

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5215H.07C
Bill No.: HCS for SS for SB 975
Subject: Ambulances and Ambulance Districts; Counties
Type: Original
Date: April 8, 2026

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to ambulance districts.

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
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 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

§§190.050, 190.051, 190.052, 190.070, 190.089 and 190.090 – Elections, Consolidations and Annexations for Ambulance Districts

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)** assume §190.089 of the proposed legislation requires the DHSS to prioritize and expedite any activities needed to facilitate an ambulance district consolidation upon voter approval.

The DHSS, Division of Regulation and Licensure's Bureau of Emergency Medical Services (BEMS) is responsible for the licensure of ambulance districts as authorized by §190, RSMo. The proposed legislation would require modifications to existing licensure processes to ensure compliance with the proposed §190.089, including revisions to the corresponding regulations. In addition, the Bureau would be required to submit applicable licensure applications to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) for review to ensure completeness in accordance with statutory requirements.

The Bureau may experience an increase in workload associated with processing ambulance district licensure applications, coordinating OIG reviews, and conducting initial licensure inspection and complaint investigations. Any additional work related to licensure, renewals, OIG coordination, or complaints resulting from the proposed legislation would be managed within the normal ebb and flow of the Bureau's existing work scope.

It is assumed that the DHSS can absorb the costs of this bill with current resources. However, if the workload significantly increased or other legislation was enacted, additional resources would be requested through the appropriation process.

Oversight assumes DHSS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes DHSS could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, DHSS could request funding through the appropriation process.

Officials from the **Eastern Clay Ambulance District** assume the proposal will have a fiscal impact but did not provide any additional information.

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health, Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director, Office of the Secretary of State, City of Kansas City, Platte County Board of Elections, St. Louis City Board of Elections, St. Louis County Board of Elections, Phelps County Sheriff's Office, Branson Police Department, Kansas City Police Department, St. Louis County Police Department** 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.

In response to similar legislation, HB 1541 (2025), officials from the **Jackson County Election Board** assumed the proposal will 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.

Oversight assumes this proposal is codifying in statute how the election for ambulance district directors and ambulance district consolidations and annexations shall be established within the state. Oversight assumes this proposal relates to procedural changes within statute and will have no fiscal impact.

Oversight only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other cities, local election authorities, counties, local law enforcement, fire protection districts and ambulance districts were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. Upon the receipt of additional responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

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

<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

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

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

Department of Health and Senior Services
Office of the Secretary of State
Department of Mental Health
Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director
City of Kansas City
Jackson County Election Board
Platte County Board of Elections
St. Louis City Board of Elections
St. Louis County Board of Elections
Phelps County Sheriff's Office
Branson Police Department
Kansas City Police Department
St. Louis County Police Department
State Tax Commission
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