

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0264-05
Bill No.: HCS for HB 322
Subject: Elections; Secretary of State; General Assembly
Type: Original
Date: April 23, 2019

Bill Summary: This proposal requires the word count of a referendum bill or constitutional amendment to appear in bold on the ballot with the summary of said initiative or referendum.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
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 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Local Government	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** and **Missouri Senate** both assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Missouri House of Representatives** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note for these agencies.

Officials from the **St. Louis County Board of Elections** assume if the proposal lengthens a ballot to two pages, this could have a fiscal impact of about \$100,000.

In response to a similar version, officials from the **Kansas City Election Board** assumed the fiscal impact would be roughly \$500 per election for increased cost associated with legal notices.

Officials from the **Platte County Board of Elections** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Oversight assumes the inclusion of this phrase and information will potentially increase fiscal impact regarding ballot length and printing costs to local election authorities. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero to unknown cost on the fiscal note.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other local election authorities were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. For a general listing of political subdivisions included in our database, please refer to www.legislativeoversight.mo.gov.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2020
(10 Mo.)

FY 2021

FY 2022

LOCAL ELECTION AUTHORITIES

Cost - printing costs

\$0 to
(Unknown)

\$0 to
(Unknown)

\$0 to
(Unknown)

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON
LOCAL ELECTION AUTHORITIES**

**\$0 to
(Unknown)**

**\$0 to
(Unknown)**

**\$0 to
(Unknown)**

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 that a word count of proposed initiative petition legislation, either statutory or Constitutional amendment, be placed in boldface type at the end of ballot measures to inform voters of the actual length of a particular bill or amendment.

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 Secretary of State
Missouri Senate
Missouri House of Representatives
St. Louis County Board of Elections
Kansas City Election Board
Platte County Board of Elections



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