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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0531-01
Bill No.: SB 32 with HCA 1
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary: Missouri School for the Deaf
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FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2002 | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
| General Revenue | (\$750,000) | (\$772,500) | (\$795,675) |
| State School Moneys | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds | (\$750,000) | (\$772,500) | (\$795,675) |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2002 | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2002 | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
| School Districts | (\$750,000) | (\$772,500) | (\$795,675) |

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Funding for Education of Deaf and Blind Students

Officials of the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education:**

1) estimate, based on a survey of net revenues and expenditures of districts which provide services and Missouri Schools for the Deaf and for the Blind, that excess education cost per pupil is \$6,000,

2) note that 71 deaf students and 54 blind students participate at present. (Assume that for practical purposes the maximum students participating would be the total number of students enrolled at the schools: 156 at the School for the Deaf and 122 at the School for the Blind.)

Costs would be $125 \times \$6,000 = \$750,000$ and would increase 3% per year.

(NOTE: The Department has a decision item in its budget request for FY 2002 which would pay for "excess" costs for students who would be eligible for Missouri's schools for the deaf and for the blind; however, the Governor did not include the request in the Governor's recommendations.)

Urban School Districts

In previous responses to this portion of the proposed legislation, officials with the **Office of the Secretary of State—Elections Division** assume the provision regarding the terms of school board members in districts designated as urban districts as a result of the 2000 census will have no impact to the office. Officials with the **Department of Elementary & Secondary Education** indicate the proposal would have no impact to the Department, but expect that two school districts (Columbia & Lee's Summit) could incur insignificant costs as a result of bearing a portion of the general municipal election costs every other year.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u> | FY 2002 (10 Mo.) | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | |
| <u>Cost</u> - Transfers to State School Moneys Fund | (\$750,000) | (\$772,500) | (\$795,675) |
| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | <u>(\$750,000)</u> | <u>(\$772,500)</u> | <u>(\$795,675)</u> |
| STATE SCHOOL MONEYS FUND | | | |
| <u>Income</u> - Increased transfers from General Revenue Fund | \$750,000 | \$772,500 | \$795,675 |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u> | FY 2002 (10 Mo.) | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <u>Cost</u> - Increased distributions to school districts | (\$750,000) | (\$772,500) | (\$795,675) |
| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE SCHOOL MONEYS FUND | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u> | FY 2002 (10 Mo.) | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| SCHOOL DISTRICTS | | | |
| <u>Income</u> - Increased distributions from State School Moneys Fund | \$750,000 | \$772,500 | \$795,675 |
| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS | <u>\$750,000</u> | <u>\$772,500</u> | <u>\$795,675</u> |

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

FUNDING FOR EDUCATION OF DEAF AND BLIND STUDENTS - Section 162.790

This proposal provides that when students eligible to attend the Missouri School for the Deaf or the Missouri School for the Blind instead attend a local school district, that district may bill the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education for excess costs of educating such students which exceed all available federal, state and local revenues and reimbursements, but that reimbursement of the districts shall be subject to appropriation.

URBAN SCHOOL DISTRICTS/SCHOOL BOARDS - Section 162.481

Exempts Columbia 93 School District and Lee's Summit R-VII from a change in school board term otherwise required pursuant to section 162.481, RSMo, upon becoming an "urban school district" as defined in section 160.011, RSMo.

A "seven-director school district" shall also be an "urban school district" if it contains all or the greater part of a city with a population in excess of 70,000 persons. Both Columbia (2000 pop. of

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84,531) and Lee's Summit (2000 pop. of 70,700) have reached the minimum population

threshold by reason of the 2000 federal decennial census (figures were announced in March 2001), and the designation shall become effective for the coming school year.

Under the bill, the school board terms for Columbia and Lee's Summit district shall remain at three years, rather than increasing to six years, as provided for districts which become "urban". Similar language was previously enacted for Springfield, to allow for three-year board member terms.

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 Elementary and Secondary Education
Office of Secretary of State - Elections Division



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