

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1931-05  
Bill No.: HCS for HB 811  
Subject: Liability; Property, Real and Personal; Utilities  
Type: Original  
Date: March 9, 2007

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Bill Summary: Allows an electric utility to trim, remove, or control trees and other vegetation without trespassing on realty.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND                          |            |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED   | FY 2008    | FY 2009    | FY 2010    |
|   |            |            |            |
|   |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on<br/>General Revenue<br/>Fund</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS                             |            |            |            |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED   | FY 2008    | FY 2009    | FY 2010    |
|   |            |            |            |
|   |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on <u>Other</u><br/>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 2008    | FY 2009    | FY 2010    |
|   |            |            |            |
|   |            |            |            |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on <u>All</u><br/>Federal Funds</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) |          |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
| FUND AFFECTED                                      | FY 2008  | FY 2009  | FY 2010  |
|  |          |          |          |
|  |          |          |          |
| <b>Total Estimated<br/>Net Effect on<br/>FTE</b>   | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |

☐ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).

☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS |            |            |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| FUND AFFECTED                       | FY 2008    | FY 2009    | FY 2010    |
| <b>Local Government</b>             | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> |

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator, Department of Economic Development (DED) - Office of Public Council, DED - Public Service Commission, Department of Natural Resources, Missouri Department of Conservation, and City of Kansas City** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **City of Centralia** assume the proposal would have no impact on their organization. However, officials assume "lines" still mean transmission and distribution lines. If the proposal is intended to include customer service lines, the cost is not calculable (probably in the high tens of thousands of dollars per year) as it would require utilities to trim trees on property anywhere near a service line, whether in the easement, or not.

Officials from the **City of West Plains** assume the proposal would have a small, insignificant positive fiscal impact by reducing power outages. However, it depends on the outage and how extensive the outage.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u> | FY 2008<br>(10 Mo.) | FY 2009    | FY 2010    |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
|   | <u>\$0</u>          | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u> | FY 2008<br>(10 Mo.) | FY 2009    | FY 2010    |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
|   | <u>\$0</u>          | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses may be impacted by this proposal if utility companies contract out for trimming, removal, or control of other vegetation.

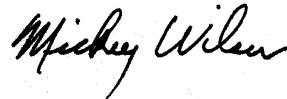
### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

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 State Courts Administrator  
Department of Economic Development -  
Office of Public Council  
Public Service Commission  
Department of Natural Resources  
Missouri Department of Conservation  
City of Centralia  
City of Kansas City  
City of West Plains



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