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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 6045H.02I
Bill No.: HB 2903
Subject: Hospitals; Counties; Health Care
Type: Original
Date: April 15, 2026

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to hospitals.

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 <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
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
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

§§205.170, 205.190 & 205.191 – County Hospitals

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1104 (2025), officials from **Cass Regional Medical Center** stated, while there could be a savings in moving meeting requirements from monthly to quarterly from a standpoint of meals provided \$480, the bill is overly broad in limiting who can serve on the board. The board is required to have conflict of interest statements in place. Eliminating anyone who is employed in healthcare or by a healthcare entity would require a current board member who has a clinical background and is a community member from serving.

Oversight assumes any savings would be immaterial.

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1104 (2025), officials from **McDonald County** 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.

Oversight assumes this proposal outlines who may be a trustee on the board for a hospital, changes the meeting requirements from at least once a month to once quarterly, filing an annual financial report and how to handle records of the hospital. Oversight assumes these are procedural changes that are being codified in statute and will have no direct fiscal impact for this proposal.

§206.090 – Hospital Districts

Oversight assumes this section outlines who may be a director (elected or appointed) in a hospital district. Oversight assumes these are procedural changes that are being codified in statute and will have no direct fiscal impact for this proposal.

Responses regarding the proposed legislation as a whole

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1104 (2025), 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.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri Ethics Commission, Platte County Board of Elections, St. Louis City Board of Elections, St. Louis County Board of Elections, Newton County Health Department** and the **Office of the State Auditor** 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 similar legislation, HCS for HB 1104 (2025), officials from the **Jackson County Election Board** and the **Kansas City Election Board** 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.

Oversight only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other counties, county health departments, hospitals and nursing homes 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

Cass Regional Medical Center
Department of Health and Senior Services
Missouri Ethics Commission
Office of the State Auditor
Newton County Health Department
McDonald County
Attorney General's Office
Office of the Secretary of State
Jackson County Election Board
Kansas City Election Board
Platte County Board of Elections
St. Louis City Board of Elections
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