# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

# **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. NO.</u>: 595-01 <u>BILL NO.</u>: SB 123

**SUBJECT**: Firearms: Civil Procedures, Liability

TYPE: Original

<u>DATE</u>: January 23, 2001

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

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

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

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

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Public Safety-Missouri Highway Patrol** assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the Office of the Attorney General assume no fiscal impact to their office.

Officials of the City of Mexico, Springfield, and Hannibal assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the City of St. Louis assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the Kansas City Manager's Office assume no fiscal impact

Officials of the Cole County Commission assume no fiscal impact.

Officials of the **City of St.Charles** assume if their city would have a cause of action against a gun manufacturer, association, or dealer, that this proposal would cause a loss of revenue to the city by denying the city the right to sue to collect damages. Officials assume loss is unknown.

**Oversight** is not able to predict or estimate whether in the absence of this legislation if any political subdivision would receive any settlement from litigation, therefore, Oversight will show fiscal impact to local governments as \$0 to (Unknown).

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
	\$0	\$0	\$0
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2002 (10 Mo.)	FY 2003	FY 2004
Fiscal Impact to Local Governments from Prohibition on Gun Lawsuits.	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)	\$0 to (Unknown)

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#### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

# **DESCRIPTION**

This act provides that the design, marketing, manufacture or sale of firearms or ammunition is not an reasonably dangerous activity and does not constitute a nuisance per se. The act prohibits political subdivisions as well as the state, from instituting a lawsuit against any firearms or ammunition manufacturer relating to design, marketing, manufacture or sale to the public. The act allows actions regarding breach of contract or warranty for firearms or ammunition purchased by a state or political subdivision.

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 the Attorney General
Department of Public Safety- Missouri Highway Patrol
City of Mexico
City of St. Louis
Kansas City Manager's Office
City of Hannibal
City of St.Charles
City of Springfield
Cole County Commission

### **NOT RESPONDING:**

**Cities of:** Columbia, Cape Girardeau, Raytown, Florissant, Hazelwood, and Chesterfield and the **Counties of:** Greene, Jasper, Callaway, Cape Girardeau, Jefferson, Marion, Lincoln, St.Louis, and Jackson

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