# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3208-02 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 592

Subject: Victims of Crime; Criminal Procedure; Public Safety Department; Revenue

Department.

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: January 27, 2006

## **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
<b>Total Estimated</b>				
Net Effect on General Revenue				
Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Crime Victims Compensation	(\$700,000)	(\$700,000)	(\$700,000)	
State Forensic Laboratory	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	
Services to Victims	\$350,000	\$350,000	\$350,000	
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 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2007	FY 2008	FY 2009	
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator** assume the proposal would not fiscally impact the courts.

Officials from the **Department of Corrections**, **Department of Revenue**, **Department of Health and Senior Services** and the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DOLIR)** state this legislation allocates \$350,000 for the purpose of providing financial assistance to regional crime laboratories and another \$350,000 for the purpose of providing financial assistance for shelters for victims of domestic violence pursuant to 595.105. These amounts would be taken from the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund and therefore would reduce the money available in the fund by \$700,000.

The Crime Victims' Compensation program is subsidized through a federal grant and money collected from convictions in the courts. The money collected from convictions in the courts is split 50/50 between the Crime Victims' Compensation Program and the State Service to

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## ASSUMPTION (continued)

Victim's Program housed in the Department of Public Safety. The money received from the courts is completely dependent on the number of convictions and therefore fluctuates from year to year. Over the past few years, the amount of collections of court assessments has decreased. Additionally, the federal grant award amounts vary from year to year and may be declining in the future.

At this time, the DOLIR estimates the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund can absorb the \$700,000 loss without affecting claim payments. However, if money continues to be diverted from the fund, the program may not have enough money to continue to pay victims' of violent crimes.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Director's Office** assume the proposal would result in a \$700,000 annual loss to the Crime Victim's Compensation Fund.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
CRIME VICTIM'S COMPENSATION FUND			
<u>Transfer Out</u> - to the State Forensic Laboratory Fund	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)
<u>Transfer Out</u> - to the Services to Victims Fund	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)	(\$350,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE CRIME VICTIM'S COMPENSATION FUND	<u>(\$700,000)</u>	<u>(\$700,000)</u>	<u>(\$700,000)</u>

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government (continued)	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
STATE FORENSIC LABORATORY FUND			
<u>Transfer In</u> - from Crime Victim's Compensation Fund	<u>\$350,000</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>	\$350,000
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE STATE FORENSIC LABORATORY FUND	<u>\$350,000</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>
SERVICES TO VICTIMS FUND			
<u>Transfer In</u> - from Crime Victim's Compensation Fund	<u>\$350,000</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>	\$350,000
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE SERVICES TO VICTIMS FUND	<u>\$350,000</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>	<u>\$350,000</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2007 (10 Mo.)	FY 2008	FY 2009
	<u>\$0</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 requires the Director of the Department of Revenue to deposit \$350,000 into the State Forensic Laboratory Account to be used only by regional crime labs, in addition to the \$250,000 currently deposited into the account for use by any of the registered crime labs in the state to defray expenses.

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## **DESCRIPTION** (continued)

This proposal also requires the Director of the Department of Revenue to deposit \$350,000 into the Services to Victims' Fund to provide financial assistance to domestic violence shelters, agencies, and services, in addition to the other money currently deposited into the fund.

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 State Courts Administrator Department of Revenue Department of Public Safety Department of Health Department of Corrections

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