

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5464-01
Bill No.: HB 1958
Subject: Law Enforcement Officers and Agencies; St. Louis City; Licenses - Driver's
Type: Original
Date: April 5, 2018

Bill Summary: This proposal designates the Sheriff of the City of St. Louis and deputies as law enforcement officers eligible for certain training and licensure.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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3ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
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 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
St. Louis City Sheriff Department Funds	(\$88,000)	(\$88,000)	(\$88,000)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **City of St. Louis** assume the proposed legislation provides that deputies of the Sheriff's office of the City of St. Louis shall be eligible for training and licensure by the peace officer standards and training commission under chapter 590 of the MO Revised Statutes. Chapter 590 defines a peace officer as "a law enforcement officer of the state or any political subdivision of the state with the power of arrest for a violation of the criminal code or declared or deemed a to be a peace officer by state statute."

However, unlike sheriffs in other counties of the state, the sheriff in the City of St. Louis is not charged with law enforcement. "All general laws relating and applicable to the sheriffs of the several counties of this state shall apply to the same officer in the City of St. Louis, except that the sheriff of the City of St. Louis shall not enforce the general criminal laws of the state of Missouri unless such enforcement shall be incidental to the duties customarily performed by the sheriff of the City of St. Louis." (R.S. Mo. 57.450).

The primary duties of the Sheriff of the City of St. Louis involve courtroom security, prisoner transport and process serving. The proposed legislation would designate the Sheriff of the City of St. Louis and deputies as law enforcement officers and eligible for training even though their duties in the City are not typically law enforcement. A current training program for City Airport police officers for 25 weeks of training, including tuition, screenings, exams, etc. totals \$4,400 per participant. The annual salary of an entry level Sheriff deputy position is \$32,604, so the cost of salary and benefits (est. @ 25%) during the training period would total just under \$20,000, bringing the total cost of training to approximately \$24,000 per deputy. At a total of 165 uniformed deputies the total cost for the Sheriff's office would be a minimum of \$4M.

Since most current staff make more than the minimum salary, actual salary costs during training would be higher. (Note: Since training would entail deputies being unavailable for regular service duty for an extended period- the salary cost of training is included as the cost of keeping vacated posts filled while training is in progress, either through additional hires, overtime or both. Costs in successive years would include the training of new deputies due to attrition, (avg. of 20 per year) estimated at \$480,000 and the cost of continuing education est. @ \$160 per deputy per year for an additional \$23,000 (\$160 x 145).

In summary, the City of St. Louis assumes the following costs for this proposal:

FY19 - Greater than \$4,000,000

FY20 - \$503,000

FY21 - \$503,000

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Oversight inquired the City of St. Louis on their response. The actual training cost for 165 deputies is \$726,000 (\$4,400 per). Oversight is unclear when the City of St. Louis will be training the 165 deputies, but will assume it will be done gradually, and will assume approximately 20 deputies trained per year (\$88,000).

Officials at the **Department of Public Safety's Office of the Director** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials at the St. Louis City Sheriff's Department and the St. Louis City Circuit Clerk's Office did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
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**ST. LOUIS CITY SHERIFF'S
 DEPARTMENT FUNDS**

<u>Cost - training costs</u>	<u>(\$88,000)</u>	<u>(\$88,000)</u>	<u>(\$88,000)</u>
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**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE
 ST. LOUIS CITY SHERIFF'S
 DEPARTMENT FUNDS**

<u>(\$88,000)</u>	<u>(\$88,000)</u>	<u>(\$88,000)</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

The office of sheriff of the City of St. Louis shall be considered a law enforcement agency, and the sheriff and sworn deputies of that office shall be considered law enforcement officers and shall be eligible for training and licensure by the Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission.

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

City of St. Louis
Department of Public Safety
Office of the Director

NOT RESPONDING

St. Louis City Sheriff's Department
City of St. Louis Circuit Clerk

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