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FISCAL NOTE

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 Bill No.: SB 1197
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Bill Summary: This proposal enacts the "Alexander Whalen Safe Highways Act"
 pertaining to wrong-way vehicle detection systems.

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
State Road Fund (1320)	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)

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

§226.1250 – Alexander Whalen Safe Highways Act

Officials from the **Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT)** assume this bill would require the installation of wrong-way vehicle detection systems at certain locations throughout the state.

- \$100,000 one-time per site for installation
- \$10,000 per site per year for maintenance and replacement costs
- \$75,000 per year for operational costs, including software

MoDOT assumes 1 to 5 locations might be identified per year. This would result in a first-year impact to the State Road Fund of \$185,000 to 625,000.

Oversight does not have information to the contrary and therefore, Oversight will reflect the estimates as provided by MoDOT. Oversight assumes the fiscal impact will be ongoing as new sites could be identified each year.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
STATE ROAD FUND (1320)			
<u>Cost – MoDOT (§226.1250) Wrong-way vehicle detection system p.3</u>	(\$100,000 to \$500,000)	(\$100,000 to \$500,000)	(\$100,000 to \$500,000)
<u>Cost – MoDOT (§226.1250) Maintenance and replacement costs p.3</u>	(\$10,000 to \$50,000)	(\$10,000 to \$50,000)	(\$10,000 to \$50,000)
<u>Cost – MoDOT (§226.1250) Operational and software costs p.3</u>	(\$75,000)	(\$75,000)	(\$75,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE STATE ROAD FUND	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)	(\$185,000 to \$625,000)

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act establishes the "Alexander Whalen Safe Highways Act", requiring the Department of Transportation to implement wrong-way vehicle detection systems (WWVDSs), as defined in the act. Implementation shall begin no later than March 1, 2027, and shall prioritize certain interchanges, as specified in the act.

The Department shall evaluate the feasibility and effectiveness of notification systems for other drivers and for emergency responders. The Department shall also provide educational information to inform drivers about wrong-way driving risks and safety measures, and shall produce annual reports on the implementation and effectiveness of WWVDSs.

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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