

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1404-01  
Bill No.: SB 330  
Subject: Courts: Deputy Circuit Clerks  
Type: Original  
Date: February 5, 2007

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Bill Summary: Requires each county to have at least one full-time Deputy Circuit Clerk.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010
General Revenue	\$0 to (\$5,386,421)	\$0 to (\$6,657,616)	\$0 to (\$6,857,344)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0 to (\$5,386,421)</b>	<b>\$0 to (\$6,657,616)</b>	<b>\$0 to (\$6,857,344)</b>

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

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>	<b>FY 2009</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>	<b>FY 2009</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>
General Revenue	0 to 114 FTE	0 to 114 FTE	0 to 114 FTE
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0 to 114 FTE</b>	<b>0 to 114 FTE</b>	<b>0 to 114 FTE</b>

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).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2008</b>	<b>FY 2009</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume the proposed legislation would mandate that there be one full-time Deputy Circuit Clerk in each county; however, the meaning of the legislation is somewhat unclear.

If it is the intent of the General Assembly to create a position of “Deputy Circuit Clerk” in each county, then we will assume that this position would be a Court Clerk V, ranked at pay range 21 Q, and the annual cost for placing one of these positions in each Missouri county would be \$5,386,421 and 114 FTE.

If it is the intent of the General Assembly to create a position of “Deputy Circuit Clerk” in only select counties, the cost would be \$0 to unknown.

Only upon further clarification, a more accurate estimate of cost can be determined. At this time, there is no appropriation to cover the cost of this additional expense.

**Oversight** will show costs to the Courts as \$0 to \$5,386,421. Costs would be dependant upon legislative intent.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<u>Cost</u> - Office of State Courts Administrator (OSCA)	\$0 to <u>(\$5,386,421)</u>	\$0 to <u>(\$6,657,616)</u>	\$0 to <u>(\$6,857,344)</u>
FTE Change - OSCA	0 to 114	0 to 114	0 to 114
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b><u>\$0 to</u></b> <b><u>(\$5,386,421)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 to</u></b> <b><u>(\$6,657,616)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 to</u></b> <b><u>(\$6,857,344)</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
	<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.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act requires each county to have at least one full-time Deputy Circuit Clerk  
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 State Courts Administrator

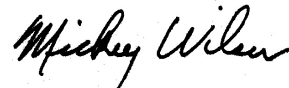
NOT RESPONDING

St. Louis City Circuit Clerk  
Jackson County Circuit Clerk  
Camden County Clerk  
Carroll County Clerk  
Cass County Clerk  
Clay County Clerk  
Laclede County Clerk  
Lafayette County Clerk  
Miller County Clerk  
New Madrid County Clerk  
Ozark County Commission  
Pemiscot County Clerk  
Perry County Clerk  
Phelps County Circuit Clerk

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Platte County Clerk  
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Scotland County Clerk



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