

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO.: 4650-02
BILL NO.: HB 2121
SUBJECT: Children and Minors; Education, Elementary and Secondary; Social Services.
TYPE: Original
DATE: March 31, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
General Revenue	(\$374,262)	(\$413,952)	(\$424,663)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	(\$374,262)	(\$413,952)	(\$424,663)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Local Government	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses
This fiscal note contains 4 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** state this proposal would require programs receiving certain Gaming Commission Fund grants through DESE or the DOSS to be licensed pursuant to chapter 210, RSMo. This does not apply to extended day-care programs established pursuant to 167.290 to 167.310, RSMo, or head start programs established pursuant to sections 660.650 to 660.657, RSMo. The DESE assumes this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agency, but would have an unknown fiscal impact on the local school districts.

Officials from the **Department of Health (DOH)** state that DESE has determined that there are a total of 518 child care facilities that provide care for preschool-age children during the day. These child care facilities are operated on elementary or secondary public school property. They do not include child care programs providing before and after school-age child care or Head Start programs. One hundred seven (107) of these facilities have been licensed by the DOH as a result of the provisions of HB 1519 that was passed in 1998. The remaining 411 facilities ($518 - 107 = 411$) are currently exempt from licensure as defined by section 210.201 (2) RSMo. There may be a small number of these facilities that have already voluntarily applied for licensure; however, the DOH does not believe that it is a significant number. Therefore, if this legislation were to pass, an additional 411 child care facilities would have to be inspected, licensed, and monitored for compliance with Missouri statutes and the DOH licensing rules.

The DOH states there are 65 Child Care Facility Specialists who inspect, license, and monitor 4,652 child care facilities in Missouri. The average caseload size of a Child Care Facility Specialist is 72 facilities per staff person ($4,652 \div 65 = 72$). The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) states: "NAEYC believes that, on the average, regulators caseloads, should be no more than 75 centers and large family child care homes or the equivalent; NAEYC recommends 50 as a more desirable number." As it would be necessary to inspect, license, and monitor an additional 411 child care facilities, six (6) Child Care Facility Specialist II's (each at \$34,992 annually) would be required by the DOH. In addition, two (2) Clerk Typist II's (each at \$19,452 annually) would be required as support staff for the Child Care Facility Specialist II's.

The DOH states the duties of the Child Care Facility Specialist II's include inspecting, licensing, and monitoring 411 additional child care facilities for compliance with state statutes and licensing rules. The Clerk Typist II's would serve as support staff.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the **Gaming Commission** and the **Department of Social Services** assume this proposal will not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Oversight assumes local school districts in the state may have unknown costs to make adjustments and/or improvements to meet licensing standards required by the Department of Health. Oversight also assumes the Department of Health will not require additional rent expense as requested for the eight new FTE.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
	(10 Mo.)		
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Costs</u> - Department of Health			
Personal Service (8 FTE)	(\$212,479)	(\$261,455)	(\$267,992)
Fringe Benefits	(\$65,337)	(\$80,397)	(\$82,408)
Expense and Equipment	(\$96,810)	(\$72,100)	(\$74,263)
Total <u>Costs</u> - Department of Health	(\$374,626)	(\$413,952)	(\$424,663)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$374,262)</u>	<u>(\$413,952)</u>	<u>(\$424,663)</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
	(10 Mo.)		
LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
<u>Costs</u> - Necessary expenditures to become licensed by the DOH			
	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

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DESCRIPTION

This proposal requires any program providing child care to preschool-age children on public school property to comply with the child care licensing provisions of Chapter 210, RSMo. The bill does not apply to extended day child care and head start programs.

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 Social Service
Department of Health
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Missouri Gaming Commission



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