

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4195-02
Bill No.: HB 1695
Subject: Children and Minors
Type: Original
Date: February 28, 2014

Bill Summary: This proposal authorizes a community children’s services fund to expend funds to provide preventative services, including transportation costs, for children.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
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 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
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 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from **St. Louis County - Children's Service Fund (CSF)** state this proposal, allowing for transportation, would be an expensive item. This could be millions a year, but it is difficult to estimate exactly how much of an impact there would be. The CSF funds 59 agencies totaling \$50 million a year. If all 59 agencies asked for transportation costs, that amount could be substantial. Assuming 10% of their budgets were for transportation, that could be \$5 million a year.

Any funding used for transportation would be moneys diverted from direct services. As a result, there would be less funding available to provide services to children.

Oversight notes the language of the proposal is permissive as far as what services revenues collected and deposited in the community children's services fund may be used to provide. Section 210.861.5 provides that funds may not be expended for ..."transportation services". This exclusion is being removed. Therefore, if the fund would wish to expend funds for transportation services, it may.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DSS)** state the proposal will have no fiscal impact on the DSS. Community Children's Services Funds are raised and spent at the local level. The Division of Youth Services (DYS) concurs that these new services would not negatively affect the existing Juvenile Court Diversion (JCD) Program. If anything, it may provide a supplemental source of funding for on-going JCD projects, or initiate new projects for the local courts.

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health**, the **Department of Health and Senior Services**, and the **Department of Revenue** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the following **counties**: Andrew, Audrain, Barry, Bates, Boone, Buchanan, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Cole, Cooper, DeKalb, Franklin, Greene, Holt, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Laclede, Lawrence, Lincoln, Marion, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, New Madrid, Nodaway, Ozark, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Platte, Pulaski, Scott, St. Charles, St. Francois, Taney, Warren, Wayne and Worth did not respond to **Oversight's** request for a statement of fiscal impact.

Officials from the **City of St. Louis** did not respond to **Oversight's** request for a statement of fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
	<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.

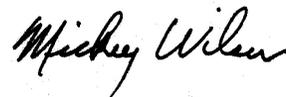
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

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 Mental Health
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Revenue
Department of Social Services
St. Louis County -
 Children's Service Fund



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