

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0574-01
Bill No.: HB 177
Subject: Health Care
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Bill Summary: This proposal requires long-term care facilities to have on staff one person trained in suicide assessment, treatment and management.

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.

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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	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§198.088 - Staff with suicide assessment, treatment and management training

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)** state §198.088.1(9) of the proposed legislation requires long-term care (LTC) facilities to have one person on staff who is trained in suicide assessment, treatment, and management. The DHSS, Division of Regulation and Licensure, Section for Long-Term Care Regulation (SLCR) is responsible for regulating LTC facilities. This will require changes to state rules and regulations, section policies and procedures, associated inspection forms, and survey processes.

It is assumed it will take a Health and Senior Services Manager (average salary \$63,781) approximately 65 hours to make changes to state rules, policies and procedures; and forms. Based on 2,080 working hours per year, this would require 0.03 FTE to assume these duties ($65 \text{ hours} \div 2,080 \text{ hours per year} = 0.03$) for a total one- time personal service cost of \$1,913 ($\$63,781 \times 0.03$).

There are 520 Skilled Nursing Facilities/Intermediate Care Facilities (SNF/ICF) and 653 Residential Care Facilities/Assisted Living Facilities (RCF/ALF) in Missouri. It is assumed it will take a Facility Advisory Nurse II (average salary \$47,892) approximately one-half hour per facility to include the additional survey process changes for a total of 587 hours ($520 + 653 \times 0.5 = 587$). Based on 2,080 working hours per year, this would require 0.28 FTE to assume these duties ($587 \text{ hours} \div 2,080 \text{ hours per year} = 0.28$) for a total personal service annual cost of \$13,410 ($\$47,892 \times 0.28$).

Survey process changes include:

- Review of facility policy and procedures to ensure they meet statutory requirements;
- Review of personnel records related to staff who have received training in suicide assessment, treatment, and management;
- Interviews with facility staff to ensure they are knowledgeable of the name and contact information of the trained staff and the process to contact staff; and
- Review of facility compliance with providing the handout to residents on suicide prevention and awareness.

The department anticipates being able to absorb these costs. However, until the FY20 budget is final, the department cannot identify specific funding sources.

Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Oversight assumes the DHSS has sufficient staff and resources available to absorb the additional duties required by this proposal and will present no fiscal impact to the DHSS for fiscal note purposes.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Oversight notes that the **Department of Social Services** has stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their organization. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for this organization.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, county-owned nursing homes 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>

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

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small business nursing homes could be impacted by 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.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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