by a

tenant, the date on which a landlord may terminate a rental agreement if the tenant or another person on the premises with the tenant's consent willfully or intentionally commits a violent act; behaves in a manner which constitutes or threatens to be a real and present danger to the health, safety, or welfare of the life or property of other tenants or persons on the premises; creates a hazardous or unsanitary condition on the property that affects the health, safety, or welfare or the life or property of other tenants or persons on the premises; or refuses to vacate the premises after entering the premises as an unauthorized subtenant or other unauthorized occupant. Broadly

captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 6, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

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

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

SB1098/HB1161 Moratorium on the development of property.

Sponsors Sen. White, Dawn; Rep. Stevens, Robert

Category Local Government

Summary Allows a county by the adoption of a resolution by a two-thirds vote of the county legislative body, to

impose a moratorium on the development of property, including property within the boundaries of a municipality, for apartment complexes. Limits the moratorium to one year but allows extensions, each not exceeding one year, through the passage of a resolution by a two-thirds vote of the county legislative body. Applies in a county having a population of not less than three hundred 325,000 and

does not apply to a county having a metropolitan form of government. Defines "apartment

complex― as a building or group of buildings for multi-family use within the same development

containing 25 or more individual dwelling units for residents. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5, relative to county powers.

Position Oppose

Summary

SB1101/HB402 Exemption - portions of property that provide tree canopy cover.

Sponsors Sen. Campbell, Heidi; Rep. Moon, Jerome

Category Taxes Property

Allows a property owner to apply for property tax exemption only for portions of real property that provide a tree canopy. Requires the implementing agency to determine the portion of real property that provides tree canopy using a reliable, objective means of quantitative assessments. Requires the chief administrative officer of the county, subject to approval by majority vote of the county governing body, to select the implementing agency responsible for determining tree canopy coverage which will be subjected to annual review. Requires real property owners claiming a tree canopy property tax exemption to file an application with the state board of equalization and submit supporting materials to the county assessor of property where the property is located. Requires the board of equalization to make an initial determination that grants or denies the exemption through a written notice that must be sent to the applicant and the assessor of property. Upon written approval, prohibits the exemption from being transferred or reassigned and the applicant must report to the assessor any changes in the use or ownership of the property or removal of tree canopy that could affect the property's tax exempt status. Establishes that the tax exemption is only applicable in counties upon a two-thirds majority vote of the county governing body. Defines â€camplementing agencyâ€. as the county planning commission, assessor of property, or county board of equalization, operating individually or in conjunction with each other. Defines "tree canopy― as the branches, leaves, stems, and other foliage from woody vegetation that cover real property when viewed from above, measured as a percentage of shaded land area within the tree dripline. Refers to a contiguous area of at least 5,000 square feet that includes the layer of leaves, branches, and stems of trees that cover the ground from an aerial perspective. Encompasses the critical root zone, defined as one foot per inch of diameter at breast height, of a group of trees that are at least six inches in diameter at breast height.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status 02/05/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative to

canopies.

SB1111/HB848 Study of laws and regulations other states regarding operation of drones

over private property.

Sponsors Sen. Southerland, Steve; Rep. Reneau, Michele

Category Transportation General

Summary Requires the Tennessee Aeronautics Commission to study the laws and regulations of other states

regarding restrictions on the operation of drones over private property. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/06/25 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 38; Title 39; Title 42; Title 56 and Title

66, relative to drones.

SB1113/HB1265 Report regarding operation of Uniform Unclaimed Property Act.

Sponsors Sen. Walley, Page; Rep. Faison, Jeremy

Category Property & Housing

Summary Reduced from four to three months, the amount of time following the end of a fiscal year by which

the treasurer must submit a report to the governor, comptroller of the treasury, speaker of the senate, and speaker of the house of representatives regarding the operation of the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act during the immediately preceding fiscal year. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 6, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Senate sponsor changed from J. Johnson to P. Walley. House Status 02/12/25 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk pending amendment.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47; Title 48 and Title 66, relative to property.

