COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 5644-02 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 2090

Subject: Elections: Interstate Compact

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: April 24, 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 of the Office of the Secretary of State - Elections Division assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the Kansas City Board of Election Commission assume no fiscal impact.

Oversight sent response request to the St. Louis City, St. Louis County, Jackson County Board of Election Commissions and to other election authorities and have not received their response.

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>

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This bill authorizes Missouri to enter into an interstate agreement known as the Agreement Among the States to Elect the President by National Popular Vote Act. Currently, electors to the Electoral College typically favor the presidential candidate receiving the majority of their state's popular vote for president. The state agreement requires the chief election official of each state to designate electors to the Electoral College that will vote in favor of the presidential slate receiving a majority of the votes cast nationwide. Methods for ensuring the accuracy of the national popular vote are specified. The agreement will take effect on July 20 of the year in which it becomes effective in those states or districts that have a majority of electoral votes in the Electoral College.

Interstate agreements are typically binding on the states involved and generally supercede both statutes and state constitutional law; however, this agreement allows any state to withdraw by a simple repeal of the enacting statute. A state cannot withdraw from the agreement during the six months before a presidential election. In the case of the abolition of the Electoral College, the compact would be void. Because the states have autonomy to choose electors to the Electoral College, the agreement is not a compact and does not require congressional approval to become effective.

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

Office of the Secretary of State - Election Division Kansas City Board of Election Commission

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