

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1664-01
Bill No.: HB 814
Subject: Higher Education
Type: Original
Date: February 17, 2017

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the “Curriculum Transparency Act.”

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
College & University Fund	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
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 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Department of Higher Education** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials at the **University of Missouri** assume the University System considers course materials and course syllabi to be the intellectual property of the faculty member and thus it is their choice whether to post information or circulate it publicly. This legislation would require that such materials be placed on-line, so we assume there will be a negative fiscal impact but the exact amount cannot be determined at this time.

Officials at the **Metropolitan Community College** assume a cost of \$50,000 in salaries to maintain the required information.

Officials at the **State Technical College of Missouri** assume the impact is unknown and difficult to quantify. The information already exists but making it available on the website every semester would require a great deal of time and IT resources to automate the process.

Officials at the **Missouri State University** assume this will have a negative impact on the University in an undetermined amount.

Oversight notes this proposal, in §173.925, would require the higher education institutions to post information regarding each course, including the syllabus, reading list, attendance requirements, and all assignments on the institution's website. Oversight will show a cumulative impact to the higher education institutions of could exceed \$100,000 annually for the collection, updating and posting of this information.

Officials at the following colleges: Crowder, East Central Community College, Harris-Stowe, Jefferson College, Lincoln University, Moberly Area Community College, Missouri Southern State University, Missouri Western State University, Northwest Missouri State University, Southeast Missouri State University, State Fair Community College, St. Charles Community College, St. Louis Community College, Three Rivers Community College, Truman State University and the University of Central Missouri did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2018 (10 Mo.)	FY 2019	FY 2020
COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY FUNDS			
<u>Cost</u> - collecting, updating and posting course information	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY FUNDS	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2018 (10 Mo.)	FY 2019	FY 2020
	<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.

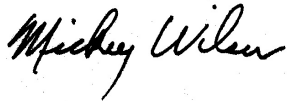
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires public colleges and universities to post on their website information for each course offered that includes the course syllabus, reading list, attendance requirements, extra credit opportunities, and a description of required assignments and projects.

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 Higher Education
Metropolitan Community College
Missouri State University
State Technical College of Missouri
University of Missouri

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