SB1138/HB543 Operation of a sewerage system outside the boundaries of a city or town.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Local Government

Summary Prohibits a municipal sewer system or utility district that has operated a sewerage system outside of

the corporate boundaries of the city or town for 25 years or more from ceasing operation of the sewerage system outside the corporate boundaries so long as the sewerage system maintains

sufficient capacity, as determined by a study conducted by TACIR. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 35; Title 7, Chapter 82 and Title 68,

Chapter 221, relative to sewer systems.

SB1139/HB542 Utility to review plans of development for compliance with infrastructure

codes.

Sponsors Sen. Taylor, Brent; Rep. Vaughan, Kevin

Category Local Government

Summary Requires a utility to review plans of development for compliance with water, electric, and natural gas

infrastructure codes within 30 days of the plan's submission. Authorizes the person who submitted the plan to hire a third-party examiner to examine the plan if the utility does not complete the

examination within 30 days. Defines relevant terms.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Business & Utilities Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7; Title 13, Chapter 7; Title 65 and Title 68,

relative to utilities.

SB1173/HB941 Property tax relief for elderly, low-income homeowners.

Sponsors Sen. Akbari, Raumesh; Rep. Mitchell, Bo

Category Taxes Property

Summary Revises the property tax relief program for elderly, low-income homeowners to provide tiered

property tax reimbursements based on the taxpayer's age.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 02/06/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 67, Chapter 5, Part 7, relative to elderly, low-

income homeowners.

Position Support

SB1194/HB801 Standards for roofs.

Sponsors Sen. Jackson, Ed; Rep. Grills, Rusty

Category Safety

Summary Specifies that the roof solar reflectance and thermal emittance requirements of the International

Energy Conservation Code for low-shaped roofs do not apply in Tennessee.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 120, relative to standards for

roofs.

SB1230/HB1039 Submission of electronic records for registration with a register of deeds.

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

Category Commercial Law

Summary Specifies certain persons who may submit electronic records for registration with a register of deeds

that accepts electronic records under the Uniform Real Property Electronic Recording Act. Makes

other changes related to the act.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 15, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 03/03/25 - House passed.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 10, Part 1 and Title 66, Chapter

24, Part 2, relative to electronic recordings.

Position Monitor

SB1231/HB1264 Prohibits nongovernmental or intergovernmental entity from infringing upon

private property rights.

Sponsors Sen. Pody, Mark; Rep. Hulsey, Bud

Category State Government

Summary Prohibits a nongovernmental or intergovernmental entity in this state from infringing upon or

restricting private property rights without due process or an individual's constitutional rights by virtue

of pursuing a policy recommendation originating from or traceable to the United Nations, a subsidiary entity thereof, or an international policymaking organization. Makes it an offense for the state or an official or political subdivision in this state to infringe upon or restrict private property rights without due process or an individual's constitutional rights in pursuing United Nations or

international policymaking organizational policy.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 4- 1-422, relative to property rights.

SB1235/HB1237 Membership on state regulatory and health related boards.

Sponsors Sen. Rose, Paul; Rep. Zachary, Jason

Category Professions & Licensure

Summary Prohibits the exclusion of persons from membership on state regulatory and health-related boards

on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, and national origin. Prohibits such boards from establishing or operating under race-based policies pertaining to their composition. Creates a private cause of action against a board and its officers, employees, and agents for such practices. Removes requirement that appointing authorities strive to ensure certain boards and commissions are

represented by members of racial minorities. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary House State & Local Government Committee amendment 1 (004024) prohibits the regulatory board of a state entity, including a health-related regulatory board, from operating under race-based policies pertaining to the composition of such entities, including policies on affirmative action, racial preferences, or racial quotas. Prohibits a board from using a person's race, color, ethnicity, or national origin to determine the person's participation as a member of the board. Establishes a private cause of action against a board, its officers, employees and agents for such violations. Removes the requirement that appointing authorities must strive to ensure certain boards and

commissions are represented by members of racial minorities.

