# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4431-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1459

Subject: Disabilities; Television

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 19, 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 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

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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	
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

# **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations** and the **Department of Social Services** assume this bill requires TV stations to provide captioning for hearing-impaired Missourians for all local news, weather, and sports broadcasts. There is no fiscal impact to their agencies.

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

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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Small businesses that are televison stations would be expected to be fiscally impacted to the extent that they would incur additional costs to comply with this proposal.

### **DESCRIPTION**

This proposal requires all television stations in Missouri to provide real-time captioning of all local news, weather, and sports programming by January 1, 2006. The use of electronic newsroom technology is not a sufficient method by which these captioning services can be provided. Any television station that would have to spend more than 2% of its annual gross income in order to comply with these requirements is exempt from doing so.

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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