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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 6586H.02C  
 Bill No.: HCS for HB 3116  
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Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to civil jurisprudence.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
General Revenue*/**	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0 or (Unknown)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>

\*Unknown potential increase in costs for DOC assumed to exceed \$250,000 annually if incurred.

\*\*Potential increase in costs for OSCA assumed to be less than \$250,000 annually.

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
State Highways and Transportation Department	(\$233,316)	(\$274,563)	(\$280,054)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>(\$233,316)</b>	<b>(\$274,563)</b>	<b>(\$280,054)</b>

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)**

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
State Highways and Transportation Department Fund	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>1 FTE</b>	<b>1 FTE</b>	<b>1 FTE</b>

- 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
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

#### §§287.200 and 287.470 – Worker’s Compensation

Officials from the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 3072 (2026), officials from the **City of Kansas City and Joint Committee on Public Employee Retirement** each assumed the proposal would have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to similar legislation, HB 3072 (2026), officials from the **City of O’Fallon** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

**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.

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 3072 (2026), officials from **Northwest Missouri State University** assumed that if an employee dies due to a workers compensations the University could be liable to pay the employees' survivors for life.

**Oversight** notes that this legislation does not change an employer’s liability responsibilities and only addresses administrative procedures related to changes in attorneys handling the cases. Therefore, for purposes of this fiscal note, Oversight will reflect no fiscal impact resulting from the legislation.

#### §§347.044, 347.143 and 347.186 – Limited Liability Companies

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 1713 (2026), officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA)** stated HCS for HB 1713 may have some impact but there is no way to quantify that amount currently. Any significant changes will be reflected in future budget requests.

**Oversight** notes OSCA assumes this proposal may have some impact on their organization although it can’t be quantified at this time. As OSCA is unable to provide additional information regarding the potential impact, Oversight assumes the proposed legislation will have a \$0 or (Unknown) cost to the General Revenue Fund. For fiscal note purposes, Oversight also assumes the impact will be under \$250,000 annually. If this assumption is incorrect, this would alter the fiscal impact as presented in this fiscal note. If additional information is received, Oversight will review it to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek approval to publish a new fiscal note.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1713 (2026), officials from the **Office of Attorney General (AGO)** assumed any potential litigation costs arising from this proposal could 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.

In response to similar legislation, HCS for HB 2508 (2026), officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** stated there are roughly 3,500 active individual series, many of which are not profiled. It takes roughly 5-10 minutes to profile and ensure that each individual series is searchable. This is equivalent to 290-585 hours of work (.25-.5 FTE). This cost can be absorbed.

This proposal allows each series to receive a Good Standing Certificate. As the current system is to allow one Certificate of Good Standing given to an LLC to be applied to all series created under the LLC, it is unknown how many companies will want to purchase these Certificates of Good Standing for each series.

The SOS reserves the right to offset or request additional resources for estimated fiscal note impacts during the budget process.

**Oversight** assumes the proposal could result in additional filings and requests for certificates of good standing related to the series of limited liability companies. Any increase in filing fee revenue is indeterminate and dependent upon the number of businesses electing to form series under this section but is not expected to be significant. Therefore, Oversight will reflect no impact in the fiscal note for this provision.

#### §§506.290, 510.030, and 515.625 – Civil Jurisprudence

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State** assumed the proposal would 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 for this agency.

#### §§510.500, 510.503, 510.506, 510.509, 510.512, 510.515, 510.518, and 510.521 – Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety-Missouri Highway Patrol (MHP)** state this proposal authorizes an alternative dispute resolution program, similar to federal court, and creates a Uniform Depositions and Discovery Act in §§510.500 to 510.521. With this proposed legislation the MHP anticipates an increased workload related to foreign subpoenas and/or discovery requests. There may also be increased litigation costs associated with non-party

subpoena and discovery responses. These increased costs would likely cause a direct impact on the Patrol because the Missouri Attorney General's Office does not normally represent the Patrol in such cases. Many of these non-party legal matters would likely involve some of the over 30,000 motor vehicle crashes the Patrol investigates each year. As a result of the expected workload increase, the Patrol forecasts the need to add one Legal Counsel FTE.