Senate Status

03/05/25 - Set for Senate Judiciary Committee 03/11/25.

House Status

03/07/25 - Set for House Floor 03/10/25.

Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 21; Title 9; Title 62; Title 63 and

Title 68, relative to state entities.

SB1237/HB785 Number of sureties required to sign a deed of trust - securing a bail bond by

real estate.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell; Rep. Howell, Dan

Category Criminal Law

Summary Lowers from two to one, the number of sureties required to sign a deed of trust, along with the

defendant, when the defendant is seeking to secure a bail bond by real estate. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 11, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status 02/06/25 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 13; Title 39; Title 40; Title

41; Title 56; Title 62 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 8, relative to bail bonds.

SB1243/HB1240 Insurance discounts for proper firearm storage and maintenance.

Sponsors Sen. Massey, Becky; Rep. Helton-Haynes, Esther

Category Insurance General

Summary Requires an insurance company providing coverage for tangible personal property in this state to

offer a discount on a policyholder's homeowners or renters insurance if the policyholder secures any firearms on the property in a firearm safe or uses a firearm safety device. Requires the discount be provided on a recurring basis that aligns with the policyholder's billing cycle. Defines "tangible personal property" as personal property that may be seen, weighed, measured, felt or touched, or is

in any other manner perceptible to the senses. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 13, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee. House Status 02/12/25 - Set for House Insurance Subcommittee 02/19/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, relative to insurance discounts.

SB1271/HB1306 Affordable and workforce housing facilities and development.

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

Category Economic Development

Summary Clarifies definitions concerning housing facilities and developments with regard to industrial

development corporations including affordable and workforce housing. Allows a municipality or county to make amendments to an economic impact plan while approving the plan. Broadly

captioned. Part of Administration Package.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. 03/05/25 - Set for House State & Local Government Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 53; Title 9, Chapter 21 and Title 9,

Chapter 23, relative to economic development.

Position Support

SB1274/HB124 Fees set by the department for environmental regulatory programs.

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

Category Environment & Nature

Summary Makes various changes related to fees set by the department for environmental regulatory

programs. Makes changes to the regulation of coal combustion residuals disposal units. Part of

Administration Package.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Agriculture & Natural Resources Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 203, Part 1 and Title 68, Chapter

211, Part 1, relative to environmental regulatory programs.

SB1275/HB123 Revises certain requirements to file liens for the reclamation of abandoned

coal mining lands.

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

Category Energy & Mining

Summary Revises certain requirements to file liens for the reclamation of abandoned coal mining lands. Part

of Administration Package.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 13, 2025) OTHER FISCAL IMPACT If the proposed legislation is not enacted, the

state may lose \$8,500,000 in federal funding for the Department of Environment and Conservations Abandoned Mine Land Program due to noncompliance with recent amendments to the federal

Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Committee 03/11/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 59, Chapter 8, Part 3, relative to abandoned

mine lands.

SB1276/HB125 Grant matching for from the local parks land acquisition fund.

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

Category Taxes General

Summary Requires a county or municipal government that receives a grant from the local parks land

acquisition fund for a project located within a county designated as distressed or at-risk by the Appalachian Regional Commission at the time of the grant application to match the grant with an amount of money equal to 25 percent of the project, instead of requiring a match with an amount of

money equal to the grant. Part of Administration Package.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 8, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES Local Parks Land Acquisition

Fund FY25-26 \$181,600 FY26-27 \$363,200 FY27-28 & Subsequent Years \$544,800 LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVENUE Permissive FY25-26 \$181,600 FY26-27 \$363,200 FY27-28 & Subsequent Years \$544,800 EXPENDITURES Permissive FY25-26 NET (\$53,400) FY26-27 NET

(\$106,800) FY27-28 & Subsequent Years NET (\$160,200)

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-4-409, relative to the local parks land

acquisition fund.

