

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0206H.03C
Bill No.: HCS for HB 31
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Children and Minors; Department of
Elementary and Secondary Education; Children's Division; Courts, Juvenile;
Family Law
Type: Original
Date: March 18, 2025

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to home school protections.

FISCAL SUMMARY

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
| | | | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
| | | | |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE) | | | |
|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
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| Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE | 0 | 0 | 0 |

- ☐ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS | | | |
|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2026 | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Local Government | \$0 or (Unknown) | \$0 or (Unknown) | \$0 or (Unknown) |

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Office of the State Courts Administrator** and the **Department of Social Services** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to the previous version, officials from **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning** and **Missouri Office of Prosecution Services** each assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1672 (2024), officials from the **Mississippi County Recorder's Office** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1672 (2024), officials from the **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning** assumed Section 167.042 allows the recorder of deeds to charge a service cost up to \$1 for each notice filed. The repeal of this section may not affect TSR, but may impact the calculation under Article X, Section 18(e).

Oversight notes the proposal removes the annual reporting requirement for home schooled children. Oversight is uncertain how many recorders of deeds charge a service cost for notices filed but assumes this proposal could reduce the number of notices filed. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a \$0 (no fee charged for noticed filed) to an unknown loss to county recorders.

Oversight notes the following number of Misdemeanor Charges with Guilty Dispositions for violations of section 167.031 for the last three years:

- FY 2024 – 84
- FY 2023 – 56
- FY 2022 – 45

Oversight received zero responses from school districts related to the fiscal impact of this proposal. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information available. Upon the receipt of additional responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek approval to publish a new fiscal note. Oversight only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, school districts were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A listing of political subdivisions included in the Missouri Legislative Information System (MOLIS) database is available upon request.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u> | FY 2026 (10 Mo.) | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | | | |
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u> | FY 2026 (10 Mo.) | FY 2027 | FY 2028 |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS | | | |
| | | | |
| <u>Loss of Revenue</u> – County Recorders – no longer charging a service cost of \$1 for notices filed (the bill removes the annual requirement) - §167.042 | \$0 or (Unknown) | \$0 or (Unknown) | \$0 or (Unknown) |
| | | | |
| ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS | \$0 or (Unknown) | \$0 or (Unknown) | \$0 or (Unknown) |

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

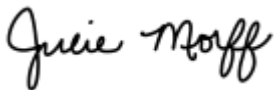
This bill repeals current law that allows parents to provide a written declaration of enrollment for home school children to the county recorder of deeds and requires schools to drop from the school rolls any student whose parent provides written notice that they are no longer going to attend public school, specified in the bill.

Currently, home school and family paced education (FPE) education enforcement and records are subject to review only by the prosecuting attorney. This bill requires the prosecuting attorney to have probable cause to review the records.

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 Elementary and Secondary Education
Office of Administration - Budget and Planning
Department of Social Services
Office of the State Courts Administrator
Mississippi County Recorder of Deeds
Missouri Office of Prosecution Services



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