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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4040-01
Bill No.: HB 1226
Subject: Emergencies; Health Care; Health Department; Health, Public
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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 **Department of Public Safety** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

Officials from the **Greene County Sheriff** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials from the **Kansas City Police Department, St. Louis County Police Department** and the **Taney County Ambulance District** did not respond to our fiscal note request. **Oversight** assumes no fiscal impact for these political subdivisions.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** assume the cost is unknown at this time for two reasons. 1) There are 38,100 licensed first responders in Missouri and an unknown number of unlicensed volunteers (volunteer/rural fire districts, Red Cross, etc.), therefore it is not possible to estimate the number of first responders who would be vaccinated. 2) The amount of federal funding that may become available for vaccinations is dependant on the Federal Budget appropriation. DOH would submit a request through the appropriation process for the amount of federal funding available for this program. DOH states there is currently no General Revenue cost. If DOH later determined additional General Revenue costs would be

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incurred, a request would be submitted through the appropriation process.

Oversight assumes that this program will not become effective unless the DOH receives federal funds.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2005	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 requires the Department of Health and Senior Services to offer a vaccination program for first responders who may be exposed to infectious diseases when deployed to disaster locations as a result of a bioterrorism event or a suspected bioterrorism event.

The proposal lists the vaccinations that must be offered to first responders. Participation in the vaccination program is voluntary for some first responders, except responders identified by their employers who cannot safely perform their emergency responsibilities without the vaccination. The proposal requires the recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control to be followed when screening first responders for contraindications to the vaccination. First responders will be exempt from vaccinations when medically contraindicated.

The department must give priority to first responders and persons exposed to biological agents if there is a shortage of a vaccine. Educational material regarding ways to prevent exposure must also be provided to first responders. The department may contract with other entities for the administration of vaccinations. The program will become effective upon receipt of federal funds.

The proposal contains an emergency clause.

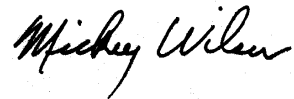
DESCRIPTION (continued)

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 Public Safety
Greene County Sheriff
Department of Health and Senior Services

NOT RESPONDING: Kansas City Police Department, St. Louis County Police Department and the Taney County Ambulance District



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