COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0442-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SJR 4

Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Education, Proprietary; Buses; Children

and Minors

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: March 7, 2005

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
General Revenue	\$0	(\$38,670)	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	(\$38,670)	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** indicated this proposal would have no fiscal impact on their agency or on school districts.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Division of Budget and Planning (BAP)** stated this proposed legislation should not result in additional costs or savings to BAP.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assume statewide newspaper publication of state statutes cost approximately \$1,289 per column inch based on an estimate provided by the Missouri Press Service. Three printings are required by the Constitution and state statute; therefore publication cost would total \$3,867 per column inch. SOS estimates the total number of column inches for this amendment to be 10 inches including title header and certification paragraph. ($$3,867 \times 10 = $38,670$). Costs are based on 2004 figures and are subject to change.

Officials from the **Columbia Public School District (CSD)** assume the private schools will operate 176 days as the regular school term and their schedule will be the same attendance days as the Columbia School District. CSD estimates the initial cost will be at least 7 additional routes at an annual cost of \$239,808, of which approximately \$143,884 will be from district local tax resources and the remainder from state reimbursement. In addition, CSD assumes that with

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additional routes without specific attendance areas the district transportation efficiency factor will decrease thereby shifting the transportation cost to local tax payers rather than state transportation reimbursement. This is an unknown amount at the present time.

Oversight assumes that since the language in the proposal is permissive and costs for transporting private school students are to be paid by those students, there will be no net fiscal impact to the school districts.

In response to an identical proposal from last session (SJR 32), officials from the **Mexico School District** anticipated no fiscal impact on the school district since the language is permissive and costs to school districts also has a provision which allows for charging individuals for the transportation service.

Officials from the **Kansas City**, **Nixa**, and **Saint Louis School Districts** did not response to a request for fiscal note.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Cost</u> - Secretary of State Publication costs	\$0	(\$38,670)	\$0
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON			
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>\$0</u>	<u>(\$38,670)</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
Income to School Districts - Reimbursement for transportation costs	\$0	Unknown	Unknown
<u>Cost to School Districts</u> - Transportation costs	<u>\$0</u>	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</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

This resolution places a proposed constitutional amendment before the voters to allow a school district to provide transportation for private school pupils, provided that any such pupil, or the pupil's parent or other guardian, reimburses the district for the proportionate share of the actual operating and capital expenses incurred in providing the transportation services.

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 Elementary and Secondary Education
Office of Secretary of State
Division of Elections
Office of Administration
Division of Budget and Planning
School Districts
Columbia
Mexico School District

NOT RESPONDING

School Districts
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