COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3774-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1411

Subject: Firearms and Fireworks; Crimes and Punishment

Type: Original Date: April 7, 2008

Bill Summary: The proposal changes the crime of unlawful possession of a concealable

firearm to unlawful possession of a firearm.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
General Revenue	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)
Total Estimated Net Effect on			
General Revenue Fund	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)

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 2010	FY 2011
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
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety** – **Director's Office**, – **Missouri State Highway Patrol, Boone County Sheriff's Department**, and the **Springfield Police Department** 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 **Department of Corrections (DOC)** assume by broadening the term, more arrests and convictions are possible. In FY 07, DOC had 8 openings for the current definition of the crime. The average time served is 11 months. Although the fiscal impact for the DOC is Unknown, it has the potential to exceed \$100,000 per annum.

Officials from the **Office of the State Public Defender (SPD)** assume increasing penalties on existing crimes, or creating new crimes, will require more SPD resources. While the number of new cases (or cases with increased penalties) may be too few or uncertain to request additional appropriations for this specific bill, the SPD will continue to request sufficient appropriations to provide competent and effective representation in all its cases.

Oversight assumes the Office of the State Public Defender (SPD) could absorb the costs of the proposed legislation within existing resources. Oversight assumes any significant increase in the workload of the SPD would be reflected in future budget requests.

Officials from the Office of Prosecution Services, Greene County Sheriff's Department, Jackson County Sheriff's Department, St. Louis County Police Department, Columbia Police Department, Kansas City Police Department, and the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department did not respond to Oversight's request for fiscal impact.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Costs</u> – Department of Corrections Incarceration/probation costs	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)	(More than \$100,000)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<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.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation changes the crime of unlawful possession of a concealable firearm to unlawful possession of a firearm. The proposal also removes the requirement that a felony conviction be for a dangerous offense in order to make possession of a firearm illegal.

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 State Courts Administrator Department of Corrections Department of Public Safety

- Director's Office
- Missouri State Highway Patrol

Office of the State Public Defender Boone County Sheriff's Department Springfield Police Department

NOT RESPONDING

Office of Prosecution Services
Greene County Sheriff's Department
Jackson County Sheriff's Department
St. Louis County Police Department
Columbia Police Department
Kansas City Police Department
St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department

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