

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 6479H.011
Bill No.: HB 3051
Subject: Motor Vehicles; Department of Revenue
Type: Original
Date: February 1, 2026

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the Missouri Motor Vehicle Commission.

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

§§301.550, 30.552 & 301.553 – Missouri Motor Vehicle Commission

Officials from the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume this legislation will require a transfer of approximately 25 FTE from the Department of Revenue to the newly created Missouri Motor Vehicle Commission. The FTE will continue to be paid from the Motor Vehicle Commission Fund (1588); therefore, Oversight will not reflect a fiscal impact.

Oversight notes there was a balance of \$483,182 in the Motor Vehicle Commission Fund as of December 31, 2025. Oversight assumes any appropriations for the 25 FTE will transfer from the Department of Revenue to the Missouri Motor Vehicle Commission.

Officials from the **Missouri Senate, Department of Public Safety-Missouri Highway Patrol** and **Missouri Department of Transportation** 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.

Rule Promulgation

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume this proposal is not anticipated to cause a fiscal impact beyond its current appropriation.

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

Small motor vehicle and boat dealers could be impacted as a result of this proposal.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This bill establishes the "Missouri Motor Vehicle Commission". The Commission will be responsible for the licensing of all motor vehicle manufacturers, motor vehicle dealers, boat dealers, wholesale motor vehicle auctions, public motor vehicle auctions, and wholesale motor vehicle dealers. The Commission's main office must be in Jefferson City, with quarters and other necessary space to be provided by the Office of Administration.

The bill transfers all powers and duties of the Department of Revenue related to the licensure of dealers, manufacturers, and auctions contained in Sections 301.550-301.580, RSMo, to the Commission by Type III transfer as provided by the Reorganization Act of 1974. The Director of the Department of Revenue will have no supervision, authority, or control over the actions or decisions of the Commission or the Director of the Commission.

The Department and the Commission must collaborate to ensure proper administration to promote compliance with laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations relating to the conduct of specified dealers and auctions and jointly manage and utilize the funds of the Commission and motor vehicle and driver license system for the purpose of dealer licensing, which must include, but not be limited to, activities related to compliance, investigations, and dealer licensing operations.

The Commission will have nine members, with not more than five from the same political party. Membership is further specified in the bill. The Commission must elect a chair and a secretary for one-year terms, with meetings held at least quarterly. A quorum of five members must be present to conduct business. Members will receive no salary or other compensation except their

necessary and actual travel and related expenses to perform their duties.

All orders and decisions of the Commission must be in writing and signed by the current chair. All officials, employees, and individuals providing information or participating in Commission operations will be immune from civil liability so long as their actions were performed in good faith, without malice, and were reasonable related to the scope of the commission's inquiry.

The Commission must employ an executive director, whose duties are specified in the bill. The Commission may employ other necessary staff to fulfill their duties and responsibilities. The annual salary of the executive director must be set according to the State uniform classification system and must not be lower than range G14 as defined by that system.

The Commission will have the authority to mitigate complaints, hold hearings, arbitrate any disputes involving dealers, and assess punitive fines and damages which must be deposited into the Motor Vehicle Commission Fund.

Currently, the sale of six or more vessels or vessel trailers or both are required as evidence that a person is eligible to be licensed as a boat dealer, and the sale of six or more trailers is required as evidence that a person is eligible to be registered as a trailer dealer.

This bill increases the requirements from six to eight, which matches the requirement to be licensed as a motor vehicle dealer.

Currently, dealers are divided into nine classes, including boat dealers, used motor vehicle dealers, and recreational motor vehicle dealers. This bill adds public motor vehicle auctions as an additional class.

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

Department of Revenue
Office of the Secretary of State
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules

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