

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 3265-01  
Bill No.: HB 1328  
Subject: Public Officials: Missouri Ethics Commission  
Type: Original  
Date: January 30, 2002

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
General Revenue	(\$10,739)	(\$13,648)	(\$13,576)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>(\$10,739)</b>	<b>(\$13,648)</b>	<b>(\$13,576)</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Office of Secretary of State** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Missouri Ethics Commission** stated that they currently process late fees and send notices. However, they do not send notices certified monthly reminders, therefore, there would be some additional costs associated with storage, filing, forms to local election authorities for compliance, and additional cost of certified postage.

Officials estimate costs for FY 2003 at \$10,739; and in FY 2004 at \$13,648; and in FY 2005 at \$13,576.

Officials of the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** stated that this proposal does not assign any new duties to local election authorities except to supply candidates with ethics compliance forms at the time they file. Officials stated that they currently supply ethics forms to candidates, therefore, there would be no fiscal impact.

**Oversight assumes that the Missouri Ethics Commission would supply compliance forms to local election authorities, who would distribute the forms to candidates when they file for office. The candidate would be responsible for mailing in the forms to the Ethics Commission. Therefore, there would be no fiscal impact to local election authorities.**

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
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**GENERAL REVENUE**

<u>Cost</u> to Missouri Ethics Commission Equipment and Expense	<u>(\$10,739)</u>	<u>(\$13,648)</u>	<u>(\$13,576)</u>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

### DESCRIPTION

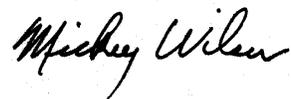
This bill requires the Executive Director of the Missouri Ethics Commission to mail notice of a candidate's failure to file a required report within five business days of the missed due date. Additionally, notice of the total late fee assessment must be mailed at least monthly thereafter.

The bill also requires that forms required by the commission be provided to all election authorities for distribution to all candidates filing for 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 Secretary of State  
Missouri Ethics Commission  
Kansas City Board of Election Commission



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