

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

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Bill No.: HB 855  
Subject: Economic Development Dept.; Dentists; Education, Higher  
Type: Original  
Date: April 5, 2005

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

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

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

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
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>(Unknown exceeding \$600,000)</b>	<b>(Unknown exceeding \$550,000)</b>	<b>(Unknown exceeding \$550,000)</b>

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Higher Education** and **Southwest Missouri State University** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **Department of Economic Development - Division of Professional Registration (DED-PR)** state having reviewed the proposed legislation and having sought the conclusion of the appropriate board(s), they are of the opinion the proposal, in its present form, will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Officials from **Missouri Western State College** stated if contracted, this type of program is relatively expensive to implement, both in terms of locating and hiring of faculty. **Oversight** notes Missouri Western did not provide any additional information relating to the potential cost of implementing a distant dental hygienist education program.

Officials from the **Kansas City Metro Colleges** state, assuming there would be no equipment or facility costs, the proposal would require start-up costs of approximately \$50,000 per site and would also require on-going support in excess of the revenues generated by the program of between \$50,000 and \$75,000 per year per site. Depending on demand, one, maybe two sites could be set up in the Kansas City area.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from **Missouri Southern State University (Missouri Southern)** state in June 2003, the Missouri Dental Association (MDA) convened a special meeting of the Dental Hygiene Program educators to discuss their concern about access to dental hygiene services throughout the state. Missouri Southern agreed to move forward to develop distance programs and in January 2004, the Missouri Dental Association Foundation donated \$25,000 to assist Missouri Southern in the preliminary development of these programs.

Since this initial commitment, Missouri Southern faculty have been preparing to deliver the dental hygiene curriculum by Instructional TV (ITV) and Internet with the clinical instruction provided at the offsite locations. Missouri Southern secured a Congressional direct grant of approximately \$1 million for the one-time equipment costs for two off site clinics. This grant must be spent between May 2005 and April 2006. It is critical that Missouri Southern secure appropriations for recurring expenses to operation these two programs on an annual basis beginning with the 2006 fiscal year. If funds are not secured for the recurring costs of the State of Missouri, its citizens will loose the million dollar grant for increasing access to preventative oral health services. If funds are secured, it is feasible to have these two sites accept their first group of qualified students by the Fall 2006.

These two off-site clinics were identified using the 2002 Missouri Dental Board license renewal data to identify areas of the state with the greatest need of preventative oral health services. The two sites being targeted are the Central and Northeast regions of the state.

The recurring costs for operations of these two clinical sites is projected to be around \$500,000 annually.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2006  
 (10 Mo.)

FY 2007

FY 2008

**COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

Costs - Colleges and Universities

Creation and operation of distant dental  
 hygienist education programs

(Unknown  
exceeding  
\$600,000)

(Unknown  
exceeding  
\$550,000)

(Unknown  
exceeding  
\$550,000)

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON  
 COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

(Unknown  
exceeding  
\$600,000)

(Unknown  
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\$550,000)

(Unknown  
exceeding  
\$550,000)

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal may fiscally impact small business dentist offices that participate in the distant dental hygienist programs.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal authorizes the Department of Economic Development to contract with an institution of higher education to establish a distant dental hygienist learning program for the purpose of off-site clinical and didactic training. The program must meet all standards established by the Council on Dental Accreditation.

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

Department of Higher Education  
 Department of Economic Development -  
     Division of Professional Registration  
 Kansas City Metro Colleges  
 Missouri Southern State University  
 Missouri Western State College  
 Southwest Missouri State University

SOURCES OF INFORMATION (continued)

**NOT RESPONDING: Central Missouri State University, Harris-Stowe State College, Lincoln University, Southeast Missouri State University, St. Charles Community College, Truman State University, and University of Missouri**

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Director  
April 5, 2005