

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 6172-02
Bill No.: HCS for HB 1935
Subject: Courts; Telecommunications; Fees
Type: Original
Date: March 20, 2014

Bill Summary: This proposal allows Springfield to charge an additional \$10 fee for each municipal ordinance violation case to pay for courthouse upkeep.

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	Greater than \$297,610	Greater than \$297,610	Greater than \$297,610

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Office of the State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation allows Springfield to charge an additional \$10 fee for each municipal ordinance violation case to pay for courthouse upkeep. During FY 2013, there were 29,761 municipal ordinance violations (731 alcohol/drug, 21,857 other traffic and 7,173 non-traffic) that may be eligible. Based on the \$10 court cost for each violation, the projected annual increase would be \$297,610 to unknown.

Officials at the City of Springfield and Greene County did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

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

<u>Revenue</u> - City of Springfield - additional court fees	Greater than <u>\$297,610</u>	Greater than <u>\$297,610</u>	Greater than <u>\$297,610</u>
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	Greater than <u>\$297,610</u>	Greater than <u>\$297,610</u>	Greater than <u>\$297,610</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.

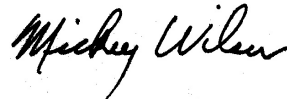
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill changes an incorrect intersectional reference to allow a municipality to adopt an ordinance to impose a surcharge in addition to all other court costs for the automation of its municipal court. The bill permits Springfield to provide for additional court costs in an amount up to \$10 per case for each municipal ordinance violation case filed before a municipal division judge or associate circuit judge. The cost must be collected by the clerk and disbursed to the city at least monthly. The city must use the additional costs only for the land assemblage and purchase, construction, maintenance, and upkeep of a municipal courthouse. The costs collected may be pledged to directly or indirectly secure bonds for the cost of land assemblage and purchase, construction, maintenance, and upkeep of the 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



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