TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

FISCAL MEMORANDUM



HB 2206 - SB 2224

March 4, 2020

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Reduces the period of time, from five business days to three business days, by which the Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) must publish on its website any final orders by an administrative judge or the Tennessee Board of Water Quality, Oil, and Gas.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (015852): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Prohibits the Board of Water Quality, Oil, and Gas (Board) from adopting in its rules, requirements for drip or spray fields that impose land set aside for excess capacity, emitter center specifications, elevation restrictions, or limitations on land use where effluent is disinfected prior to application. Establishes that no permit under the Water Quality Control Act of 1977 will impose as a permit condition any requirement for drip or spray fields that impose land set aside for excess capacity, emitter center specifications, elevation restrictions, or limitations on land use where effluent is disinfected prior to application.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Decrease State Revenue – Exceeds \$500/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years

/Environmental Protection Fund

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- This legislation is estimated to result in a decrease in permit issuances.
- Such decrease in permit issuances is unknown, but this legislation is estimated to result in a decrease in at least 5 permit issuances per year.
- Such permits require a one-time nonrefundable fee of \$100.
- A decrease in state fee revenue exceeding \$500 per year (5 permits x \$100) to the Environmental Protection Fund.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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