SB1307/HB127 Authority for local governments to levy a surcharge on local privilege taxes

to fund a transportation improvement program.

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

Category Taxes Business

Summary Extends the authority for local governments to levy a surcharge on local privilege taxes to fund a

transportation improvement program to all cities instead of only Chattanooga, Clarksville, Knoxville, Nashville, and Memphis, and to all counties instead of only Wilson, Washington, Blount, Sullivan, Sumner, Montgomery, Williamson, Rutherford, Hamilton, Knox, Davidson, and Shelby counties. Expands the use of such local surcharge revenue for highway and bridge projects, in addition to

mass transit projects. Part of Administration Package.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/07/25 - Set for House Transportation Subcommittee 03/11/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 67-3-901 and Title 67, Chapter 4, Part 32,

relative to local tax surcharges.

Position Support

SB1313/HB1326 Vested property rights upon development plan or permit submission.

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

Category Property & Housing

Summary Creates a vested property right upon the submission, rather than the approval, of a development

plan or building permit. Specifies that the vesting period applicable when it is based on the submission of a building permit is three years. Broadly captioned. Part of Administration Package.

Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate State & Local Government Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House State & Local Government Committee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, relative to planning.

SB1316/HB1330 Less is More Act of 2025.

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

Category State Government

Summary Reorganizes various boards and agencies in Tennessee. Removes the board of court reporting

from the list of entities that are set to terminate on June 30, 2025. Specifies participation by electronic or other means. Moves the regulatory power of the board of court reporting to the commissioner of commerce and insurance. Details responsibilities of the delegated powers. Allows an individual whose principal place of business is not in this state but who has a valid license in good standing as a certified public accountant from another state to be granted practice privileges in

this state, if at the time the individual was licensed, the individual showed evidence of having

successfully completed the Uniform Certified Public Accountant Examination. (20 pp.). Broadly

captioned. Part of Administration Package.

Senate Status

03/05/25 - Set for Senate Government Operations Committee 03/12/25. 03/05/25 - Set for House State & Local Government Committee 03/12/25.

House Status Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4; Title 8; Title 20; Title 33; Title 38; Title 40; Title 52; Title 55; Title 62; Title 63; Title 68; Title 70 and Title 76, relative to the Less is More Act of

2025.

Position WWS to Amend

SB1323/HB1327

Tennessee rural and workforce housing tax credits - authorization by general

assembly.

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

Category Property & Housing

Summary Deletes provision requiring Tennessee rural and workforce housing tax credits to be authorized by

joint resolution of the general assembly. Part of Administration Package.

Amendment Summary Senate State & Local Government Committee amendment 1 (004250) removes the requirement that

a joint resolution by the General Assembly be issued in order to authorize tax credits under the

Tennessee Rural and Workforce Housing Act of 2024.

Senate Status House Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee $03/11/25.\ 03/05/25$ - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 13-23-134 and Chapter 971 of the Public

Acts of 2024, relative to tax credits.

Position Support

SB1326/HB1380

Property tax relief for elderly persons.

Sponsors Sen. Kyle, Sara; Rep. Harris, Torrey

Category Taxes Property

Summary Exempts taxpayers who are 85 or older and who have received property tax relief for at least five

consecutive years from annual income reporting requirements for continued participation.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/26/25 - Taken off notice in House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

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

relief for elderly persons.

Position

Support

SB1330/HB1184 Unlawful representation as a contractor without a license.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff; Rep. Glynn, Ronnie

Category Professions & Licensure

Summary Deletes obsolete definitions of the term "contractor" and obsolete penalty provisions from statute

governing the unlawful representation as a contractor without a license. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 7, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/12/25 - 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 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;

42; Title 43; Title 44; Title 45; Title 46; Title 47; Title 48; Title 50; Title 53; Title 54; Title 56; Title 61; Title 62; Title 65; Title 66; Title 67; Title 68 and Title 71, relative to commerce.

