

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

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Subject: Children and Minors; Boards, Commissions, Committees, Councils; Public Safety.
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FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
General Revenue	(\$91,612)	(\$59,055)	(\$60,553)
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(\$91,612)	(\$59,055)	(\$60,553)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
None			
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 6 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
None			
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Office of Information Technology** and the **Office of Attorney General** each assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)** state this proposal establishes both local and statewide abduction-alert programs. MoDOT states it is not designated as a state-emergency-alert-system broadcaster, however, MoDOT can voluntarily utilize its message devices (Changeable Message Signs and Dynamic Message Signs) for displaying abduction-alert messages. MoDOT assumes that it will not purchase new devices for the primary purpose of displaying such messages, and therefore, assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

Officials from the **Office of Secretary of State (SOS)** assume there would be costs due to additional publishing duties related to the Department of Public Safety's authority to promulgate rules, regulations, and forms. SOS estimates the division could require as many as 10 new pages of regulations in the Code of State Regulations at a cost of \$27.00 per page, and 15 new pages in the Missouri Register at a cost of \$23.00 per page. Costs due to this proposal are estimated to be \$615, however, the actual fiscal impact would be dependent upon the actual rule-making

authority and may

ASSUMPTION (continued)

be more or less. Financial impact in subsequent fiscal years would depend entirely on the number, length, and frequency of the rules filed, amended, rescinded, or withdrawn. SOS does not anticipate the need for additional staff as a result of this proposal, however, the enactment of more than one similar proposal may, in the aggregate, necessitate additional staff.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol (MHP)** state their Division of Drug and Crime Control (DDCC) would require 1 FTE as a result of this legislation. Duties would include serving as coordinator for the AMBER alert program, running the program for small agencies, verifying the accuracy of data provided, maintaining the rules, creating, maintaining and purging files and maintaining statistics on the program.

In addition, it would be necessary for the current staff to develop an initial set of rules. Since this is one-time only, the MHP's DDCC assumes it could be handled through overtime, rather than with an additional or part-time FTE. Therefore, an overtime cost of approximately \$2,080 (\$13.00 x 160 hrs) would be incurred.

The MHP assumes the cost to implement this proposal would be \$91,612 in the first year (which includes the purchase of car and other necessary equipment for the new FTE), and then roughly \$60,000 per year thereafter.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Director's Office** state that their department would be responsible to coordinate with local law enforcement agencies and public commercial television and radio broadcasters. Currently, the Highway Patrol coordinates the Missouri ALERT system, therefore this proposal would not fiscally impact the Director's Office.

Officials from the **Taney County Sheriff's Office** and the **Springfield Police Department** state this proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

Officials from the **Columbia Police Department, Kansas City Police Department, the Monroe County Sheriff** and the **Buchanan County Sheriff** did not respond to our request for

fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Costs - Missouri Highway Patrol</u>			
Personal Service (1 FTE)	(\$27,275)	(\$33,549)	(\$34,387)
Fringe Benefits	(\$17,251)	(\$21,220)	(\$21,750)
Equipment and Expenses	<u>(\$47,086)</u>	<u>(\$4,286)</u>	<u>(\$4,416)</u>
<u>Total Costs - Missouri Highway Patrol</u>	(\$91,612)	(\$59,055)	(\$60,553)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$91,612)</u>	<u>(\$59,055)</u>	<u>(\$60,553)</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal creates a statewide alert system that encompasses all entities opting not to have a local AMBER Alert program. The second part addresses existing programs and sets minimum standards for the programs.

STATEWIDE AMBER ALERT SYSTEM - The Department of Public Safety (DPS) shall develop a program whereby the state will be divided into regions. These regions are a coordinated effort between local law enforcement agencies and local media within the region. If a local entity does not have an alert system in place, DPS will notify local media in their region, who by prearranged plan

will issue an alert.

DESCRIPTION (continued)

In the event that there is credible evidence that an abduction suspect has traveled or is traveling out of one AMBER jurisdiction, DPS will coordinate the activation of other AMBER Alerts in the vicinity where the abductor is thought to be heading.

EXISTING LOCAL PROGRAMS - Currently existing AMBER programs operating as of the effective date of this bill will be exempted.

Local programs coming online after the effective date of the law will need to conform with the following standards: (a) will only be activated in cases where there is a credible threat of serious bodily injury or death; (b) will not be activated in custodial disputes unless there is the credible threat of serious bodily injury or death; and (c) there are sufficient details as to the abduction as to make the activation of the system useful.

Participation in an AMBER Alert Program is entirely at the option of the local law enforcement agency.

This legislation is not federally mandated and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space. The proposal may duplicate other programs that are currently in place. Alert Missouri, similar to the AMBER Alert program, is administered by the Department of Public Safety and was issued by Executive Order 02-17.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Public Safety
Director's Office
Missouri Highway Patrol
Office of Administration
Office of the Attorney General
Office of the Secretary of State
Department of Transportation
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NOT RESPONDING: **Columbia Police Department, Kansas City Police Department,
Monroe County Sheriff, Buchanan County Sheriff**



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