

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5056H.01I
Bill No.: HB 1720
Subject: Political Subdivisions; Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Councils; Public Records, Public Meetings; Counties; County Government; County Officials; Cities, Towns, and Villages
Type: Original
Date: January 6, 2026

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes general requirements for meetings of governing bodies of political subdivisions.

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
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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
Total Estimated Net Effect on All Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)

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

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§67.2727 – Meetings of Governing Bodies of Political Subdivisions

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1295 (2023), officials from **Cole County** assumed this proposal would have a fiscal impact of up to \$622.18 per meeting. This amount is based on the compensation of department directors and senior staff members who are required to attend County Commission meetings, which are scheduled at least weekly. This results in an annual cost of \$32,353 of staff time that may not be productive. This number does not include compensation of any elected officials who may also be required to attend.

Officials from the **Missouri Highway Patrol, City of Kansas City, Phelps County Sheriff's Office, Kansas City Police Department** and **St. Louis County Police Department** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to similar legislation, HB 2206 (2025), officials from **City of Osceola, Jackson County, and Branson Police Department** each assumed the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1295 (2023), officials from **City of Springfield** assumed the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Oversight assumes this proposal sets out requirements by July 1, 2027, for local political subdivisions (LPS) to adopt meeting speaker policies to ensure certain requirements of the proposal are followed at each meeting of the governing body of the LPS. Oversight assumes the local political subdivisions could absorb any additional costs related to this proposal. Therefore, Oversight will reflect no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Oversight only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other cities, counties and local law enforcement agencies 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.

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.

<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>

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

Cole County
Missouri Highway Patrol
City of Kansas City
City of Osceola
Jackson County
Phelps County Sheriff's Office
Branson Police Department
Kansas City Police Department

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