COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 6496-02

Bill No.: Perfected HCS for HB 2561

Subject: Department of Public Safety; Business and Commerce; Crimes and Punishment

Type: Original April 5, 2016

Bill Summary: This proposal changes the laws regarding victims of crimes.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
General Revenue	(Less than \$100,000)	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(Less than \$100,000)	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	
Crime Victims' Compensation	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	

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	FY 2018	FY 2019
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

§595.120 - Posters regarding the national human trafficking resource center hotline:

In response to a previous version of this proposal, officials from the **Department of Public Safety (DPS) - Office of the Director** stated they see costs required to design the poster, determine what languages are required, provide the poster in multiple languages, and make it available for print on our public website. However, we cannot ascertain the costs for this effort at this time and provide them as Unknown - under \$100,000.

Oversight assumes these costs would be incurred in the first fiscal year, and assume DPS could absorb any additional costs in later fiscal years.

§595.209 - Victims of domestic assault offenses to receive automatic notification:

Officials from the Office of the State Public Defender, the Office of Prosecution Services, the Department of Corrections, the Department of Social Services, and the Office of the State Courts Administrator each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol** assume the proposal would not create a fiscal impact on their agency.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director** state they see minimal impact, mainly wording changes on brochures, presentations, etc.

House Amendment 1:

Oversight assumes that House Amendment 1 would not create a fiscal impact.

House Amendment 2 - Crime Victims' Compensation Fund:

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 1403), officials from the **Department of Mental Health** assumed the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 1403), officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director (DPS)** stated they see no fiscal impact for this legislation, as compensation for these additional practitioners is subject to the maximum reimbursement for this program and we feel can be absorbed within the existing funds.

According to the DPS web site, the Crime Victims' Compensation Program has paid the following amounts for medical awards over the last three years:

FY 2015	\$2,945,171
FY 2014	\$2,804,727
FY 2013	\$3,742,524
FY 2012	\$4,089,390

Current statute states that the medical expenses per eligible claim, for psychiatric, psychological or counseling expenses resulting from the crime committed, cannot exceed \$2,500. In addition, there is a maximum limit of \$25,000 total costs paid out per eligible claim.

This proposal adds a medical service provider to the list of approved costs for reimbursement, but does not increase the per person maximum payout.

According to DPS' budget submission, the estimated number of New Victim Claims is:

2014	Actual	1,583
2015	Actual	1,539
2016		1,550
2017		1,600

Since a victim can already be compensated for services received from a psychologist, clinical social worker, or professional counselor, **Oversight** will assume this proposal will not greatly impact the program. Therefore, Oversight assumes expanding the program by compensating for treatment from psychiatric-mental health nurse practitioners or psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse specialists will have some impact on the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, but by less than \$100,000 annually.

The balance of the Crime Victim's Compensation Fund (0681) at March 31, 2016 was \$9,647,027.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
Costs - DPS - §595.120 - to develop, print and distribute posters providing information regarding the national human trafficking resource center hotline	(Less than \$100,000)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(Less than <u>\$100,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION			
Costs - DPS - §595.030 - inclusion of services of board certified psychiatricmental health clinical nurse specialists to be compensated	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)
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.

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FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires various establishments, specified in the bill, to display a poster in a conspicuous place near the entrance of the establishment, starting March 1, 2017, that provides information regarding human trafficking, including what it is and resources victims have for getting help. Any establishment required to display the poster that fails to display the poster will be subject to the penalty provisions of this bill.

The Department of Public Safety will create the poster before January 1, 2017, and the poster will be made available for print on the department's website.

House Amendment 2 authorizes a board certified psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse specialist and board certified psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse practitioner to be eligible for reimbursement by crime victim compensation when providing crisis counseling.

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 Public Safety
Office of Prosecution Services
Office of the State Public Defender
Office of the State Courts Administrator
Department of Corrections
Department of Social Services

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