

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5461S.01I
Bill No.: SB 1128
Subject: Counties; County Government; County Officials
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Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to compensation for county coroners.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
Local Government	\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)	\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)	\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)

FISCAL ANALYSIS**ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the various counties did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact regarding this proposal. **Oversight** assumes §§50.327 & 58.095 state the county commission is responsible for determining the salary for the county coroner in non-charter counties. Section 58.095 contains the base schedule of salaries as determined by the assessed valuation of the county. Section 50.327 adds an additional salary increase of up to \$14,000 on top of the base schedule if approved by the county commission. Oversight is unclear of how much each county coroner receives in salary. However, there are 109 non-charter counties that could be considered for the additional funds in section 58.095 (if approved by the appropriate county commission). Oversight assumes if all of these counties approved the \$14,000 increase, this could be up to \$1,526,000 in increased salaries for coroners. However, Oversight assumes no action to increase coroner's salaries would take place without the approval by the county commission. Therefore, Oversight will assume a cost of \$0 (no salary increases) or up to \$1,526,000 (salary increases approved in every non-charter county) for coroners for this proposal.

Oversight only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other counties were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A listing of political subdivisions included in the Missouri Legislative Information System database is available upon request.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2023 (10 Mo.)	FY 2024	FY 2025
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2023 (10 Mo.)	FY 2024	FY 2025
COUNTY FUNDS			
<u>Cost – potential salary increases for county coroners</u>	<u>\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON COUNTY FUNDS	<u>\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)</u>	<u>\$0 or up to (\$1,526,000)</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

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

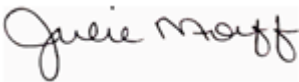
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Under current law, the salary schedule for a county coroner in a noncharter county is set as a base schedule by the salary commission. This act excludes the county coroner from the base schedule set by the salary commission and provides that the salary of a coroner in a noncharter county shall be set as a base schedule as provided by law subject to an increase up to \$14,000 greater upon the majority approval of the county commission. Additionally, the annual compensation of the coroner shall not be less than the annual compensation of the preceding year except upon a 2/3 vote of all the members of the county commission.

Finally, this act repeals provisions relating to percentages of the maximum allowable salaries for noncharter county coroners and also repeals provisions relating to additional compensation for a county coroner when performing certain services.

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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