COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 1141-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 585

Subject: Certificate of Need; Health Care; Nursing and Boarding Homes

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 21, 2005

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
General Revenue	(Less than \$554,000)	(Less than \$554,000)	(Less than \$554,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(Less than \$554,000)	(Less than \$554,000)	(Less than \$554,000)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health (DMH)** state that state-operated long term care facilities are exempted from review certification. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact to the DMH.

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** state costs which may arise from this proposal are unknown. The AGO represents the Certificate of Need Board and, because of changes in definition, there may be an increase in litigation. AGO assumes costs are unknown but less than \$100,000.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services (DOS)** assume the cost impact would be to the hospital program and is unknown. Hospitals are paid on a per diem rate for each day that the recipient is in the hospital. A new facility is paid either the Medicare per diem rate or 90% of the weighted average statewide per diem rate for the first three years of operation. In the fourth year of operation they are given a prospective per diem rate based off of their fourth prior year cost report. With the addition of new hospitals, existing hospitals would lose patient days as individuals may go to the new hospital instead of the existing hospitals. The cost to the state could either be more or less depending on the rate the new hospital is receiving versus the rate the existing hospital is receiving. The cost increase for capital would not be reflected until the

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hospital receives their prospective per diem rate using their fourth prior year cost report which would not be expected to happen until FY 10.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** state the effect of the removal of the certificate of need process for health care services and health care facilities is unknown but greater than \$100,000. DOH states there is an indeterminate fiscal impact, which could result from additional costs or from cost savings due to future impact regarding the number of health care services or health care facilities requiring licensure, inspection and/or complaint investigations.

In similar notes from the previous sessions, DOH stated the proposal would not be expected to significantly impact the operations of the DOH. If the proposal were to substantially impact any DOH programs, the DOH would request funding through the legislative process.

Officials from the **Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee (MHFRC)** states this proposal would result in a loss of certificate of need application fees which go into General Revenue. MHFRC states there would be no oversight of new hospitals or the acquistion of major medical equipment.

MHFRC states in In FY 04, \$404,702 was received in application fees for new or replacement major medical equipment and construction of new hospitals. MHFRC states for FY 05 to date (seven months), \$355,070 was received in application fees. Annualizing this amount results in \$608,692 for the entire fiscal year. However, MHFRC has taken a more conservative approach and project closer to \$450,000 in application fees for FY 05 for these types of projects. All application fees go into General Revenue, therefore, there would be a loss to General Revenue of \$450,000 annually.

MHFRC states §197.305(8) references two exceptions to long term care review. MHFRC states it is difficult to estimate the impact of the exception to exclude "facilities of not-for-profit corporations in existence on October 1, 1980" since MHFRC does not know the corporate status of such facilities.

MHFRC states the second exception in that section excludes "any residential care facility I or residential care facility II operated by a religious organization qualified pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) . . . which does not require the expenditure of public funds . . . with a total licensed bed capacity of one hundred beds or less." Based on previous experience with religious considerations, MHFRC has estimated that approximately 120 additional residential care facility I or II beds would be added to the statewide inventory annually. Since these types of applications

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would be exempt from Certificate of Need review, there would be a loss of about \$4,000 in application fees.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
GENERAL REVENUE			
Revenues–Missouri Health Facilities Review Committee			
Reduction in application fees	(\$454,000)	(\$454,000)	(\$454,000)
Costs - Office of Attorney General Litigation costs	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE	(Less than \$554,000)	(Less than \$554,000)	(Less than \$554,000)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<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 bill defines "long-term care facilities" for purposes of the Certificate of Need Program and limits application of certificate of need requirements to long-term care facilities. Currently, certificate of need requirements apply to a broader range of health care facilities, including hospitals and long-term care facilities.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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