

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5679-01
Bill No.: HB 1901
Subject: Elections; Disabilities; Secretary of State
Type: Original
Date: April 20, 2012

Bill Summary: This proposal requires accessible voting systems for elections.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
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 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

- Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Local Government	(Unknown greater than \$100,000)	(Unknown greater than \$100,000)	(Unknown greater than \$100,000)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Office of the Secretary of State** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials at the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal as they already have the machines at each polling place.

Officials at the **Platte County Board of Election Commission** assume no direct cost to the election board but additional costs to the districts, for programming audio ballots ranging from \$350 to \$800 minimum depending on the number of issues on the ballot. Additionally, training of individuals to operate the Touch Screen Equipment on election day would be \$1,400 and the salary for individuals to operate the Touch Screen Equipment on election day would be \$5,600.

Officials at the **St. Louis County Board of Election Commission** assume this proposal would require us to create an audio ballot each election. The audio ballot would increase the cost of the election \$1,000 to \$5,000 depending on the length of the ballot.

Local election authorities in the following counties provided Oversight with an estimate of the cost of providing the DRE machine in each polling place at each election. Each county provided the equipment cost which includes the cost of programming the computers for each election. Additional costs included the results cartridge burning of all DRE, pre-election logic and accuracy testing, set up and dismantling of DRE in each polling place, public testing of the equipment, post-election verification of each DRE, and post election reset of the DRE.

COUNTY	EQUIPMENT COSTS	ADDITIONAL COSTS	TOTAL
Atchison	\$3,500	\$3,000	\$6,500
Barry	\$4,000	\$2,500	\$6,500
Benton	\$3,000	\$2,000	\$5,000
Carroll	\$5,000	\$3,125	\$8,125
Cooper	\$3,500	\$3,000	\$6,500
Dallas	\$4,200	\$0	\$4,200

COUNTY	EQUIPMENT COSTS	ADDITIONAL COSTS	TOTAL
Daviess	\$3,500	\$1,150	\$4,650
Dunklin	\$3,500	\$1,850	\$5,350
Grundy	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500
Henry	\$3,500	\$2,500	\$6,000
Lewis	\$1,500	\$350	\$1,850
Livingston	\$3,000	\$4,540	\$7,540
Monroe	\$3,000	\$2,150	\$5,150
Newton	\$5,000	\$1,750	\$6,750
Nodaway	\$5,000	\$3,300	\$8,300
Pike	\$2,500	\$1,550	\$4,050
Polk	\$2,500	\$855	\$3,355
Ripley	\$3,500	\$0	\$3,500
Scott	\$8,000	\$7,500	\$15,500
TOTAL			\$112,320

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government

FY 2013
(10 Mo.)

FY 2014

FY 2015

\$0

\$0

\$0

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015
LOCAL ELECTION AUTHORITIES			
Cost - expense of having the DRE machines at every election	<u>(Unknown greater than \$100,000)</u>	<u>(Unknown greater than \$100,000)</u>	<u>(Unknown greater than \$100,000)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL ELECTION AUTHORITIES	<u>(Unknown greater than \$100,000)</u>	<u>(Unknown greater than \$100,000)</u>	<u>(Unknown greater than \$100,000)</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires each polling place for a federal, state, local, or school district election held after August 28, 2012, to have at least one accessible voting system that conforms to federal regulations for disabled voters. The voting system must have been qualified by the Secretary of State for use by local election authorities.

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

Atchison County
Barry County
Benton County
Carroll County
Cooper County
Dallas County
Daviess County
Dunklin County
Grundy County
Henry County
Kansas City Board of Election Commission
Lewis County

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION (continued)

Livingston County
Monroe County
Newton County
Nodaway County
Office of the Secretary of State
Pike County
Platte County Board of Election Commission
Polk County
Ripley County
Scott County
St. Louis County Board of Election Commission



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