COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>LR No.</u>: 1475-02 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 537

Subject: Election: Absentee Balloting

Type: Original Date: March 8, 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				
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0				

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Office of Secretary of State** stated there would be no fiscal impact to their office.

Officials of the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** stated that to implement this proposal, new absentee ballot applications would be needed. Officials stated that because they print these ballots from time to time this proposal would accelerate the process. Officials stated that cost could be as much as \$100 above what would have been spent.

Officials of the **St. Louis County Board of Election Commission** stated there would be no fiscal impact to the Board.

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
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

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DESCRIPTION

This act allows the sole caretakers of homebound voters to vote absentee. Absentee ballots of such caretakers do not need a notary seal.

This act also modifies the form of certain absentee ballots by adding the phrase "if applicable" under the lines provided for the notary seal.

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

Secretary of State Kansas City Board of Election Commission St. Louis County Board of Election Commission

NOT RESPONDING:

Cole County Clerk Callaway County Clerk Boone County Clerk Greene County Clerk Taney County Clerk Marion County Clerk Cape Girardeau County Clerk

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Director

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