SB1346/HB1299 Preventing Deepfake Images Act.

Sponsors Sen. Yarbro, Jeff: Rep. Powell, Jason

Category Criminal Law

Summary Creates a civil and criminal action for individuals who are the subject of an intimate digital depiction

that is disclosed without the individual's consent under certain circumstances.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status 02/12/25 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 28 and Title 39, Chapter 17, relative to the

unauthorized use of deepfake or actual likeness.

SB1367/HB21 Exemption - retail sale of food and food ingredients.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Davis, Elaine

Category Taxes Sales

Summary Exempts from the state sales and use tax the retail sale of food and food ingredients. Broadly

captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 01/28/25 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 57, Chapter 3 and Title 67, relative to taxation.

SB1371/HB301 Regulation of sober living homes by local governments.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Martin, Greg

Category Local Government

Summary Allows local governments to regulate sober living homes for recovery from alcohol, drug, and

substance abuse to the extent such regulation complies with the Fair Housing Act and the

Americans with Disabilities Act, including prescribing a distance requirement for such homes from

primary schools, preschools, and daycares, regulating the location and operation of such homes, and requiring that prospective residents receive a clinical referral for placement in a sober living

home. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate
House Status 02/05/25 - Withdrawn in House.
Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13 and Title 33, relative

to housing.

SB1375/HB847

Timeframe for operating budget of water and wastewater treatment authority.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Reneau, Michele

Category Government Organization

Summary Decreases from 60 to 45 days, the amount of time the executive director of the board of

commissioners of a water and wastewater treatment authority has to annually prepare the operating budget of the authority and submit the budget to the board for approval prior to the beginning of the

fiscal year. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status

02/10/25 - Referred to Senate Energy, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee.

House Status 02/06/25 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 65; Title 68 and Title 69,

relative to wastewater.

SB1377/HB494

Voluntary Portable Benefit Plan Act.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Baum, Charlie

Category Insurance Health

Summary Enacts that Voluntary Portable Benefit Plan Act, which allows public or private entities to voluntarily

contribute funds to a portable benefit plan as compensation to an independent contractor. Establishes that contributions to a portable benefit plan may not be used as a criterion for determining a worker's employment classification. Allows for contributions to the portable benefit plan to be made using funds from a hiring party or a percentage of funds withheld from the

compensation owed to an independent contractor, so long as such an agreement is expressed in a written agreement, is clear, unambiguous, and prominently displayed either in the work contract or a separate notice, the contractor has opted-in, and that the independent contractor may opt-out at any

time.

Amendment Summary House Insurance Committee amendment 1 (003693) rewrites the bill. Enacts that Voluntary Portable Benefit Plan Act, which allows public or private entities to voluntarily contribute funds to a portable benefit plan as compensation to an independent contractor. Establishes that contributions to a portable benefit plan may not be used as a criterion for determining a worker's employment classification. Allows for contributions to the portable benefit plan to be made using funds from a hiring party or a percentage of funds withheld from the compensation owed to an independent contractor, so long as such an agreement is expressed in a written agreement, is clear, unambiguous, and prominently displayed either in the work contract or a separate notice, the contractor has opted-in, and that the independent contractor may opt-out at any time. Defines "benefit plan" as including health insurance, income replacement insurance, life insurance,

retirement benefits and other benefits that may customarily be provided as part of a benefit plan. Senate Status 03/05/25 - Set for Senate Commerce & Labor Committee 03/11/25.

House Status 03/05/25 - House Insurance Committee recommended with amendment 1 (003693). Sent to House

Calendar & Rules.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 50 and Title 65, Chapter 15, Part 3, relative to

employer-employee relationships.

