

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 2497-01  
Bill No.: HJR 26  
Subject: Agriculture Dept.; Conservation Dept.; Constitutional Amendments  
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Bill Summary: Places Cervidae livestock, including whitetail deer within the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
General Revenue	(\$23,842)	(\$47,898)	(\$49,327)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>(\$23,842)</b>	<b>(\$47,898)</b>	<b>(\$49,327)</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
Missouri Conservation Commission Fund	\$0	More than \$100,000	Over \$100,000
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>More than \$100,000</b>	<b>Over \$100,000</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
General Revenue	1	1	1
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</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).

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

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## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Revenue** assume no fiscal impact to their agency.

Officials from the **Department of Agriculture (MDA)** assume this proposal will require the Department of Agriculture, Division of Animal Health to adopt regulations for the movement of whitetail deer. It will require the department to complete herd inventories/reviews on an annual basis.

To place Cervidae livestock, including whitetail deer within the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture, it will require a Senior Office Support Assistant to develop procedures to maintain annual herd inspections and inventories. This individual will be required to work with herd owners, state and federal employees, and other states on issues concerning the movement of such animals into and within Missouri.

Officials from the **Department of Conservation(MDC)** assume the Department, consistent with its constitutional mandate, has authority over captive wildlife - ranging from black bears to venomous snakes to white-tailed deer. Today, over 300 individuals (i.e., hunting preserves and wildlife breeders) hold captive white-tailed deer under Department permits. Actions to regulate captive white-tailed deer are critical components in protecting and managing Missouri's free-ranging white-tailed deer herd - a resource (counting hunting activity alone) that generates \$445 million dollars of business activity annually in Missouri.

Regulating and permitting of captive white-tailed deer is focused to minimize impacts to Missouri's valuable free-ranging wildlife resources, ensure appropriate confinement standards/facilities, address potential disease issues, and regulate hunting of captive wildlife. Current costs to the Conservation Commission Fund, while currently offset to a limited extent by permit fees, exceeds \$100,000 annually. As the proposed legislation is drafted, it is presumed annual staff time and program administration ranging from permitting to compliance/records checks to herd inventory to enforcement efforts would be shifted to the Department of Agriculture and covered by General Revenue Funds.

Officials from the **Secretary of State's Office** assume most joint resolutions are considered by the General Assembly that would require the Secretary of State's office to pay for publishing in local newspapers the full text of each statewide ballot measure as directed by Article XII, Section 2(b) of the Missouri Constitution and Section 116.230-116.290, RSMo. The Secretary of State's office is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. Funding for this item is adjusted each year

ASSUMPTION (continued)

depending upon the election cycle with \$1.6 million historically appropriated in even numbered fiscal years and \$100,000 appropriated in odd numbered fiscal years to meet these requirements. The appropriation has historically been an estimated appropriation because the final cost is dependent upon the number of ballot measures approved by the General Assembly and the initiative petitions certified for the ballot. In FY 2007, at the August and November elections, there were 6 statewide Constitutional Amendments or ballot propositions that cost \$1.2 million to publish (an average of \$193,000 per issue). Therefore, the Secretary of State's Office assumes, for the purposes of this fiscal note, that it should have the full appropriation authority it needs to meet the publishing requirements. However, because these requirements are mandatory, we reserve the right to required funding to meet the cost of our publishing requirements if the Governor and the General Assembly change the amount or eliminate the estimated nature of our appropriation.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2008 (6 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
<b>GENERAL REVENUE</b>			
<u>Cost - Department of Agriculture</u>			
Salaries (1 FTE)	(\$12,317)	(\$25,372)	(\$26,134)
Fringe Benefits	(\$5,567)	(\$11,483)	(\$11,828)
Equipment & Expense	<u>(\$5,958)</u>	<u>(\$11,043)</u>	<u>(\$11,365)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE</b>	<b><u>(\$23,842)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$47,898)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$49,327)</u></b>
Estimated Net FTE Change for General Revenue	1	1	1
<b>MISSOURI CONSERVATION COMMISSION FUND</b>			
<u>Savings - Department of Conservation</u>			
Big Game Hunting Preserves & Breeder Operations	<u>\$0</u>	<u>More than \$100,000</u>	<u>More than \$100,000</u>

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON  
MISSOURI CONSERVATION  
COMMISSION FUND**

	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>More than</b></u> <u><b>\$100,000</b></u>	<u><b>More than</b></u> <u><b>\$100,000</b></u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

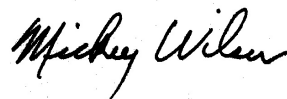
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation places Cervadie livestock, including whitetail deer within the jurisdiction of the Department of Agriculture and may have a cost on General Revenue and Conservation Funds.

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

Secretary of State's Office  
Department of Revenue  
Department of Agriculture  
Department of Conservation



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