COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 4848-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1858

Subject: Civil Rights; Courts

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: March 26, 2014

Bill Summary: This proposal changes the laws regarding complaints filed with the

Missouri Commission on Human Rights regarding discrimination based

upon a person's sexual orientation or gender identity.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	
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 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	
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 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the Office of the State Courts Administrator, the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

Officials from the **Attorney General's Office (AGO)** assume if this proposal were to pass, it will enable new cases of alleged discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity to come before the Human Rights Commission. As a result, the AGO anticipates additional work in representing the Commission. At this time, it is unknown how many new claims will be filed by individuals alleging discrimination based on sexual orientation. AGO assumes that the number of claims in the first few years will be less than 10 and that the AGO can absorb the costs of representing the Commission in its review of these claims. However, if there is a significant increase in claims over time, the AGO may seek additional appropriations to adequately represent the Human Rights Commission in handling these claims.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Personnel Division (COA)** assume this proposal will offer employees additional bases for discrimination claims. It can not be determined how many additional claims would be filed. Cost are unknown.

Oversight assumes COA is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes COA could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, COA could request funding through the appropriation process.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017

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FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017

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 direct 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 Labor and Industrial Relations
Attorney General's Office
Office of the State Courts Administrator
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration
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