

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 304-01  
Bill No.: SB 77  
Subject: Administrative Law, Attorneys, Courts, Workers Compensation  
Type: Original  
Date: January 16, 2001

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2002	FY 2003	FY 2004
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the following agencies assume that costs incurred as a result of the proposed legislation would be zero to minimal and could be absorbed within their respective budgets: **Office of State Courts Administrator, Department of Public Safety-Office of the Director, Missouri Department of Transportation, Department of Economic Development, Department of Public Safety-Office of the Adjutant General, Department of Health, Department of Agriculture, Office of Administration, Department of Public Safety-Missouri State Highway Patrol, Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Higher Education, Department of Insurance, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Department of Mental Health, Office of the Secretary of State, Department of Social Services-Division of Legal Services, and Department of Revenue**

Officials from the **Office of the Attorney General (AGO)** said this proposal could result in additional appeals from Administrative Tribunals if businesses are not represented by attorneys at that phase. Therefore, costs are unknown. **Oversight** assumes any additional costs would be minimal and could be met from existing resources.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses seeking relief in administrative hearings could experience a savings in legal expenses, as they would no longer be required to employ an attorney for such hearings.

## DESCRIPTION

The proposal would expand the effect of Supreme Court Rule 5.29 to proceedings before the Administrative Hearing Commission and Worker's Compensation Commission. This would allow non-attorney officers and employees of businesses to legally represent the business in these additional forums. The current rule provides for this kind of non-attorney representation only in proceedings before the state Division of Employment Security.

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

Office of State Courts Administrator  
Department of Public Safety-Office of the Director  
Missouri Department of Transportation  
Department of Economic Development  
Department of Public Safety-Office of the Adjutant General  
Department of Health  
Department of Agriculture  
Office of Administration  
Department of Public Safety-Missouri State Highway Patrol  
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education  
Department of Higher Education  
Department of Insurance  
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations  
Department of Mental Health  
Office of the Secretary of State  
Department of Social Services-Division of Legal Services  
Office of the Attorney General  
Department of Revenue

## NOT RESPONDING

Department of Natural Resources  
Department of Corrections



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