

**COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION**

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1186-03  
Bill No.: Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed HCS for SB 325  
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Veterans  
Type: Original  
Date: May 9, 2003

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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2004</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2004</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>	<b>FY 2006</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
<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 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)</b>	<b>(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)</b>	<b>(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Veterans Commission** stated that this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agency

### Section 59.480

Officials from the **Jefferson County Recorder of Deeds** stated that their office already files discharges separate from the land records, etc. Copy requests (of which they have very few) via special form will cause no fiscal impact to their office.

Officials from the **Cass County Recorder of Deeds** indicated this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their office.

In response to a similar proposal, officials from the **Greene County Recorder's Office** indicated it would be difficult for their office to determine the fiscal impact of this proposal. Maintaining the required form would take more clerical time and file space. Computer programming changes would also have to be implemented to maintain a separate file for the military discharge images. Between January 2000 through December 2002, their office recorded 251 military discharges and

ASSUMPTION (continued)

made 720 certified copies for veterans.

**Oversight** assumes total costs to local recorder's offices would not exceed \$100,000.

Section 160.360

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** stated that they could not determine the number of diplomas to be issued, but indicated there would be costs related to issuing diplomas, amending the application procedure, and to publicize the program. DESE anticipated costs could likely exceed \$100,000.

**Oversight** assumes that, based on the limited number of additional of war veterans and civilian POWs that might participate in the program, any costs to DESE associated with the program could be absorbed.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)		FY 2006
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2004 (10 Mo.)	FY 2005	FY 2006
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**LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

Cost - Records of Deeds - Costs of maintaining certain documents (Section 59.480)

(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)	(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)	(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)
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**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

<u>(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)</u>	<u>(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)</u>	<u>(Unknown - Not Expected to Exceed \$100,000)</u>
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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

#### Section 59.480

This proposal would enact new provisions which regard the county recorder of deeds' responsibilities pertaining to the filing of certified military discharge documents, including a prohibition on any reproduction or use of military discharge documents for any commercial or speculative purposes.

#### Section 59.490 (REPEAL)

The proposal repeals current law requiring the recorder to maintain a list of all military discharges and requiring the records to be open to the public.

#### Section 160.360

Current law permits veterans of both world wars and the Korean War who entered the military before graduating from high school to receive an honorary high school diploma. This proposal deletes references to specific wars to permit any veteran who left high school to enter the military to apply for an honorary diploma.

#### Section 170.049

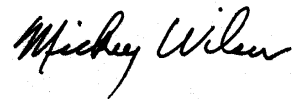
This proposal requires the board of each public school district to require each district school to devote one class period to an observance of the significance of Veterans Day.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education  
Department of Public Safety  
Missouri Veterans Commission  
County Recorder of Deeds:  
Cass County  
Jefferson County  
Greene County

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