COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3546-02 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 1005

Subject: Business and Commerce; Public Service Commission; Telecommunications

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: January 23, 2004

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
Total Estimated Net Effect on All				
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Economic Development - Public Service Commission (PSC)** state that companies regulated under Section 392.245, RSMo have submitted rate changes to the PSC with the assumption that rates submitted pursuant to Section 392.245 are presumed just and reasonable upon submission. This premise was recently challenged because of references to the provisions of Section 392.200 within the text of Section 392.245. The bill adds language to clarify that only Subsections 2 through 5 of Section 392.200 are applicable to the review of rates submitted pursuant to Section 392.245; thus, all rate changes submitted pursuant to Section 392.245 are presumed just and reasonable upon submission to the Commission.

PSC is not requesting additional resources due to this proposal.

Officials of the **Department of Economic Development - Office of the Public Counsel (OPC)** state although this bill has some impact on OPC, OPC should be able to absorb the changes; however, if the requirements of this bill are combined with additional requirements or changes OPC may incur a fiscal impact.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<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 clarifies the opportunity for an incumbent, local exchange telecommunications company to change its rates by filing tariffs with the Public Service Commission and provided the change is consistent with Subsections 2 through 5 of Section 392.200, RSMo.

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

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