COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 5603-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: HB 1647

Subject: Waste - Hazardous; Fees; Natural Resources

<u>Type</u>: Original

Date: February 22, 2012

Bill Summary: This proposal extends the time period for the collection of fees for

hazardous substances in the workplace from 20 years to 30 years.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Total Estimated Net Effect on				
General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Chemical Emergency Preparedness	\$665,020	\$798,024	\$798,024	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$665,020	\$798,024	\$798,024	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
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 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Missouri State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA)** assumes the current chemical preparedness fee will end August 28th, 2012. This proposal will allow the Missouri Emergency Response Commission (MERC) to continue to collect annual fees for hazardous material storage.

SEMA assumes an extension of the fee will allow continued support of safety training for first responders and local emergency planning commissions.

SEMA assumes each state is required to appoint a State Emergency Response Commission and collect Tier II data for planning and training of hazardous materials. Missouri has a fee that maintains this program with no cost to the state. If the fee expires, the state will continue to have to collect these forms as required by the Federal Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act, Title 42 Chapter 116.

SEMA state they have included these costs in its current budget and fees collected over the last two collections periods have increased by 2%.

SEMA assumes if the fee is extended the Department of Transportation and Department of Natural Resources will continue to pay their annual fees to the Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund.

SEMA assumes the following revenue deposited into the Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund from fee collections should the proposal become law.

FY13 = \$782,376 FY14 = \$798,024 FY15 = \$798,024

Oversight assumes the chemical preparedness fee is not federally required by the Federal Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act, Title 42 Chapter 116. However, the underlying program the fee supports is required by the federal act.

Oversight assumes this proposal is an extension of the chemical preparedness fee.

Oversight assumes a positive fiscal impact to the Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund as a result of this proposal as under current law the fee will expire August 28th, 2012.

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ASSUMPTION (Continued)

Officials at the **Department of Public Safety - Division of Fire Safety (DFS)** state chemical preparedness fees are collected for hazardous substances in the workplace and deposited in the Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund (0587) of which DFS currently receives 10% of funds collected from this program since its inception with a cap of \$100,000.

DFS has received on average \$72,000 - \$78,000 annually from this fee.

DFS state these funds are used to provide at no-cost hazardous materials training to emergency responders. DFS contracts with various providers of hazardous materials training to provide training to emergency hazardous materials responders. Funds support on average 35 training courses annually to 2,200 responders.

DFS state chemical preparedness fees are the only funding source for these training programs provided at no-cost to responders.

Officials at the **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** assumes this proposal would extend the chemical preparedness fee through August 28, 2022. Currently this fee is set to expire August 28, 2012.

DNR state the department does not have an appropriation for this fund, but currently, pursuant to section 640.235, 10% of all Natural Resource Damages (NRD) moneys collected by the department are required to be deposited into the chemical preparedness fund as referenced in this proposal.

DNR assumes if this fee is not extended, the 10% NRD requirement would still apply.

DNR assumes there is no fiscal impact from this proposed legislation.

Officials at the **Office of Administration - Division of Budget and Planning (BAP)** assumes this proposal extends the sunset for collection of hazardous waste fees which are deposited into the Chemical Emergency Preparedness Fund from August 28, 2012 to August 28, 2022. Collections of this fee totaled \$769,041 for Fiscal 2011.

BAP assumes this proposal will increase general and total state revenues by similar amounts in FY 13 and beyond.

BAP assumes the proposal should not result in additional costs or savings to BAP.

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ASSUMPTION (Continued)

Officials at the **Missouri Public Service Commission** assumes there is no fiscal impact from this proposed legislation.

Officials at the **Department of Transportation** did not respond to Oversight's request for fiscal impact.

	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON CHEMICAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND	<u>\$665,020</u>	<u>\$798,024</u>	<u>\$798,024</u>
Revenue - Chemical Preparedness Fee Extension	\$665,020	<u>\$798,024</u>	\$798,024
CHEMICAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND			
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2013 (10 Mo.)	FY 2014	FY 2015

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

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FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The collection of fees for hazardous waste in the workplace, which fund the Missouri Emergency Response Commission, is authorized until August 28, 2012. This bill extends the authorization until August 28, 2022.

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

NOT RESPONDING

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