

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4851H.01I
Bill No.: HB 1940
Subject: Newspapers and Publications; Courts
Type: Original
Date: January 20, 2026

Bill Summary: This proposal changes the law regarding advertisements and orders of publication in newspapers.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND

| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 |
|--|------------|------------|------------|
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS

| FUND AFFECTED | FY 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
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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 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 |
|---|------------|------------|------------|
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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 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 |
|--|----------|----------|----------|
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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 2027 | FY 2028 | FY 2029 |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
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| | | | |
| Local Government | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Missouri Office of Prosecution Services** did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact for this proposal.

§§493.050 and 493.070 – Orders of Publication in Newspaper

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

Officials from the **Platte County Board of Elections**, the **St. Louis City Board of Elections** and the **St. Louis County Board of Elections** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective agencies.

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.

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assume 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.

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health** defer to the **Office of Administration** for the potential fiscal impact of this proposal.

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u> | FY 2027 (10 Mo.) | FY 2028 | FY 2029 |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | | | |
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
| | | | |

| <u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u> | FY 2027 (10 Mo.) | FY 2028 | FY 2029 |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|
| | | | |
| | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> | <u>\$0</u> |
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FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

No direct fiscal impact on 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
 - Budget and Planning
- Department of Commerce and Insurance
- Department of Economic Development
- Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Department of Higher Education and Workforce Development
- Department of Health and Senior Services

Department of Mental Health
Department of Natural Resources
Department of Corrections
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations
Department of Revenue
Department of Public Safety
 Office of the Director
 Division of Alcohol and Tobacco Control
 Capitol Police
 Fire Safety
 Missouri Gaming Commission
 Missouri Highway Patrol
 State Emergency Management Agency
Department of Social Services
Office of the Governor
Missouri Department of Agriculture
Missouri Department of Conservation
Missouri Ethics Commission
Missouri Department of Transportation
MoDOT & Patrol Employees' Retirement System
Office of the State Courts Administrator
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
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
Office of the State Auditor
Missouri House of Representatives
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