

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0310S.03C
Bill No.: SCS for HCS for HB Nos. 45 & 59
Subject: Animals; Parks and Recreation; Public Records, Public Meetings; Sunshine Law;
Utilities
Type: Original
Date: May 5, 2025

Bill Summary: This proposal authorizes additional bases for closure of public meetings and records under the sunshine law.

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
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
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
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	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§610.021 – Sunshine Law

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assumed any potential litigation costs arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources. The AGO may seek additional appropriations if the proposal results in a significant increase in litigation or investigation costs.

Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight assumes the AGO will be able to perform any additional duties required by this proposal with current staff and resources and will reflect no fiscal impact to the AGO for fiscal note purposes.

In response to similar legislation from 2024, Perfected HCS for HB 1720, officials from the **Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority** 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 in the fiscal note.

Responses regarding the proposed legislation as a whole

Officials from the **Office of Administration (Administrative Hearing Commission, Budget and Planning, Office of the Commissioner)** the **Department of Commerce and Insurance**, the **Department of Economic Development**, the **Department of Health and Senior Services**, the **Department of Corrections**, the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations**, the **Department of Revenue**, the **Department of Natural Resources**, the **Missouri Highway Patrol**, the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education**, the **Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development**, the **Department of Mental Health**, the **Department of Public Safety (Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Control, Capitol Police, Fire Safety, Office of the Director, Missouri Gaming Commission, Missouri Veterans Commission, State Emergency Management Agency)**, the **Department of Social Services**, the **Missouri Department of Agriculture**, the **Office of the Governor**, the **Missouri Department of Transportation**, the **MoDOT & Patrol Employees' Retirement System**, the **Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund**, the **Missouri Department of Conservation**, the **Missouri Ethics Commission**, the **University of Missouri System, Kansas City**, the **Office of the State Auditor**, the **Missouri House of Representatives**, the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules**, the **Joint Committee on Public Employee Retirement**, **Legislative Research**, the **Oversight Division**, the **Missouri Lottery Commission**, the **Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan**, the **Missouri State Employee's Retirement System**, the **Missouri National Guard**, the **Missouri Senate**, the **Office of the State Treasurer**, the **Office of the State Public Defender**, the **Missouri Office of Prosecution Services**, the **Office of the State Courts Administrator** and the **State Tax Commission** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal

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

In response to a previous version, officials from the **City of O'Fallon** and the **Joint Committee on Education** each assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** note many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$5,000. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain with its core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

Oversight only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other cities, counties and local 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
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

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 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

Attorney General's Office

Office of Administration

Administrative Hearing Commission

Office of the Commissioner

Budget and Planning

Department of Commerce and Insurance

Department of Economic Development

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Department of Health and Senior Services

Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development

Department of Mental Health

Department of Natural Resources

Department of Corrections

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

Missouri Department of Agriculture

Missouri Ethics Commission

Department of Revenue

Department of Public Safety

Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Control

Capitol Police

Fire Safety

Office of the Director

Missouri Highway Patrol

Missouri Gaming Commission

Missouri Veterans Commission

State Emergency Management Agency

Department of Social Services

Office of the Governor

Missouri Department of Transportation

MoDOT & Patrol Employees' Retirement System

Missouri Department of Conservation


Missouri National Guard

Petroleum Storage Tank Insurance Fund

Office of the Secretary of State

Office of the State Public Defender

Office of the State Treasurer
University of Missouri System
City of Kansas City
City of O'Fallon
Office of the State Auditor
Missouri House of Representatives
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
Joint Committee on Education
Joint Committee on Public Employee Retirement
Legislative Research
Oversight Division
Missouri Senate
Missouri Lottery Commission
Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan
Office of the State Courts Administrator
Missouri Office of Prosecution Services
Missouri State Employee's Retirement System
State Tax Commission
Missouri Higher Education Loan Authority



Julie Morff
Director
May 5, 2025



Jessica Harris
Assistant Director
May 5, 2025