

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. NO.: 0537-01  
BILL NO.: HB 177  
SUBJECT: Employees: Law Enforcement  
TYPE: Original  
DATE: January 3, 2001

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<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 LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Natural Resources** stated that the State Park Rangers currently access the personnel records of new hires as part of the required background check, therefore, officials assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the various divisions within the **Department of Public Safety; the Director's Office, Missouri Highway Patrol, Liquor Control, Fire Safety,** and the **National Guard** each assume there would be no fiscal impact to their respective divisions.

Officials of the **Missouri Department of Conservation, the Jefferson City Police Department** stated there would be no fiscal impact on their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Boone County Sheriff's Department** stated there would be negligible costs associated with this proposal and they foresee little change in the time required to provide records over what is currently expended in answering requests for information.

Officials from the **Columbia Police Department** state there would be minimal costs due to postage and that there might be a possible savings by not hiring an employee that is unfit for police work, by avoiding things such as law suits and legal fees by terminating an employee that should not have been hired in the first place.

**Oversight** assumes state law enforcement departments and law enforcement agencies of local governments would realize some insignificant administrative impact. Oversight assumes any impact realized could be absorbed by the affected law enforcement bodies at their current appropriation levels.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	\$0	\$0	\$0

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

This proposal allows hiring law enforcement agencies to have access to peace officers' personnel records, including records concerning uncompleted disciplinary investigations. The proposal also requires law enforcement agencies to notify the Peace Officers' Standards and Training Commission of any information showing that a peace officer is unfit for certification.

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 Natural Resources  
Department of Public Safety  
    Director's Office  
    Missouri Highway Patrol  
    Liquor Control  
    Fire Safety  
    Missouri National Guard  
Department of Conservation  
Jefferson City Police Department  
Columbia Police Department  
Boone County Sheriff's Department

**NOT RESPONDING:**      **Kansas City Police Department**  
                                 **St. Louis Police Department**  
                                 **Cole County Sheriff's Department**



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