COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1986H.01I Bill No.: HB 790

Subject: Elections; Prisons and Jails; County Officials; Probation and Parole

Type: Original Date: April 1, 2025

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions for voter qualifications.

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 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 2028				
Total Estimated Net					
Effect on All 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 2028				
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0		

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§115.133 – Suffrage of Persons on Probation or Parole

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organization.

In response to similar legislation, HB 847 (2025), officials from the **Department of Corrections** assumed there was no fiscal impact on their respective organization.

Oversight notes that as of March 10, 2025, there were 52,620 individuals under probation and parole supervision according to information provided from DOC. Therefore, there could be an increase in registered voters.

Oversight notes that the Office of the Secretary of State and Department of Corrections have each stated the proposal would not have a direct fiscal impact on their respective organizations. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact on the fiscal note.

In response to similar legislation, HB 847 (2025), officials from the **Kansas City Election Board** stated cleaning up their voter registration files and training their staff and deputy registrars the new procedures and re-printing materials may cost up to \$5000.

Oversight assumes Kansas City Election Board could absorb the costs related to this proposal with existing resources.

Officials from the Jackson County Election Board, the Platte County Board of Elections, the St. Louis City Board of Elections and the St. Louis County Board of Elections each state this proposal will have no fiscal impact to their organizations.

Oversight notes that the above mentioned agencies have 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 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, you may contact the Oversight Division.

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

FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
	(10 Mo.)		
	<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

Currently, a person on probation or parole for a felony conviction is not entitled to vote until finally discharged from probation or parole.

This bill allows a person on probation or parole to vote, unless the person was convicted of a felony or misdemeanor connected with the right of suffrage.

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

Office of the Secretary of State Department of Corrections Jackson County Election Board Kansas City Election Board Platte County Board of Elections St. Louis City Board of Elections St. Louis County Board of Elections

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