# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

## **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3794-02 Bill No.: HB 1578

Subject: Fire Protection; Boards, Commissions, Committees, Councils

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: March 15, 2010

Bill Summary: This proposal requires fire protection district boards to have five members

and shortens terms to three years.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	
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Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	
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 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	
<b>Local Government</b>	(\$0 to Unknown)	(\$0 to Unknown)	(\$0 to Unknown)	

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** and the **Department of Public Safety-Division of Fire Safety** each assume there will be no fiscal impact to their respective agencies.

Officials from **Creve Coeur Fire Protection District** state their budget is \$10,000 to hold an election for Board Members with the election held every other year. Officials assume with this proposal elections would be held each year and assuming two Board Members would need to run each year, the District's election budget would go from \$10,000 every other year to \$20,000 per year.

Officials estimate each Board Member receives approximately \$5000 in attendance fees each year, totaling \$15,000 per year. By adding two additional board members, the total cost will increase to \$25,000 per year.

**Oversight** assumes this proposal requires a fire protection district board with three members to increase the number to five and to decrease the term of all members to three years. Many fire districts would have increased election costs and attendance fees. Oversight will show a fiscal impact to local government to be zero to negative unknown.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	(\$0 to <u>Unknown)</u>	(\$0 to <u>Unknown)</u>	(\$0 to <u>Unknown)</u>
Costs - Fire Protection Districts -Election costs will increase with more frequent elections to replace board members and additional attendance fees will be incurred by adding two additional board members	(\$0 to Unknown)	(\$0 to Unknown)	(\$0 to Unknown)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government  LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013
	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013

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#### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

#### FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, a fire protection district board can have either three or five members serving six-year terms. This bill requires boards with three members to increase the number to five and to decrease the term of all members to three years at the next available election authorized for the district. Any district incorporated after August 28, 2010, will be required to have a five-member board serving three-year terms.

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

Department of Public Safety
-Division of Fire Safety
Office of State Courts Administrator

#### NOT RESPONDING

Boone County Fire District
Central County Fire and Rescue
Centralia Fire Department
DeSoto Rural Fire Protection District
Hawk Point Fire Protection District
Hillsboro Fire Protection
Lake Saint Louis Fire District
Mehlville Fire District
Nixa Fire Protection District
Saline Valley Fire Protection District

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