SB1381/HB783

Regulation of sober living homes for recovery from alcohol, drug, and substance abuse.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Martin, Greg

Category Local Government

Summary Authorizes a local government to adopt ordinances or resolutions to require a sober living home to

be at least 1,000 feet from a K-12 school, preschool, or daycare facility; regulate the location or operation of sober living homes within its jurisdiction; require operators to obtain a clinical referral from a licensed healthcare provider before allowing an individual to reside in a sober living home, confirming that placement is a medical necessity based on the individual's recovery from alcohol, drug, or substance abuse. Defines "sober living home" as an alcohol-free and drug-free residence where unrelated adults who are recovering from alcohol, drug, or substance abuse choose to live together in a supportive environment during their recovery where no formal alcohol and drug services are provided. Defines "operator" as the lawful owner of a sober living home or a person or entity designated by such lawful owner to have primary responsibility for the daily operation of such

sober living home. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 02/06/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 13 and Title 33, relative

to housing.

SB1386/HB180 Criteria for deannexation of property.

Sponsors Sen. Watson, Bo; Rep. Moody, Debra

Category Local Government

Summary Expands the criteria for real property that is eligible for the property owner to petition a municipality

to deannex. Allows owners of real property used primarily for agricultural purposes who reside in a territory previously annexed by ordinance that was not annexed through a referendum or a request

of the property owner may petition the municipality to deannex such property under certain

conditions.

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate

House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6- 51-201, relative to deannexation.

SB1398/HB890 Required cost and income limit estimates for property tax relief.

Sponsors Sen. Roberts, Kerry; Rep. Todd, Chris

Category Taxes Property

Summary Allows the comptroller of the treasury to provide cost and income limit estimates for property tax

relief to members of the general assembly by electronic means.

Fiscal Note (Dated February 6, 2025) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/06/25 - Held on House clerk's desk.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 48 and Title 67, relative to real property taxes.

SB1404/HB365 Action of a municipality that affects tax obligations for property owners who

are located outside the municipality's corporate boundary.

Sponsors Sen. Hensley, Joey; Rep. Fritts, Monty

Category Local Government

Summary Prohibits a municipality, or an instrumentality of a municipality, from taking an action that affects or

has the potential to affect the tax obligations, fees, or other costs for real property owners whose property is located outside of a municipality's corporate boundary, unless the action is approved by the county legislative body in which such property is located. Requires the membership of joint economic and community development boards to proportionately represent the citizenry over which

the board exercises jurisdiction by July 1, 2029.

Senate Status 02/12/25 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee. House Status 03/05/25 - Set for House Cities & Counties Subcommittee 03/12/25.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5 and Title 6, relative to equal representation

for the citizenry of this state.

SB1435/HB1413 Gallatin - authorizes city council to impose impact fees on new development.

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

Category Local Government

Summary Local bill for Gallatin that authorizes the city council to impose impact fees on new development.

Amends Chapter 67 of the Private Acts of 1953, as amended and rewritten.

Senate Status 02/24/25 - Introduced in the Senate House Status 02/24/25 - Introduced in the House

Caption AN ACT to amend Chapter 67 of the Private Acts of 1953; as amended and rewritten by Chapter 88

of the Private Acts of 1969; Chapter 393 of the Private Acts of 1972; Chapter 300 of the Private Acts of 1974; Chapter 70 of the Private Acts of 1975; Chapter 97 of the Private Acts of 1981; Chapter 48 of the Private Acts of 1999; Chapter 4 of the Private Acts of 2009; Chapter 30 of the Private Acts of

2014; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the City of Gallatin.

Position Oppose

SB6007/HB6007 Disbursement of payments to property owners whose property was

destroyed or damaged by a FEMA-certified disaster.

Sponsors Sen. Crowe, Rusty; Rep. Faison, Jeremy

Category Taxes Property

Summary Requires the comptroller to disburse payments to property owners whose real or personal property

was destroyed or damaged by a FEMA-certified disaster occurring between September 26, 2024, and September 30, 2024, under certain conditions. Requires the chief executive officer of a governmental entity to approve the deployment of the governmental entity's personnel and equipment outside its boundaries to another governmental entity that has requested emergency

assistance during a disaster.

