COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3970-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1200

Subject: Elderly; Retirement Systems and Benefits - General; Revenue Department

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: April 18, 2006

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
General Revenue	\$0	(\$11,000,000)	(\$11,000,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	(\$11,000,000)	(\$11,000,000)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
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 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 1649), officials of the Public School and Non-teacher School Employee Retirement Systems of Missouri, the Firemen's Retirement System of St. Louis, Kansas City Police Retirement, the Sheriffs' Retirement System, the Police Retirement System of St. Louis, the Public School Retirement System of the School District of Kansas City, LAGERS, and the County Employees' Retirement System each assumed the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials of the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** state they would expand the instructions for the pension exemption worksheet. This along with the "65 and over" check box will allow the MINITS system to verify and edit. DOR assumes no FTE would be needed.

DOR states this proposal will require modifications to the infividual income tax systems. Taxation estimate these modifications will require MINITS programming costs of \$46,170. DOR proposes to cover these costs with current IT staff. DOR states that effective July 1, 2006, DOR's IT staff will be moved to OA pursuant to a consolidation, but DOR has no reason to believe this transfer will limit their ability to absorb these costs. In the event multiple new credits/deductions are passed, this cost could exceed current appropriations levels and result in additional funds being requested.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

Officials of the **Office of Administration, Division of Budget and Planning (BAP)** assume there would be no added cost to their office as a result of this proposal. BAP states the proposal allows a full \$6,000 retirement benefit deduction regardless of income for qualifying taxpayers. BAP notes this proposal will lower General and Total State Revenues, but defers to UM-EPARC for an estimate of the impact of this proposal.

Officials from the **University of Missouri - Economic and Policy Analysis Research Center (MU)** state in this proposal, the individual taxpayer would be permitted to deduct up to \$6,000 from retirement and pension income if 65 years or older. Correspondingly, joint filers would deduct up to \$12,000 per combined return. The existing law has means testing in order to obtain the deduction to pension income. MU states that gross tax receipts are predicted to fall by \$11 million if the proposal is adopted.

This legislation will decrease Total State Revenues.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2007 (6 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Loss</u> - General Revenue Pension Exemptions (65 yrs and older)	\$0	(\$11,000,000)	(\$11,000,000)
TOTAL ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$11,000,000)</u>	(\$11,000,000)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2007 (6 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<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

Currently, public and private entity retirees may deduct up to \$6,000 of pension allowances received each year if their income is not in excess of \$32,000 for married or \$25,000 for single taxpayers. This bill removes the income limitation when a taxpayer reaches 65 years of age, allowing up to \$6,000 of retirement benefits to be deducted from state income tax regardless of income.

The bill has an effective date of January 1, 2007.

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 Revenue
Office of Administration - Budget and Planning
University of Missouri
Economic and Policy Analysis Research Center
Public School and Non-Teacher School Employee Retirement Systems of Missouri
Firemen's Retirement System of St. Louis
Kansas City Police Retirement
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