COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 2449-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 586

<u>Subject</u>: Conservation Department; Elections; Licenses - Miscellaneous

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: March 9, 2007

Bill Summary: This proposal allows hunting and fishing permit applicants to receive a

voter registration application form as part of the application for such

permits.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2008	FY 2009	FY 2010	
Conservation Fund	(Unknown over \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	(Unknown over \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)	

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	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Missouri Department of Conservation** (**MDC**) assume the exact fiscal impact of this proposed legislation is unknown, but would exceed \$100,000 annually. Most permits issued by MDC are sold through private vendors at retail locations who are paid a transaction fee for the sale. Assuming these vendors are required to collect voter registration information, reprogramming of platforms for MDC's electronic point-of-sale database, if feasible, would be necessary to accommodate the new functions. Many vendors will likely discontinue the service of selling hunting and fishing permits if required to take on the administrative tasks associated with voter registration. Additionally, vendors may insist upon a higher transaction fee to compensate for the additional duties required per permit transaction and MDC would be responsible for the expenses of collecting and transmitting voter registration information to the appropriate election authorities.

Officials at the **Platte County Board of Election Commission** and the **Kansas City Board of Election Commission** assume that there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

No other Election Board responded to **Oversight's** request for information.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** state many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$2,500. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain with the core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2008 (10 Mo.)	FY 2009	FY 2010
CONSERVATION FUND			
Cost - Conservation Fund Processing of voter registrations	(<u>Unknown over</u> \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON CONSERVATION FUND	(Unknown over \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)	(Unknown over \$100,000)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	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 allows hunting and fishing permit applicants to receive a voter registration application form as part of the application for such permits. Vendors are required to forward the applications to the election authority.

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 Conservation Platte County Board of Election Commission Kansas City Board of Election Commission Office of the Secretary of State

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