

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

LR No.: 3496-01
Bill No.: HB 1265
Subject: Elections: Campaign Finance, Phone Banks
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Office of State Court Administrator** assume no fiscal impact to the Courts.

Officials of the **Office of Secretary of State** stated this bill regulates campaign telephone and media advertising, calling for reporting to the Missouri Ethics Commission. The Missouri Ethics Commission may promulgate rules to enact this legislation. These rules may require as many as approximately 8 pages in the Code of State Regulations. These rules would be published in both the Missouri Register and Code of State Regulations. For any given rule, roughly half again as many pages are published in the Missouri Register as in the Code because cost statements, fiscal notes and the like are not repeated in Code. These costs are estimated. The estimated cost of a page in the Missouri Register is \$23. The estimated cost of a page in the Code of State Regulations is \$27. The actual costs could be more.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials of the **Missouri Ethics Commission** stated that the proposed legislation applies to a candidate for any public office. There are over 2500 municipalities in Missouri, over 500 school districts, over 500 ambulance districts, fire districts, water districts, sewer districts and other special purpose districts. The board of directors and council persons being elected annually would be a multiplier of those figures. For example, most school districts elect 2 directors every year, city councils elect 4-5 council persons, special purpose districts elect 2-4 members every year. All 114 counties elect several office holders every two years. Statewide, Missouri House of Representatives, Missouri State Senators are elected every two years. Currently under the provisions of Chapter 105 some of the jurisdictions, not all, file a personal financial disclosure statement with the Missouri Ethics Commission. It requires two FTE's to process these documents. The amount of new forms that would be required by this legislation is equal to if not greater than the number of personal financial disclosure forms received annually by the Missouri Ethics Commission. A minimum of two Reporting Clerks that would be new FTE would be required.

Oversight assumes this proposal would affect a small group of individuals or committees, and would have no fiscal impact to the Missouri Ethics Commission. Oversight assumes that the MEC would need no additional FTE to meet the requirements of this proposal.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	\$0	\$0	\$0

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

This bill requires any individual, acting on his or her own behalf or representing any business or committee other than a candidate or party committee, who purchases print advertising, purchases or causes any matter to be transmitted on a broadcast station, or hires a professional phone bank to make calls regarding or relative to any candidate for public office to fill out and sign a form to be prepared by the Missouri Ethics Commission listing certain information. In addition, the individual must provide notice to the candidate of the broadcast as well as a copy of the printed matter or a transcript of the broadcast matter to the commission and the candidate.

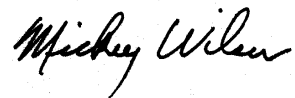
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Secretary of State
Missouri Ethics Commission
Office of State Court Administrator

NOT RESPONDING

Office of Attorney General



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