The MHP estimates one FTE Legal Counsel plus equipment and expense would be a cost to the State Highways and Transportation Department Fund (1644) of up to \$233,316 for FY 2027; \$274,563 for FY 2028 and \$280,054 for FY 2029.

**Oversight** has no information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will present the fiscal impact of this proposal as the amount provided by the MHP.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** state this legislation provides a mechanism by which a foreign subpoena could be issued, served, and enforced on a person or entity in Missouri.

It is unknown if and when any of the DOC's offenders or staff would be subpoenaed. Therefore, the department is unable to project a fiscal cost and assumes a (\$0 – Unknown) fiscal impact. It is further assumed the unknown fiscal impact could exceed the \$250,000 threshold.

**Oversight** has no information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will range the fiscal impact of this proposal as provided by the DOC as \$0 or Unknown cost to General Revenue. Oversight assumes if DOC experiences an impact, that the impact to General Revenue could exceed \$250,000 annually.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1711 (2026), officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA)** stated this proposal may have some fiscal impact but there is no way to quantify that amount currently. Any significant changes will be reflected in future budget requests.

**Oversight** notes OSCA assumes this proposal may have some impact on their organization although it can't be quantified at this time. As OSCA is unable to provide additional information regarding the potential impact, Oversight assumes the proposed legislation will have a \$0 or (Unknown) cost to the General Revenue Fund. For fiscal note purposes, Oversight also assumes the impact will be under \$250,000 annually. If this assumption is incorrect, this would alter the fiscal impact as presented in this fiscal note. If additional information is received, Oversight will review it to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek approval to publish a new fiscal note.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1711 (2026), 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.

Bill as a Whole

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Administrative Hearing Commission, 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 Revenue, Department of Public Safety, Divisions of: Director's Office, Missouri Gaming Commission, Missouri Veterans Commission and State Emergency Management Agency, Department of Social Services. Missouri Department of Agriculture, Missouri Department of Conservation, Missouri Department of Transportation, Missouri National Guard, Office of Administration, Office of the State Public Defender, Office of the State Treasurer, University of Missouri System, St. Louis County Board of Elections, Newton County Health Department, Phelps County Sheriff, Kansas City Police Department, St. Louis County Police Department, County Employees' Retirement Fund, Kansas City Civilian Police Employees' Retirement, Kansas City Police Retirement System, Public Education Employees' Retirement System, Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District, South River Drainage District, Wayne County Public Water Supply District #2, University of Central Missouri, Joint Committee on Administrative Rules, Legislative Research, Missouri Senate, Missouri Lottery Commission, Missouri State Employee's Retirement System and the State Tax Commission** 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.

Officials from the **Department of Natural Resources** defer to the Office of Administration for response regarding the potential fiscal impact of this proposal on their organization.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1711 (2026), officials from the **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning, Department of Public Safety, Divisions of: Alcohol & Tobacco Control, Capital Police and Fire Safety, Office of the Governor, Missouri Ethics Commission, City of Kansas City, Platte County Board of Elections, St. Louis City Board of Elections, Metro St. Louis Sewer District Employees Pension Plan, Sheriff's Retirement System, Northwest Missouri State University, Office of the Lieutenant Governor, Office of the State Auditor, Missouri House of Representatives, and Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan** 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.

In response to similar legislation, SB 1386 (2026), officials from the **Little Blue Valley Sewer District** assumed the proposal would 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 for this agency.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
<b>GENERAL REVENUE</b>			
<u>Cost – OSCA (various sections)</u> Potential increase in costs p.3 & 5	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0 or (Unknown)
<u>Cost – DOC (§§510.500 to 510.521)</u> Increase in deposition and discovery costs p.5	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0 or (Unknown)	\$0 or (Unknown)
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 or (Unknown)</b>
<b>STATE HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT FUND (1644)</b>			
<u>Cost – DPS/MHP (§§510.500 to 510.521) p.4-5</u>			
Personal service	(\$119,260)	(\$145,974)	(\$148,894)
Fringe benefits	(\$105,056)	(\$128,589)	(\$131,160)
Equipment and expense	(\$9,000)	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Costs – DPS/MHP</b>	<b>(\$233,316)</b>	<b>(\$274,563)</b>	<b>(\$280,054)</b>
FTE Change – DPS/MHP	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE STATE HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT FUND</b>	<b>(\$233,316)</b>	<b>(\$274,563)</b>	<b>(\$280,054)</b>
Estimated Net FTE Change on the State Highways and Transportation Department Fund	1 FTE	1 FTE	1 FTE

<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

This proposal may impact small business limited liability companies. (§§347.044, 347.143 and 347.186)

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The bill permits the Labor and Industrial Relations Commission to change the name, information, or fee arrangement of the attorney or law firm representing a claimant upon the filing of a written agreement, signed by both the claimant and the attorney and the new attorney, with the Commission.

