# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.:</u> 3209-01 <u>Bill No.:</u> HB 1539

Subject: Courts; Evidence; Newspapers and Publications; Television

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 10, 2008

Bill Summary: The proposal provides that certain persons shall not be required to disclose

news sources or information.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
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 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)					
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2009 FY 2010 FY			
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0		

- ☐ 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 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Office of Administration – Administrative Hearing Commission** and the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations** assume the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agencies.

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation would have no fiscal impact on the courts.

Officials from the **Office of the Governor** did not respond to Oversight's request for fiscal impact. However, in response to a similar proposal from the 2007 Session (HB 774, LR # 1699-01), officials assumed the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agency.

Officials from the **Office of the Attorney General (AGO)** did not respond to Oversight's request for fiscal impact. However, in response to a similar proposal from the 2007 Session (HCS for HB 774, LR # 1699-02), officials assumed a relatively small number of cases the AGO handles in federal or state court would be impacted by this legislation. To the extent the AGO does have cases that are impacted, AGO assumes any additional costs incurred in discovery or pursuant to special hearings on whether the privilege may be divested can be absorbed within existing resources.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<u>\$0</u>	<u><b>\$0</b></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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# **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 the Attorney General
Office of the Governor
Office of Administration
— Administrative Hearing Commission
Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

### **NOT RESPONDING**

Office of the Attorney General Office of the Governor

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