COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0505-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HJR 8

Subject: Agriculture and Animals; Constitutional Amendments

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: January 27, 2005

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
General Revenue	\$0	(\$19,335)	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	(\$19,335)	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</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 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTIONS

Officials from the **Department of Conservation** assume the proposal would have no fiscal impact to their organization.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** assume the proposal would submit to the voters a constitutional amendment requiring approval by a two-thirds majority on initiative proposals relating to harvesting bird, fish, or wildlife resources. This bill may result in the Department of Conservation promulgating rules to implement this legislation. These rules would be published in the Missouri Register and the Code of State Regulations. Based on experience with other divisions, the rules, regulations and forms issued by the Department of Conservation could result in as many as 22 pages in the Code of State Regulations. The estimated cost of a page in the Code of State Regulations is \$27. For any given rule, roughly half again as many pages are published in the Missouri Register as in the Code because cost statements, fiscal notes and the like are not repeated in the Code. The estimated cost of a page in the Missouri Register is \$23. The impact of this legislation in future years is unknown and depends upon the frequency and length of rules, filed, amended, rescinded, or withdrawn. $((22 \times \$27) + (33 \times \$23) = \$1,353.)$

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ASSUMPTIONS (continued)

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** (SOS) assume the proposal would require statewide newspaper publication at a cost of approximately \$1,289 per column inch based on estimate provided by the Missouri Press Service x 3 for multiple printings as required by the Constitution and state statute = \$3,867 per column inch. SOS estimates the total number of inches for this amendment would be 5 inches including title header and certification paragraph. These costs are based on 2004 figures and are subject to change. (\$3,867 x 5 inches = \$19,335)

Oversight assumes the election called for in the proposal would be held in November 2006, the first general election after the effective date of the proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	,		
Cost - Secretary of State	Ф.О.	(#10.225)	Φ.Ο.
Newspaper Advertisements	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$19,335)</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$0</u>	(\$19,335)	<u>\$0</u>
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$\psi \psi\$</u>	<u>(#17,333)</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
	(10 Mo.)		
	<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.

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DESCRIPTION

This proposal would propose a constitutional amendment requiring two-thirds vote on initiative proposals relating to harvesting bird, fish, or wildlife resources.

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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