

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 3836-01
Bill No.: HB 1115
Subject: Agriculture and Animals; Courts; Liability
Type: Original
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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>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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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 from the **Office of State Courts Administrator, Missouri Department of Agriculture**, and the **State Public Defender** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** assume this proposal would not be expected to fiscally impact the operations of the DOH. The DOH states is a fiscal impact were to result, funds to support the program would be sought through the appropriation process.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2005 (6 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2005 (6 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

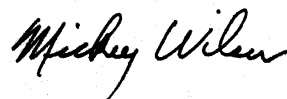
This proposal prohibits civil lawsuits against manufacturers, distributors, and sellers of food for any claims arising out of weight gain, obesity, or other generally known conditions allegedly caused by or allegedly likely to result from long-term consumption of food. Exceptions to this prohibition are provided for certain violations of state and federal law. Rules for pleadings and the procedure for filing a lawsuit pursuant to an exception are set out.

The proposal will become effective on January 1, 2005, and applies to all covered claims pending on or filed after that date.

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 and Senior Services
Office of State Courts Administrator
Missouri Department of Agriculture
State Public Defender



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