

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
Heirloom Birth Certificate	\$31,733	\$30,726	\$30,568
Heirloom Marriage License	\$252,000	\$252,000	\$252,000
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds*	\$283,733	\$282,726	\$282,568

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
None			
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
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of State Treasurer** the **Department of Social Services - Division of Family Services**, and the **Department of Revenue** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agencies.

Department of Health (DOH) officials assume they would need 1,500 certificates per year. DOH states they would purchase 2,000 of bank stock and envelopes to account for errors and waste. DOH states they would need color toner cartridges, one set per month. A color laser printer would need to be purchased to print the certificates. One clerk typist III would be required to design, set up and maintain the process for issuing these heirloom certificates

Oversight assumes that the additional duties of this proposal could be absorbed with existing staff.

Officials from the **Boone County Recorder of Deeds** stated they could not determine how much revenue would be generated or costs for the certificates.

Oversight also assumes there are approximately 42,000 marriages per year in Missouri (source: Department of Health - Vital Statistics). Oversight assumes that Recorder of Deeds would need 21,000 certificates per year. Oversight assumes that the Recorder of Deeds would purchase supplies at a fifty percent cost of the \$24 certificate fee and remit the remainder to the Heirloom Marriage License Fund.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
HEIRLOOM BIRTH CERTIFICATE FUND			
<u>Income - Department of Health</u>			
Certificate fees	\$36,000	\$36,000	\$36,000
<u>Costs - Department of Health</u>			
Production of certificates	(\$4,267)	(\$5,274)	(\$5,432)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON HEIRLOOM BIRTH CERTIFICATE FUND	<u>\$31,733</u>	<u>\$30,726</u>	<u>\$30,568</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
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HEIRLOOM MARRIAGE LICENSE FUND

<u>Income - Department of Health</u>			
Transfers from Recorder of Deeds	<u>\$252,000</u>	<u>\$252,000</u>	<u>\$252,000</u>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON HEIRLOOM MARRIAGE LICENSE FUND	<u>\$252,000</u>	<u>\$252,000</u>	<u>\$252,000</u>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
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RECORDER OF DEEDS

<u>Income - Recorder of Deeds</u>			
Certificate fees	\$504,000	\$504,000	\$504,000
<u>Costs - Recorder of Deeds</u>	(\$252,000)	(\$252,000)	(\$252,000)
Production costs			
<u>Transfers - Recorder of Deeds</u>			
To Heirloom Marriage Certificate Fund	<u>(\$252,000)</u>	<u>(\$252,000)</u>	<u>(\$252,000)</u>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON RECORDER OF DEEDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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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 would require the State Registrar to issue heirloom birth certificates, upon request and an additional payment of a \$24 fee. The certificate would contain all vital information, would be suitable for display, would bear the seal of the state, and would be signed by the Governor. The \$24 collected would be used to pay for the cost of the certificate. Any moneys

DESCRIPTION (continued)

remaining in excess of the cost would be deposited in the Heirloom Birth Certificate Fund created by the proposal. The excess funds would be appropriated by the General Assembly for certain adoption programs. Moneys in the fund would not to be credited to the General Revenue Fund at the end of the biennium. The proposal would also require recorders of deeds to issue heirloom marriage licenses, upon request and an additional payment of a \$24 fee. The heirloom marriage license would contain the names of the persons on the marriage license that is recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds, would be suitable for display, would bear the seal of the state, and would be signed by the Governor. The \$24 collected would be used to pay for the cost of the license. Any moneys remaining in excess of the cost would be deposited in the Heirloom Marriage License Fund created by the proposal. The excess funds would be appropriated by the General Assembly for the training of foster parents. Moneys in the fund would not to be credited to the General Revenue Fund at the end of the biennium. Heirloom birth certificates and marriage licenses would have the same status as evidence as the original documents.

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 Health
Department of Revenue
Office of State Treasurer
Boone County Recorder of Deeds



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