

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4277-01  
Bill No.: HB 1682  
Subject: Marriage and Divorce; Vital Statistics  
Type: Original  
Date: February 3, 2010

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Bill Summary: This proposal authorizes the State Registrar to issue heritage birth and marriage certificates.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>
General Revenue	(\$3,886)	\$299	\$266
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>(\$3,886)</b>	<b>\$299</b>	<b>\$266</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>
Children's Trust Fund	\$8,333	\$10,200	\$10,400
Endowed Care Cemetery Audit Fund	\$833	\$1,020	\$1,040
Crippled Children's Services Fund	\$12,500	\$15,300	\$15,600
Missouri Public Health Services Fund	\$16,666	\$20,400	\$20,800
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$38,332</b>	<b>\$46,920</b>	<b>\$47,840</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>
<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>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on 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).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>	<b>FY 2013</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **ASSUMPTION**

#### ***Section 193.259:***

Officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator, Office of the Secretary of State** and the **Missouri State Treasurer** each assume the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** assume there is no fiscal impact to the Department. The Children's Trust Fund is administered by an independent board and, therefore, does not affect DSS funding. Heritage Birth and Marriage Certificates could be accepted by DSS as proof of relationship for various programs; however, no significant change in procedures for verifying this information is anticipated.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration (DIFP)** state after discussion with the Department of Health and Senior Services it is estimated that 1,000 certificates will be sold yearly. One dollar from the sale of each heritage birth or marriage certificate will be deposited to the Endowed Care Cemetery Audit Fund resulting in an additional \$1,000 per year deposited to this fund.

**Oversight** notes the \$1,000 yearly deposit into the Endowed Care Cemetery Audit Fund mentioned in DIFP's response was also included in the Department of Health and Senior Services's response. For fiscal note purposes only, Oversight has included the \$1,000 fiscal impact in the Department of Health and Senior Services.

Official from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)** states the following:

Section 193.259.1: This section allows the State Registrar to develop a Heritage Birth and Heritage Marriage Certificate. DHSS public information staff will assist in creating the design of the certificate. A color printer will be needed to print the certificates. This will be a one-time cost of \$850.

It is estimated that 1,000 blank certificates ( $1,000 \times \$0.76 = \$760$ ) and 1,000 gold foil seals ( $1,000 \times \$0.52 = \$520$ ) will be printed by the State Print Shop at a total cost of \$1,280. Completed certificates will be mailed first class, flat rate with "padding" to ensure the certificate is not bent or damaged. The cost of envelopes with liners is one dollar each ( $1,000 \times \$1 = \$1,000$ ) and the mailing cost is estimated at \$1.39 per envelope ( $1,000 \times \$1.39 = \$1,390$ ).

Section 193.259.4: The Office of Administration, Information Technology Services Division (ITSD) services will be needed to make programming changes to the Vital Records system in order to allow the new the new certificates to be printed. ITSD will use a contractor to perform the programming changes and estimates a total of 48 work hours will be needed at a cost of \$69/hour, or \$3,312. This is a one-time cost.

Officials from the **Missouri State Governor** have not responded to Oversight's request for fiscal information.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<u>Income</u> - Department of Health and Senior Services			
Heritage Birth & Marriage Certificate Fees	\$3,333	\$4,080	\$4,160
<u>Costs</u> - Department of Health and Senior Services			
Printer, Postage and Printing	<u>(\$7,219)</u>	<u>(\$3,781)</u>	<u>(\$3,894)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b><u>(\$3,886)</u></b>	<b><u>\$299</u></b>	<b><u>\$266</u></b>
<b>CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND</b>			
<u>Income</u> - Department of Health and Senior Services			
Heritage Birth & Marriage Certificate Fees	\$8,333	\$10,200	\$10,400
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND</b>	<b><u>\$8,333</u></b>	<b><u>\$10,200</u></b>	<b><u>\$10,400</u></b>
<b>ENDOWED CARE CEMETERY AUDIT FUND</b>			
<u>Income</u> - Department of Health and Senior Services			
Heritage Birth & Marriage Certificate Fees	\$833	\$1,020	\$1,040
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON ENDOWED CARE CEMETERY AUDIT FUND</b>	<b><u>\$833</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,020</u></b>	<b><u>\$1,040</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government (continued)	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013
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**CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SERVICES  
FUND**

Income - Department of Health and  
Senior Services

Heritage Birth & Marriage Certificate Fees	\$12,500	\$15,300	\$15,600
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**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON  
CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SERVICES  
FUND**

<b><u>\$12,500</u></b>	<b><u>\$15,300</u></b>	<b><u>\$15,600</u></b>
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**MISSOURI PUBLIC HEALTH  
SERVICES FUND**

Income - Department of Health and  
Senior Services

Heritage Birth & Marriage Certificate Fees	\$16,666	\$20,400	\$20,800
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**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON  
MISSOURI PUBLIC HEALTH  
SERVICES FUND**

<b><u>\$16,666</u></b>	<b><u>\$20,400</u></b>	<b><u>\$20,800</u></b>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013
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<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
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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

### **Section 193.259:**

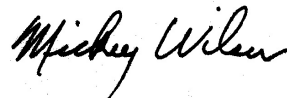
This legislation allows the State of Missouri to promote and sell, for a \$50 fee, a heritage birth certificate and a heritage marriage certificate to individuals born or married in Missouri. The State Registrar may issue, upon request, these certificates to the individuals named on the original record or certificate and they will have the same status as evidence as an original or certified birth or marriage certificate. The fee will be deposited into the state treasury with \$4 going to the General Revenue Fund, \$10 to the Children's Trust Fund, \$1 to the Endowed Care Cemetery Audit Fund, \$15 to the Crippled Children's Services Fund, and \$20 to the Missouri Public Health Services Fund.

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 State Courts Administrator  
Department of Health and Senior Services  
Department of Social Services  
Missouri State Treasurer  
Office of the Secretary of State  
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration

**Not Responding: Missouri State Governor**



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