COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0761H.01I Bill No.: HB 365

Subject: Animals; Cities, Towns, And Villages; Political Subdivisions

Type: Original

Date: January 4, 2021

Bill Summary: This proposal prohibits villages, towns, and cities from regulating dogs in a

breed-specific manner.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Estimated Net			
Effect on General			
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on Other				
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 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on All				
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Total Estimated Net			
Effect on FTE	0	0	0

 \square 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 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Local Government	\$0 to (less than	\$0 to (less than	\$0 to (less than
	\$100,000)	\$100,000)	\$100,000)

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **City of Springfield** anticipate a negative impact from this proposal. Currently, the City has heightened ownership requirements for pit bulls, including registration, muzzling while not on owner's property, and posting a sign on the property. The City would lose approximately \$25,000 in registration fees annually, and there may be additional unquantifiable costs related to animal control issues.

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Agriculture** assume 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 in the fiscal note for this agency.

Officials from the cities of **Ballwin**, **Kansas City**, **O'Fallon** and **St. Louis City** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective localities. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these cities.

In response to similar legislation from this year, SB 107, officials from the cities of **Corder** and **Sugar Creek** each assumed no fiscal impact to their respective entities from this proposal.

In response to similar legislation from 2020, HCS for HB Nos. 2241 & 2244, officials at the **City of Columbia** and the **City of Brentwood** each assumed no fiscal impact to their respective entities from this proposal.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other cities and counties were requested to respond to this proposed legislation, but did not. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

Oversight notes Missouri's annual registration fees for dangerous dogs can range from \$50 to \$125 depending on which city you live in, while other states' are as much as \$500 per year. Oversight researched 16 cities regarding their ordinances for dangerous dogs based on specific breeds. Certain regulations are required for cities with "dangerous dog" ordinances in order to keep dogs within the city limits. Such regulations include muzzling the dog, additional liability insurance required by the owner, dog is kept in a pin or inside the house, and/or potential higher registration fees.

Oversight notes that according to city leaders, a lot of the ordinances that did have regulations either did not require additional fees, classification for "dangerous dogs" are for all breeds or not many registrations were processed regarding dangerous dogs. While some local political subdivisions may experience less fees collected based on the passage of this legislation,

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Oversight assumes the impact would be less than \$100,000 per year. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a negative fiscal impact that is \$0 to less than \$100,000 to local political subdivisions for this proposal.

FISCAL IMPACT –	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
State Government	(10 Mo.)		
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT –	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024
Local Government	(10 Mo.)		
LOCAL			
POLITICAL			
SUBDIVISIONS			
<u>Loss</u> – potential loss			
of fees generated			
from registering	\$0 to (less	\$0 to (less	\$0 to (less
breed-specific dogs	<u>than \$100,000)</u>	than \$100,000)	than \$100,000)
ESTIMATED NET			
EFFECT ON			
LOCAL			
POLITICAL	\$0 to (less	\$0 to (less	\$0 to (less
SUBDIVISIONS	than \$100,000)	than \$100,000)	than \$100,000)

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation prohibits villages, towns, and cities from regulating dogs in a breed-specific manner.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

City of Springfield
Missouri Department of Agriculture
Ballwin
Kansas City
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