

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1635-01
Bill No.: HB 659
Subject: Lobbying; Ethics
Type: Original
Date: February 17, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal prohibits the use of public funds for lobbying purposes.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Oversight was unable to receive some of the agency responses in a timely manner due to the short fiscal note request time. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have or on prior year information regarding a similar bill. Upon the receipt of agency responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval of the chairperson of the Joint Committee on Legislative Research to publish a new fiscal note.

Oversight assumes this proposal creates the "Fair Influence in Government Act." Any executive, quasi-executive, judicial, or quasi-judicial department or state agency must not use any public resources to pay the costs of employing or contracting for the services of any individual who lobbies on behalf of the executive, quasi-executive, judicial, quasi-judicial department or state agency in an attempt to influence the passage or defeat of any legislative measure. A violation must result in a fine of not less than \$1,000 but not more than \$5,000. Any individual who accepts public funds as compensation for lobbying in violation of this section may be prohibited from registering as a legislative lobbyist for a period not to exceed two years.

Oversight assumes that due to the severity of the penalty for violation of this proposal that agencies and political subdivisions will comply with this proposal's provisions and no penalties would be assessed.

Officials at the **Department of Conservation** assume an unknown fiscal impact.

Officials at the **Office of the Governor**, the **Department of Natural Resources**, the **Missouri Senate**, the **Office of Courts Administrator**, the **Office of Administration**, the **Department of Higher Education**, the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations**, the **Department of Public Safety**, the **Department of Corrections**, the **Department of Mental Health**, the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules**, the **Department of Public Safety's Gaming Commission**, the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration**, the **Department of Economic Development**, the **Office of the Lieutenant Governor**, and the **Office of the Missouri State Public Defender** each assume no fiscal impact from this proposal to their respective organizations.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
Missouri Senate
Office of Courts Administrator
Office of Administration
Department of Higher Education
Office of the Governor
Department of Natural Resources
Department of Conservation
Department of Mental Health
Department of Corrections
Department of Public Safety
Department of Public Safety's Gaming Commission
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration
Office of the Missouri State Public Defender
Department of Economic Development
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