## COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0535-02 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 256

Subject: Crimes and Punishment; Public Safety Department; Children and Minors; Law

Enforcement Officers and Agencies.

<u>Type</u>: Original

<u>Date</u>: January 19, 2007

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to the investigation of Internet

sex crimes against children.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	
General Revenue	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)	(\$250,000)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	
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 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

- Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- □ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	
<b>Local Government</b>	\$242,500	\$242,500	\$242,500	

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### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety (DPS)** state they awarded 12 grants in FY 2007 with the current appropriation of \$250,000. Assuming this proposal adds another grant program, DPS assumes the need for a 1,000 hour Program Representative and associated expenses to provide oversight necessary for the expanded program. DPS assumes the cost of the part time employee to total roughly \$22,000 per year.

**Oversight** assumes with the passage of this proposal, the Department of Public Safety will establish another grant program with the focus of investigating Internet sex crimes against children and would have a similar fiscal impact as the grant program for multijurisdictional internet cyber crime law enforcement task forces. Since not more than three percent of the funding may be used by DPS to pay the administrative costs of the grant program, Oversight will assume DPS will be allowed administrative costs of \$7,500 (3% of \$250,000 - which will reduce the grant totals to \$242,500). Like the current funding for grants to multijurisdictional Internet cyber crime law enforcement task forces, Oversight will assume the funding will be made from the General Revenue Fund.

**Oversight** also assumes changing the statutes to allow these groups to use the grant moneys to purchase equipment (expanded from salaries and training) would not fiscally impact the state.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$250,000)</u>	<u>(\$250,000)</u>	<u>(\$250,000)</u>
Costs - Department of Public Safety Administrative costs allowed of 3% of grant totals	(\$7,500)	<u>(\$7,500)</u>	(\$7,500)
<u>Costs</u> - Department of Public Safety Grants to Multijurisdictional enforcement groups	(\$242,500)	(\$242,500)	(\$242,500)
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	\$242,500	\$242,500	\$242,500
<u>Income</u> - grants for multijurisdictional enforcement groups	\$242,500	<u>\$242,500</u>	<u>\$242,500</u>
LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS			
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010

#### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

#### **FISCAL DESCRIPTION**

Currently, multijurisdictional enforcement groups under Chapter 195, RSMo, are allowed to investigate computer, Internet-based, narcotics, and drug violations. This proposal changes the definition of such groups in Section 195.503, RSMo, to reflect this power. Under this act, multijurisdictional enforcement groups are allowed to received grant money to investigate internet sex crimes against children. The money cannot be used to pay any cost associated with investigating drug violations.

This act allows up to 3% of the money appropriated to the Department of Public Safety for the grant program to be used for administrative costs. This act has an emergency clause.

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

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