

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3366-01
Bill No.: HB-1261
Subject: Counties: Roads, Brush Removal
Type: Original
Date: January 28, 2002

FISCAL SUMMARY

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

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Local Government*	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown

* Savings on a statewide basis would be expected to exceed \$100,000 annually for certain counties.

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDot)** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **Camden County Commission** assume this proposal does not pertain to Camden County.

Oversight assumes this proposal extends to all counties a procedure by which they can eradicate brush from county right-of-way. For counties that currently do their own brush eradication this proposal would provide for savings. Oversight assumes that this proposal requires all land owners that own property along county roads to keep their property free of brush and accessible for county maintenance. Procedures provide for a system for the county to have property cleared and to recover the costs of clearing the right-of-way. Oversight for the purposes of this fiscal note will show savings to certain counties that currently finance a brush and mowing program for their county. Savings on a statewide basis is unknown, however, Oversight would expect it to exceed \$100,000 annually.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
<u>Savings</u> to Certain Counties from brush eradication program *	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>

*** On a statewide basis, savings would be expected to exceed \$100,000 annually.**

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small business owning property on county right-of-way would realize the cost of brush removal.

DESCRIPTION

Current law requires persons owning land in any county with a township form of government located North of the Missouri River and having no portion of the county East of U.S. Highway 63, upon a favorable vote in a countywide election, to control brush growing on their property if the property is designated a county right-of-way or easement and is adjacent to any county road. This bill repeals geographic qualifiers and voter approval for land owners to be required to control brush growing on their property.

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 Transportation
Camden County Commission

NOT RESPONDING

The County Commissions of: Marion, Callaway, Boone, Cass, Clay, Platte, Jasper, Greene, Christian, Ozark, Cape Girardeau, Lewis, Audrain, and Adair Counties



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