

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0583-01
Bill No.: SB 129
Subject: Motor Vehicles; Buses; Licenses - Motor Vehicle; Roads and Highways
Type: Original
Date: January 22, 2009

Bill Summary: Prohibits school bus drivers from using wireless telephone or other electronic wireless communication devices while operating school buses on the highways

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
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 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
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 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on the courts.

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their agency or on local school districts.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director** and **Missouri State Highway Patrol** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Revenue** assume this proposed legislation will have a minimal fiscal impact on their agency. Program modifications will be required and the driver manual/website will require updating. **Oversight** assumes the minimal fiscal impact will be absorbed with existing resources.

Officials from the **Jefferson City School District** state this proposal does not appear to have fiscal impact on their district.

Officials from the **Marshfield School District** state this proposed legislation will impose a significant financial impact upon their district.

They use wireless communications systems to stay in constant contact with drivers while they are engaged in transporting students. They need to know immediately: if student is ill; a student is unruly to the extent that the bus cannot continue its route; if students have been duly picked up and dropped off; if there are issues related to the mechanical condition of a bus; as well as many other items of information necessary to protect children while they are on buses. If a driver is forbidden by law to use wireless communications, the district would have no choice but to hire co-pilots for the buses to be available to answer and transmit information back and forth between buses and the central office. If the state did not provide additional funding for these co-pilots or communications persons to ride these buses, then the district will have to use funds designated for instruction to accommodate the requirements of this proposal. **Oversight** assumes the proposed legislation does not prohibit the use of wireless communications so long as a bus is at a complete stop off the roadway or in the cases of an emergency situation. Therefore, Oversight will assign no cost to this proposal.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
 <u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	 FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	 FY 2011	 FY 2012
	<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.

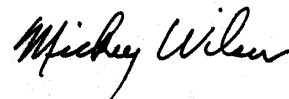
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

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 State Courts Administrator
Department of Revenue
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Department of Public Safety
 Office of the Director
 Missouri State Highway Patrol
School Districts
 Jefferson City
 Marshfield



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