

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4654-01
Bill No.: HB 1929
Subject: Public Service Commission: Business and Commerce
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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	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Economic Development - Office of the Public Counsel and - Public Service Commission** stated that, unless there were a number of cases brought under the new rules, they would be able to carry out their duties under terms of this proposal with existing resources.

Officials of the **Secretary of State (SOS)** stated that this proposal would require the Public Service Commission promulgate rules for expedited dispute resolution procedures. Based on experience with other divisions, the rules, regulations and forms issued by the Public Service Commission could require as many as 12 pages in the *Code of State Regulations*. For any given rule, roughly half again as many pages are published in *Missouri Register* as in the *Code* because cost estimates and fiscal notes are not repeated in the *Code*. The estimated cost of a page in the *Missouri Register* is \$23. The estimated cost of a page in the *Code of State Regulations* is \$27. The estimated cost of publication in FY 2003 for this proposal is \$738. Actual cost could be more or less and costs in future years would depend upon frequency and length of rules filed, amended, rescinded or withdrawn.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

<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
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

This proposal would require the Public Service Commission to, by rule, establish rapid dispute resolution procedures for matters the Commission deems appropriate. Expedited dispute resolution procedures would not apply to matters having time frames established by law.

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

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Economic Development
Office of the Public Counsel
Public Service Commission
Secretary of State



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