TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2159 - SB 2136

March 23, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the Embryo Donation and Adoption Act of 2009 which establishes a woman and her husband as the adoptive parents of a child born as a result of the implantation of an embryo into such woman. Clinics are required to receive a written contract transferring rights to the embryo prior to the thawing and transfer of the embryo and retain all records of the transfer for a period of not less than 21 years following the birth of the child. The child shall have the right to request and be granted access to the records upon turning 18 years old.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$38,500

Increase Federal Expenditures - \$26,100

Assumptions:

- The Department of Children's Services estimates the need for an additional position to process registrations of adoptions, preserve records and receive records requests. The position will result in an increase in expenditures of \$64,600 which includes salary (\$40,000), benefits (\$13,600), and communications, networking, travel and supplies (\$11,000).
- Of the total increase of \$64,600, seven percent (\$4,522) will be Title IV-E Federal funds; 45 percent (\$29,070) will be through TennCare; and \$31,008 in state funds.
- Of the TennCare funds, \$7,518 is state funds at a 25.862 percent match rate and \$21,552 is federal funds at a 74.138 percent match rate.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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