

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 5895-01  
Bill No.: HB 2109  
Subject: Fire Protection; Political Subdivisions; Property, Real and Personal  
Type: Original  
Date: April 30, 2014

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Bill Summary: This proposal allows owners of property in a residential subdivision to file a petition seeking to have their subdivision excluded from a fire protection district.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

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

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

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 6 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
<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 FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- 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).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **City of Columbia** assume a potential fiscal impact to the City absent a 'subscription' for City fire services for a property that falls outside the Columbia Fire Department's response area. How much would be difficult to quantify. Theoretically there would be an increase in run volume which would translate to higher fuel and potentially higher maintenance costs.

Officials at the **Central County Fire and Rescue** assume that if the legislation were to pass, the fiscal impact to the first year would be approximately \$30,000 and then the same amount or greater each year following the de-annexation of the subdivision. This is based on only the subdivision that is generating this statute change. The impact would be greater should other subdivisions follow suit.

**Oversight** assumes that any cost associated from this proposal to be speculative. Oversight also assumes this proposal to be permissive in nature and would have no local fiscal impact without action by the property owners of a subdivision and the governing body of the fire protection district. The fire protection districts are dependent upon the number of residential subdivisions excluded from a fire protection district who would no longer pay property taxes to the district for fire services. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a direct fiscal impact of \$0 to an unknown loss for fire protection districts.

Officials at the **Office of the State Courts Administrator**, the **Department of Public Safety's Division of Fire Safety**, the **Office of the Secretary of State** and the **State Tax Commission** each assume no fiscal impact to their respective agencies from this proposal.

Officials at the **Mississippi County Recorder of Deeds**, the **St. Louis County Board of Election Commission**, **Cole County**, the **Platte County Board of Election Commission** and **St. Louis County** each assume no fiscal impact to their respective organizations from this proposal.

Officials at the Battlefield Fire Protection District, Centralia Fire Department, Creve Couer Fire District, DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District, Hawk Point Fire Protection District, Hillsboro Fire Protection District, Lake St. Louis Fire District, Mehlville Fire District, Nixa Fire Protection District, Saline Valley Fire Protection District and the Southern Iron County Fire Protection District did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials at the following counties: Andrew, Audrain, Barry, Bates, Boone, Buchanan, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Cass, Clay, 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 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
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**LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS**

Loss - Fire Protection Districts - Exclusion of subdivision parcels from fire protection districts	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>	<b><u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u></b>
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill allows owners of property in a residential subdivision to file a petition with the fire protection district board seeking to have their subdivision excluded from the fire protection district. The petition must be signed by every owner of a parcel in the subdivision. The petition must describe the property that the petitioners would like to have excluded and must include a statement from any rural, volunteer, or subscription fire department or organization or volunteer

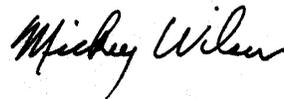
FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

fire protection association that it will provide fire protection services to the subdivision upon an order by the court excluding the subdivision from the district. The secretary of the board must cause a notice of filing of the petition to be published in the county in which the subdivision is located and notify all interested persons to appear at the office of the board at the time named in the notice showing cause in writing, if any, why the petition should not be granted. The filing of the petition must be deemed to be assent by the petitioners to the exclusion from the district.

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

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Office of the State Courts Administrator  
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    Division of Fire Safety  
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