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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1377-02
Bill No.: HCS for HB 462 & 463
Subject: Health Care; Liability; Mental Health; Mental Health Department
Type: Original
Date: March 11, 2005

FISCAL SUMMARY

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

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol**, the **Office of State Courts Administrator**, the **Department of Social Services**, the **Department of Economic Development - Division of Professional Registration**, the **Department of Health and Senior Services**, the **Department of Corrections**, the **Missouri House of Representatives**, the **Coordinating Board of Higher Education**, the **Missouri Senate**, the **Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan**, the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education**, and the **Department of Mental Health** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agencies.

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assume that this proposal would have a positive, but limited fiscal impact. AGO states Section 537.037.3 states that if certain state employees render suicide prevention interventions, they are not liable for civil damages. Thus, these employees are exempt from the Legal Expense Fund coverage that would normally apply under these rare occurrences.

AGO states with respect to the release of confidential information relating to individuals, AGO assumes that because this proposal does not greatly expand the authority of state agencies to ASSUMPTION (continued)

release otherwise protected information. Therefore, this proposal would create minimal costs that can be absorbed with existing resources.

Officials from the **Jefferson City Police Department, the Boone County Fire Protection District, and the Springfield Police Department** assume there would be no fiscal impact as a result of this proposal.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	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 proposal includes suicide prevention intervention rendered in good faith at the scene of a threatened suicide by a mental health professional, substance abuse counselor, or other person who has been trained to provide suicide prevention interventions to the list of care or services rendered in an emergency situation that are immune from civil liability.

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

This proposal establishes the Suicide Prevention Advisory Committee within the Department of Mental Health. The Committee will be comprised of eighteen members.

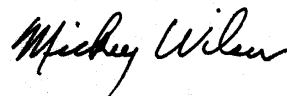
The Department of Mental Health, in consultation with the Department of Health and Senior Services, will seek funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to participate in the National Violent Death Reporting System. If funding is not available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Department of Mental Health in consultation with the
DESCRIPTION (continued)

Department of Health and Senior Services, subject to appropriation, will develop a state-based reporting system based on the National Violent Death Reporting System.

These provisions sunset six years after the effective date of the proposal unless reauthorized by the General Assembly.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of Attorney General
Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Economic Development
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Department of Mental Health
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services
Department of Public Safety -
 Missouri State Highway Patrol
Missouri House of Representatives
Missouri Senate
Department of Corrections
Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan
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Boone County Fire Department
Jefferson City Police Department
Springfield Police Department



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