COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 3129-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 793

Subject: Roads and Highways; Transportation Department; Motor Vehicles; Law

Enforcement Officers and Agencies.

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: January 8, 2008

Bill Summary: This proposal allows the Department of Transportation to construct toll

roads under certain conditions.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	00	00	00	
Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
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 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
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 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Missouri Department of Transportation** (**MoDOT**) assume this legislation would provide MHTC with an alternative method to partially fund and build needed transportation facilities in the state. There would be no fiscal impact on MHTC/MoDOT from this legislation until MHTC decides to pursue the construction of a toll facility.

Oversight assumes this proposal would provide additional statutory parameters on the authority of the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission (MHTC) and Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) to build, improve, operate and maintain toll facilities. Oversight assumes this proposal would become effective upon passage of a constitutional amendment allowing toll roads. Oversight assumes this proposal would have no fiscal impact from this legislation on MHTC/MoDOT until MHTC/MoDOT decides to pursue construction of a toll facility. Oversight assumes that if this constitutional amendment is passed and MoDOT decides to pursue the construction of toll facilities that any costs incurred in the creation of the toll roads is outside the time period of this fiscal note.

Officials at the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** assume this proposal allows a court to issue an order to void a registration and prohibit subsequent registrations until all toll fees and fines/penalties have been paid if a motor vehicle owner is convicted for failing to pay a toll fee. DOR is unable to determine the actual number of individuals who pay toll fees, and subsequently unable to determine of those individuals that are convicted for not paying how many the court would order the registration voided.

DOR would require one (1) FTE and supporting expenses and equipment. This FTE will enter the suspensions. DOR would also incur costs for printing, envelopes and postage for each voided registration notice. Printing, envelopes and postage will cost \$.47 per voided registration. Once an individual has paid the required toll fee and fines/penalties they will be required to obtain a new set of plates. DOR would incur costs of \$3.04 per set of plates and tabs issued.

Oversight assumes that since this proposal gives MoDOT the option of using toll roads that DOR will only need additional employees and expenses if MoDOT chooses to build a toll road. At that time DOR could request funding through the appropriation process for the expenses of handling the voided registrations and uncollected tolls. Oversight assumes that DOR will have no fiscal impact from this legislation in the current fiscal years.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

Officials at the **Office of the State Treasurer** (**STO**) assume the state accounting system cannot handle accounting for separate accounts within a fund, consequently the STO does not distribute interest below this level. This may be an insignificant problem, since it appears that MoDOT can withdraw all moneys on deposit in the treasury and contract for their handling.

Officials at the **Office of the Attorney General** assume that any costs associated with this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources.

Officials at the **Department of Public Safety** stated the fiscal impact is unknown.

Officials at the Missouri Highway Patrol, State Tax Commission and the Office of the State Courts Administrator assume that there is no fiscal impact from this proposal for their departments.

Officials at the **Division of Budget and Planning** assume this proposal would not result in additional costs or savings to the Division of Budget and Planning.

Officials at the **Office of the Secretary of State** (**SOS**) assume each year a number of bills are considered by the General Assembly that would require statewide elections to allow the voters to decide the issues in the legislation. State statutes require that the Secretary of State's office is provided with \$4.3 million in general revenue core funding to handle such special elections. The appropriation had historically been an estimated appropriation because the final cost each year is dependent upon the number of special elections required to fill vacant legislative seats and the number of ballot measures approved by the General Assembly. However, in recent years an estimated appropriation has only been provided in presidential primary years. Therefore, the Secretary of State's office assumes for the purposes of this fiscal note that it should have the full appropriation authority it needs to meet these special election costs. However, we reserve the right to request funding if needed to meet these mandatory requirements.

Oversight assumes the proposal would be submitted to the voters in the general election in November 2008. **Oversight** assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of advertising the statewide ballot measure related to this proposal within their current appropriation level. If multiple bills pass or if multiple ballot initiatives are validated which require similar advertising at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<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

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

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 Attorney General
Office of the State Courts Administrator
Missouri Highway Patrol
Department of Public Safety
Office of the Secretary of State
Department of Revenue
Division of Budget and Planning
State Tax Commission
Missouri Department of Transportation
Office of the State Treasurer

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