This bill allows for any person to apply to the Secretary of State (SOS) for a certificate of good standing for a domestic limited liability company (LLC) or a foreign LLC. The requirements to receive a certificate of good standing from the SOS are outlined in the bill. A certificate of good standing issued by the SOS will be prima facie evidence that the domestic or foreign LLC exists and is authorized to transact business in this State.

Current law allows an LLC to establish one or more designated series with separate rights, powers, and liabilities. Each series can hold assets and incur debts that are enforceable only against the assets of that series.

Further, the current law allows an operating agreement to establish one or more designated series of members, managers, or interests, each of which may have separate rights, powers, duties, business purposes, investment objectives, and liabilities distinct from the LLC or other series. Debts, liabilities, and obligations incurred by a series are enforceable only against the assets of that series if the records of the series are maintained separately and the articles of organization contain notice of such limitation.

This bill requires that no later than January 31, 2027, each series to be individually profiled and searchable on the SOS's business entity database and authorizes a series to obtain a separate certificate of good standing.

Currently, a limited liability company (LLC) can be dissolved by a decree of the circuit court located in the county of the registered office of the LLC upon application by or for a member of the LLC when it is not reasonably practicable to carry on business in conformity with the operating agreement.

This bill expands this provision to also allow the court to dissolve an LLC:

- (1) When dissolution is reasonably necessary for protection of the rights or interests of complaining members;
- (2) When the business of the LLC has been abandoned;
- (3) The management of the LLC is deadlocked or subject to internal dissension;
- (4) The business operations of the LLC are substantially impaired; or
- (5) Those in control of the LLC have been found guilty of, or have knowingly allowed, persistent and pervasive fraud, mismanagement, or abuse of authority.

This bill updates current statute to include "or her" in those rather than "his" and makes other technical changes.

This bill establishes the "Uniform Interstate Depositions and Discovery Act". The bill specifies the procedures and processes for the submission of a foreign subpoena that originates in a state other than Missouri, and the processes by which Missouri county clerks must administer foreign subpoenas.

These provisions apply to requests for discovery in cases pending August 28, 2026.

Currently, when a lawsuit is filed against non-resident motorists, there are certain rules to determine which venue is proper to bring such a suit. This bill updates the range of Sections under which lawsuits of this nature are brought.

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  
    Alcohol & Tobacco Control

Capitol Police  
Fire Safety  
Director's Office  
Missouri Highway Patrol  
Missouri Gaming Commission  
Missouri Veterans Commission  
State Emergency Management Agency  
Department of Social Services  
Office of the Governor  
Missouri Ethics Commission  
Missouri Department of Agriculture  
Missouri Department of Conservation  
Missouri Department of Transportation  
Missouri National Guard  
Joint Committee on Public Employee Retirement  
Office of Administration  
Office of the State Courts Administrator  
Office of the State Public Defender  
Office of the Secretary of State  
Office of the State Treasurer  
University of Missouri System  
City of O'Fallon  
City of Kansas City  
Platte County Board of Elections  
St. Louis City Board of Elections  
St. Louis County Board of Elections  
Newton County Public Health Department  
Phelps County Sheriff  
Kansas City Police Department  
St. Louis County Police Department  
County Employees' Retirement Fund  
Kansas City Civilian Police Employees' Retirement  
Kansas City Police Retirement System  
Metro St. Louis Sewer District Employees Pension Plan  
Public Education Employees' Retirement System  
Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District  
South River Drainage District  
Wayne County Public Water Supply District #2  
Little Blue Valley Sewer District  
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules  
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Missouri State Employee's Retirement System  
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