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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4999-01
Bill No.: HB 1771
Subject: Political Parties; Elections
Type: Original
Date: January 6, 2016

Bill Summary: This proposal allows a candidate to file for candidacy in more than one political party primary.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
General Revenue	(\$24,000)	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$24,000)	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
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 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assume this proposal would allow a candidate to file with more than one political party for an office. Significant changes to the Missouri Centralized Voter Registration (MCVR) database would need to be made for candidate filing and election night reporting. Approximately 200 hours would be needed to make the programming changes at the estimated cost of \$24,000. The changes to MCVR would also allow for candidates to file with more than one political party in local elections.

Officials at the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** assume the fiscal impact from this proposal to their organization is minimal.

Officials at the **St. Louis County Board of Election Commission, Lincoln County, Buchanan County, and Platte County Board of Election Commission** each assume no fiscal impact from this proposal to their respective organizations.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
GENERAL REVENUE			
<u>Cost - SOS - computer programming to MCVR (one-time)</u>	<u>(\$24,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	<u>(\$24,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
	<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.

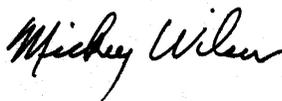
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, a person who files as a party candidate for nomination or election to an office is prohibited from filing as another party's candidate or as an independent candidate for the same term unless he or she withdraws the previous filing. This bill changes this provision to allow a person who files as a party candidate for nomination or election to an office to file as a primary candidate and appear on the general election ballot as a candidate for more than one political party if the political party allows fusion tickets by its bylaws or other rules that are not inconsistent with specified provisions of law. The person cannot file as an independent candidate unless the person has withdrawn all political party filings for the office.

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

Office of the Secretary of State
St. Louis County Board of Election Commission
Platte County Board of Election Commission
Kansas City Board of Election Commission
Lincoln County
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