COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.:</u> 4350-01 <u>Bill No.:</u> HB 1669

Subject: Ethics; Campaign Finance; Lobbying; Public Officers; General Assembly;

Alcohol

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: December 30, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal enacts various provisions relating to ethics.

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | | |
|---|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | |
| | | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | | |
|--|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| 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 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) | | | | | |
|--|---------|----------------|---|--|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2017 | 7 FY 2018 FY 2 | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|--|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2017 | FY 2018 | FY 2019 | |
| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | |

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Missouri Ethics Commission** (**MEC**) assume §105.456.3 would prohibit any member of the general assembly, statewide office holder, or such official's staff, employee, spouse, or dependent children from accepting anything of value.

This change would require MEC to do the following:

- Provide information to public officials and the public as specified in the Commission duties in §105.491, 105.955.14 (4), RSMo, about the new statutory requirements; examples include providing education, developing informational materials, and fielding telephone and email questions.
- Respond to written complaints, as established in 105.955.14, RSMo, through conducting investigations and any legal actions arising from those investigations. Any significant increase in complaints would require additional Commission resources, including investigative staff.

§105.473.13 would prohibit a lobbyist from contributing or making an expenditure for any candidate committee formed by state elected official.

This change would require the MEC to do the following:

- Provide information to public officials and the public as specified in the Commission duties in §105.491, 105.955.14 (4), RSMo, about the new statutory requirements; examples include providing education, developing informational materials, telephone and email assistance.
- Provide oversight in campaign finance committee adherence to the prohibition of contributions or expenditures, including reviewing, auditing, and performing cross checks of the reported contributions, as established in §105.955.14 (2), (3), RSMo.
- Respond to written complaints, as established in §105.955.14, RSMo, through conducting investigations and any legal actions arising from those investigations. Any significant increase in complaints would require additional Commission resources, including investigative staff.

§105.473.14 would prohibit a lobbyist from delivering anything of value to a local or state elected official, or the spouses, dependent children, staff/employees of such official

This change would require the MEC to do the following:

• Provide information to public officials and the public as specified in the Commission duties in §105.491, 105.955.14 (4), RSMo, about the new statutory requirements;

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

- examples include providing education, developing informational materials, telephone and email assistance.
- Provide oversight in adherence to the specific gift prohibition, including reviewing lobbyist reports as established in §105.959, RSMo. This oversight, it is assumed, would be primarily from receiving written complaints, as established in §105.955.14, RSMo, through conducting investigations and the related legal actions. It is assumed this prohibition would result in a minimal number of complaints; however, if this assumption is incorrect the Commission would require additional staff resources.

In summary, MEC assumes this proposal would result in a minimal number of complains; however, if this assumption is incorrect the Commission would require additional staff resources.

| FISCAL IMPACT - State Government | FY 2017 (10 Mo.) | FY 2018 | FY 2019 |
|----------------------------------|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government | FY 2017 (10 Mo.) | FY 2018 | FY 2019 |
| | <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 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.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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