

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4547-01  
Bill No.: HB 1812  
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Higher Education Department; Boards, Commissions, Committees, Councils  
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Bill Summary: Changes amounts of financial assistance awards for the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program.

**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>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</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>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
<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 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
<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>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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## **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

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### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials at the **Department of Higher Education** assume this bill would have no fiscal impact until FY 2016, the first year the changes in award amount go into effect. Because Access Missouri is completely scaleable (award amounts are adjusted based on the amount appropriated for the program), this bill would not necessarily change the cost of the program. Assuming that Access Missouri funding remains constant or increases at the rate of inflation, this bill would not significantly impact the percent of the maximum award that the MDHE is able to make to students.

Officials at the **Metropolitan Community College** assume a positive fiscal impact of \$250,000.

Officials at the **Lincoln University** assume a possible fiscal impact due to increased numbers of students enrolling at University and being awarded financial aid from Access Missouri.

Officials at the **Linn State Technical College** assume an unknown impact.

Officials at the **Missouri Western State University** assume for the fall 2009 term - the University has 1,498 students who were disbursed \$1,158,503. The average award was \$773.36. The maximum award based on State allocations was \$840 for the term. Our students on average received 92% of the max award for the term. The University is estimating that the total disbursement for the year will be around \$2,317,006.

For the 2008-2009 school year - we had 1,595 students receive \$2,578,087.50.

If the maximum award amount raises to \$2,850 (up from the current statutory maximum of \$2,150 for public four years) and our students on average receive 92% of the award amount, and we have about 1,500 students receive an award, Western would receive approximately \$3,933,000 in Access Missouri funds.

Officials at the **University of Missouri** assume if passed, this bill is anticipated to have a small positive impact on the University. The increase in amounts of financial assistance awards to students attending public 4-year institutions from the Access Missouri Financial Assistance Program would decrease the net expense for students, and may make the University more accessible or attractive to students who would otherwise not attend the University. Likewise, the decrease in funds available for students attending private institutions may result in students choosing the University over a private university. These two sources of increase in enrollment,

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though anticipated to be small, would result in a net increase in revenue to the University.

Officials at the **Missouri Southern State University (MSSU)** estimates that if this legislation were enacted qualifying MSSU students would receive additional aid of approximately \$700,000. It was noted that students are not currently receiving the maximum amount of aid allowed. The calculation above is aid that would be received beyond the current maximum.

Officials at the **East Central College** and the **University of Central Missouri** assume that there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

**Oversight** assumes the legislation affects the 2015-2016 academic year which is outside the fiscal note period.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2011 (10 Mo.)	FY 2012	FY 2013
	<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 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

Department of Higher Education  
East Central College  
Lincoln University  
Linn State Technical College  
Metropolitan Community College  
Missouri Southern State University  
Missouri State University  
Missouri Western State University  
University of Central Missouri  
University of Missouri

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