Amendment Senate amendment 2 (002383) requires that payments be provided to only one owner per property, and if more than one owner seeks payment for the same property, the COT must disburse the

payment to the owner who first submits all necessary information and correctly completed documentation. Senate amendment 3 (002578) requires the Comptroller of the Treasury (COT) to disburse payments to owners of real or personal property whose property: (1) was destroyed or damaged by Hurricane Helene between September 26, 2024 and September 30, 2024; and (2) is

located in a county included in the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) declaration. Specifies that payments are allowed regardless of whether the property was restored or replaced by December 31, 2024. Requires such payments to be equal to 130 percent of the property tax paid by

each property owner for tax year 2024. Deletes the provision on December 31, 2025.

Fiscal Note (Dated January 26, 2025) STATE GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURES General Fund FY24-25

>\$1,931,600 FY25-26 >\$1,931,600

Senate Status 02/10/25 - Signed by Senate speaker.

House Status 02/11/25 - Signed by House speaker.

Executive Status 02/12/25 - Enacted as Public Chapter 0006.

Public Chapter PC6-EOS.pdf

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 58, Chapter 8 and Title 67, Chapter 5, relative

to emergency events.

Effective Date 02/12/25, 07/01/25

SJR1 Constitutional amendment - prohibits a state property tax.

Sponsors Sen. Haile, Ferrell Category Taxes Property

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 03/06/25 - Set for Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee 03/11/25.

Position Support

SJR27 Tennessee Rural and Workforce Housing Act housing credit.

Sponsors Sen. Johnson, Jack Category Taxes General

Summary Authorizes the allocation by the Tennessee housing development agency of the tax credit created

by the Tennessee Rural and Workforce Housing Act against a taxpayer's liability for premium tax, retaliatory tax, franchise tax, and excise tax. Authorizes \$10 million per year to be allocated in

credits for the next three calendar years.

Senate Status 03/04/25 - Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee deferred to 03/11/25.

Position Suppor

HB63 Pilot program to support homeless or potentially homeless families.

Sponsors Rep. Cepicky, Scott

Category Welfare

Summary Creates within the Tennessee Housing Development Agency the Housing Opportunity and

Pathways to Education (HOPE) pilot program to provide support to homeless families and those at

risk of homelessness. Broadly captioned.

House Status 02/03/25 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 5; Title 9; Title 13 and Title 71, Chapter 5,

relative to housing programs.

HB137 Settlement agents - real property transactions.

Sponsors Rep. Barrett, Jody Category Insurance General

Summary Authorizes a purchaser or borrower in a real property transaction to select the settlement agent to

perform certain duties, including provide escrow or closing services in connection with the transfer of interests in real property or the making of loans secured by interests in real property and act as the title insurance agency. Authorizes the seller to retain a licensed attorney in this state to represent the seller's interests in such transaction. Prohibits the designated settlement agent from collecting certain transaction-related fees from a represented seller without consent of the seller's

attorney.

House Status 01/15/25 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 56, Chapter 35 and Title 66, relative to real

property transactions.

HB670 Limiting development from banks of a Class II or Class III scenic river.

Sponsors Rep. Jones, Renea Category Environment & Nature

Summary Limits the boundary for Class II or Class III river areas to be no more than 400 feet from the usual

banks of the river on each side. Broadly captioned.

House Status 02/05/25 - Withdrawn in House.

Caption AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 11, relative to natural areas.

HJR2 Constitutional amendment - prohibits a state property tax.

Sponsors Rep. Darby, Tandy Category Taxes Property

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.

House Status 01/29/25 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

Position Support

HJR5 Constitutional amendment - to ensure equality of rights based on sex.

Sponsors Rep. Behn, Aftyn

Category Judiciary

Summary Proposes an amendment to prohibit this state or an instrumentality of this state from abridging or

denying a person's rights on account of sex.