COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4353-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1318

Subject: Children and Minors; Health Dept.; Health, Public

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 22, 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	
Insurance Dedicated	\$2,000	\$0	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$2,000	\$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 Mental Health**, **Department of Social Services**, **Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan**, and **Missouri Department of Conservation** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol** defer to the Missouri Department of Transportation for response regarding the fiscal impact of the proposal on their organization.

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Transportation (DOT)** state the proposal will have no fiscal impact on the MHTC/DOT or on the Highway and Patrol Medical Plan.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** state currently the DOH follows the Centers For Disease Control (CDC) guidelines, which includes testing from six months of age to under six years old. Specimens of children from birth to 6 months in high-risk areas will most likely be sent to other laboratories, not the State Public Health Laboratory. Any increase in revenue and cost based on this change would be negligible.

Officials from the **Department of Insurance (INS)** state the INS has 160 insurers and HMOs that would be required to comply with the proposal. Policy amendments must be submitted to ASSUMPTION (continued)

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the INS for review along with a \$50 filing fee. A number of insurer's policies have language that defers to the statute section revised by the proposal to define the persons to which the insurance offer applies. The INS estimates that only a small portion of the insurers would need to amend their policies. One-time additional revenues to the Insurance Dedicated Fund are estimated to be \$2,000.

This proposal will result in an increase in Total State Revenue.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
INSURANCE DEDICATED FUND			
Income - Department of Insurance Form filing fees	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON INSURANCE DEDICATED FUND	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2005 (10 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 changes the laws regarding lead testing in children.

Currently, the Department of Health and Senior Services is required to identify geographic areas in Missouri that are at high risk for lead poisoning. All children who are six months of age through six years of age who reside more than 10 hours a week in these areas are required to be tested annually by the department for lead poisoning. In addition, children six months of age through six years of age who do not reside more than 10 hours a week in the high-risk areas are required to be assessed through an annual questionnaire by the department to determine if they

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DESCRIPTION (continued)

are at high risk for lead poisoning. The proposal changes the age requirement to apply to all children less than six years of age.

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 Mental Health
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services
Missouri Department of Transportation
Department of Public Safety Missouri State Highway Patrol
Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan
Department of Insurance
Missouri Department of Conservation

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