COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3926-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1449

<u>Subject</u>: Engineers; Licenses – Motor Vehicle; Revenue Dept.

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 4, 2004

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
Highway Fund	(\$7,796)	\$5,125	\$5,125
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	(\$7,796)	\$5,125	\$5,125

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 All			
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Local Government	\$1,563	\$1,875	\$1,875

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials with the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume this proposal could have fiscal impact on their agency. The **DOR- Division of Motor Vehicle and Drivers Bureau (DVSB)** cannot determine the exact number of plates that will be issued as a result of this legislation. Therefore, the revenue impact is based on the issuance of 500 plates. If the volume of applications for this plate type substantially exceeds 500, the department may require additional appropriations. There is a \$15 application fee for this plate and a \$25 emblem use contribution to be paid to the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers.

FY 05 (10 months) Income

417 plates issued* \$15 plate fee \$6,251

FY 06 Income

500 plates issued* \$15 plate fee \$7,500

FY 07 Income

500 plates issued * \$15 plate fee \$7,500

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

According to the Missouri Constitution, this revenue is to be dispersed in the following manner:

State Road Fund 75% Cities 15% Counties 10%

DVSB notes that prior to 2002, specialty plates were developed, designed and provided to the DOR by the Missouri Vocational Enterprises. The Missouri Vocational Enterprises recently contracted with a vendor to now provide ALL Missouri specialty plates. The costs will be shown for all specialty license plate bills accordingly.

This contract requires DOR to pay:

- -\$250 new plate design set-up fee (if applicable)
- -\$50 per modification for a new plate design (if applicable)
- -\$80 per revision to existing plate designs (if applicable)
- -\$4.50 per plate for freight shipping to DOR

DOR further assumes their agency could incur cost for processing, procedures, mailings to agencies, plates, tabs and storage at the State Data Center.

Officials with the **DOR- Information and Technology Bureau (ITB)** assume that implementing this proposal could require their current staff to provide 180 overtime programming hours to modify the special plate reservation program, the renewal pull program for fees and the Uniform Field Office System.

FY 05- Cost

Form changes and Envelopes	\$693
Postage and extra to agencies	\$3,376
Plate and Tab cost	\$3,120
Storage at State Data Center	\$500
Processing Salaries	\$574
Programming Salaries	\$4,221
Total	\$12,484

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

FY 06 Cost

Storage at State Data Center \$500

FY 07 Cost

Storage at State Data Center \$500

To implement this legislation, the DOR could require additional funds. In the past, the programs included in this legislation have been paid for with highway funds. This year, however, highway funds may not be available for this purpose as a result of legislation enacted by the General Assembly in 2000 that limits the use of highway funds.

This limitation is found in Section 226.200.3, RSMo. It places a cap on the highway funding available to state departments other than the Department of Transportation. The total amount of highway funds appropriated to these other state departments (including the DOR) cannot exceed the total amount of their fiscal year 2001 highway appropriations. This cap limits the highway funds that will be available for the implementation of this legislation.

If highway funds are not available, then another source of funding must be identified to pay for the cost of implementing this legislation.

This proposal could increase state revenue through plate fees.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
HIGHWAY FUND	(10 Mio.)		
Income-Department of Revenue			
License Plate Fee	\$4,688	\$5,625	\$5,625
Cost-Department of Revenue			
Forms and Postage	(\$4,069)	\$0	\$0
Processing/Programming salaries	(\$4,795)	\$0	\$0
Storage	(\$500)	(\$500)	(\$500)
Plates and Tabs	(\$3,120)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Total Cost-DOR</u>	(\$12,484)	<u>(\$500)</u>	<u>(\$500)</u>
NET ESTIMATED EFFECT ON			
HIGHWAY FUND	<u>(\$7,796)</u>	<u>\$5,125</u>	\$5,125

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NET ESTIMATED EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS	<u>\$1,563</u>	<u>\$1,875</u>	<u>\$1,875</u>
Income-Counties License Plate Fee	<u>\$625</u>	<u>\$750</u>	<u>\$750</u>
Income-Cities License Plate Fee	\$938	\$1,125	\$1,125
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

This act allows any vehicle owner that is a member of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers to obtain special license plates after making a \$25 annual emblem-use authorization payment. This special license shall bear the emblem of the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers, be made of fully reflective material with a common color scheme, be clearly visible at night, and be aesthetically attractive. Any contribution to the Missouri Society of Professional Engineers derived from this act, except reasonable administrative costs, must be used solely for the Society's educational fund.

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

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