COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4987-02 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1763

Subject: Workers' Compensation.

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 6, 2006

FISCAL SUMMARY

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

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

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** (SOS) stated that many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$1,500. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, we also recognize that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what our office can sustain with our core budget. Therefore, we reserve the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

Officials from the Department of Health and Senior Services, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Department of Insurance, the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, and the Office of Administration, Division of General Services, Risk Management Section, assume this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

In response to a similar proposal, officials from the **Department of Social Services** and the **Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan** assume this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2007 (10 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.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal would specify that the determination of usual and customary fees for care in workers' compensation cases would be based on comparable volume based discount contracts of the health care provider. The Division of Workers' Compensation or the Labor and Industrial Relations Commission would have jurisdiction to hear and determine all disputes as to such fees. A medical fee dispute application would be filed with the Division or the Commission within two years from the date of the most recent medical service.

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

Office of the Secretary of State
Office of Administration
Division of General Services
Risk Management Section
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Insurance
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

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