COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.:</u> 5837-01 <u>Bill No.:</u> HB 1738

Subject: Courts; Fees; Kansas City

Type: Original

Date: March 12, 2014

Bill Summary: This proposal allows Kansas City to impose an additional five dollars in

court costs for each municipal ordinance violation case for the restoration,

maintenance, and upkeep of the municipal courthouse.

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 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 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	\$996,645	\$996,645	\$996,645	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Office of the State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation allows Kansas City to impose an additional five dollars in court costs for each municipal ordinance violation case for the restoration, maintenance, and upkeep of the municipal courthouse. During FY 2013, there were 199,329 municipal ordinance violations (1,048 alcohol/drug, 138,083 other traffic and 30,198 non-traffic) that may be eligible. Based on the \$5 court cost for each violation, the projected annual increase would be \$996,645.

Officials at the **City of Kansas City** assume this would provide annual revenue in the amount of \$309,000 from this proposal.

Oversight will reflect in the fiscal note the numbers provided by the Office of the State Courts Administrator.

Officials at Clay County and Jackson County did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS			
Revenue - City of Kansas City - additional court fees	<u>\$996,645</u>	<u>\$996,645</u>	\$996,645
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	<u>\$996,645</u>	<u>\$996,645</u>	<u>\$996,645</u>

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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

This bill allows the City of Kansas City to impose an additional court cost of up to \$5 for each municipal ordinance violation case filed before a municipal division judge or associate circuit judge. The judge may waive the assessment of the additional cost if the judge finds the defendant to be indigent and unable to pay the costs. The city can only use the additional costs for the restoration, maintenance, and upkeep of the municipal courthouse.

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 City of Kansas City

Not responding

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