

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4882-01
Bill No.: HB 1644
Subject: Counties; Courts
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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 Natural Resources** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator (CTS)** state the proposed legislation would allow Jefferson County to establish a municipal court to prosecute ordinance violations. The court would have jurisdiction over county ordinances and municipal ordinances if the municipality contracts with the court to prosecute municipal violations. The county may adopt orders with penal provisions consistent with state law but only in the areas of traffic violations, solid waste management, and animal control.

CTS states ordinance violations are the least time consuming in terms of clerical workload, so we would not anticipate a significant decrease in the workload of the circuit court. CTS is unable, at this time, to estimate the impact on the costs and fees assessed in each case. At present, clerk fees are not assessed in county ordinance cases. Court fees would be assessed depending on each individual statute.

CTS does not anticipate any significant cost or savings to the state as a result of this proposal.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from **Jefferson County** did not respond to our fiscal note request. **Oversight** assumes this proposal is permissive and would have no fiscal impact unless the governing body of Jefferson County would establish a county municipal court to prosecute certain ordinance violations.

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

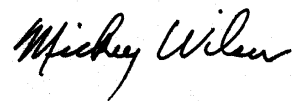
This proposal allows Jefferson County to establish county municipal courts and to adopt orders with penal provisions in the areas of traffic violations, solid waste management, and animal control.

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

Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Natural Resources

NOT RESPONDING: Jefferson County



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