

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4736-02  
Bill No.: HB 1202  
Subject: Counties; Contracts and Contractors; Newspaper and Publications  
Type: Original  
Date: January 14, 2014

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Bill Summary: This proposal changes the laws regarding newspaper notices and publication of advertisements for bids for county projects.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
<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>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
<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.  
This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</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 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</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 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>Unknown</b>	<b>Unknown</b>	<b>Unknown</b>

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

**ASSUMPTION**

Officials at the **St. Charles County Assessor's Office** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials at the **St. Louis County** assume they may benefit from savings by permitting the posting of advertisement of competitive quotes and bids in lieu of requiring newspaper notices. Estimated savings per year \$10,000 - \$15,000.

Officials at the **Cole County** assume a savings of \$8,000 annually by not having to buy newspaper advertising.

Officials at the **Lincoln County** assume a savings of \$5,000 to \$8,000 per year.

Officials at the **Audrain County** assume a savings of \$3,000 per year.

Officials at the following counties: Andrew, Barry, Bates, Boone, Buchanan, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Cass, Clay, Cooper, DeKalb, Franklin, Greene, Holt, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Laclede, Lawrence, Marion, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, New Madrid, Nodaway, Ozark, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Platte, Pulaski, Scott, St. Francois, Taney, Warren, Wayne and Worth did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

**Oversight** assumes political subdivisions will have a savings from no longer needing to advertise in the newspaper. The savings for all subdivisions in the state is unknown.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
<b>LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>			
<u>Savings</u> - Counties - from no longer need to advertise	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>	<b><u>Unknown</u></b>	<b><u>Unknown</u></b>	<b><u>Unknown</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill expands the procedure for advertising the letting of contracts by counties or townships in counties with a township form of government to include electronic means. The electronic means must be reasonably calculated to reach the general public and likely to reach prospective bidders or offerors, including online bidding services.

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

Audrain County  
Cole County  
Lincoln County  
St. Charles County Assessor's Office  
St. Louis County



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