# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0468-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 13

Subject: Taxation and Revenue - Income; Revenue Dept; Treasurer, State; Military Affairs

<u>Type</u>: Original

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### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
General Revenue	(\$63,484)	\$0	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(\$63,484)	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008	
MO Military Family Relief Fund*	\$0	\$0	\$0	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

<sup>\*</sup>Assumes an unknown amount of contributions distributed to the fund annually.

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	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	

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

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

# **ASSUMPTION**

Officials of the **Office of Administration, Division of Budget and Planning (BAP)** assume this proposal has no impact on BAP. BAP assumes the following: In each tax year beginning January 1, 2005, a taxpayer entitled to a tax refund may designate a portion of that refund go to the newly created Missouri Military Family Relief Fund. This proposal would increase total state revenues. BAP has no basis for estimating the amount of contributions to this fund.

Officials of the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** state that their Division of Taxation will have to modify the MINITS and COINS systems to allow for the check-off to be added to the tax returns and for the accountability of the contributions. DOR assumes it will take 1,384 hours of programming on the MINITS system and 519 hours of programming on the COINS system, at a cost of \$63,484.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety** – **Missouri Veterans Commission** assumes that as much as \$100,000 in additional postage would required for service officers to assist veterans in preparing applications for Missouri Military Family Relief Fund grants. **Oversight** assumes that such assistance could be handled with existing or planned appropriations.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety – Adjutant General's Office (MNG)** did not respond to Oversight's request for fiscal impact. However, in response to substantially similar

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### <u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

legislation from a previous legislative session, MNG assumed it would administer the fund. MNG would develop the CSR applicable to the program and process grants to resident members of the National Guard and resident members of the reserve forces of the armed forces of the United States. Existing personnel would provide administrative services to support the program.

Officials of the **State Treasurer's Office (STO)** did not respond to Oversight's request for fiscal impact. However, in response to substantially similar legislation from a previous legislative session, STO assumed the legislation establishes a check-off on the front page of the tax return for contributions to the Missouri Military Family Relief Fund.

- in the state treasury
- administered by the adjutant general
- exempt from the biennial transfer
- retains interest earnings
- STO shall distribute moneys deposited in the fund to the Missouri Military Family Relief Fund.

STO currently does not make distributions, therefore STO requests one FTE at the Accounting Analyst I level plus the corresponding expense and equipment.

**Oversight** assumes STO's current staff can handle the increase in workload created by this proposal since this proposal would require twelve deposits a year and one distribution.

TOTAL ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$63,484)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Cost</u> - Dept. of Revenue Programming	(\$63,484)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(10 Mo.)		
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
MO MILITARY FAMILY RELIEF FUND			
<u>Income</u> - contributions	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
<u>Transfers Out</u> - to MO Military Families	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON MO MILITARY FAMILY RELIEF FUND	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u><b>\$0</b></u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u><b>\$0</b></u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

#### DESCRIPTION

This proposal creates a tax refund check-off on the Missouri income tax return. The money designated by the check-off will be deposited into the Missouri Military Family Relief Fund, to be administered by the adjutant general and distributed to the families of Missouri residents who are members of the National Guard or the reserves and have been called to duty as a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. The check-off is primarily for taxpayers who are to receive a refund. However, taxpayers who owe taxes or who have no tax liability or refund due may also contribute to the fund.

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 Revenue
Office of Administration
Division of Budget and Planning
Department of Public Safety
Missouri Veterans Commission
Office of the Adjutant General
State Treasurer's Office

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