COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 5711-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 772

Subject: Abortion; Drugs and Controlled Substances; Physicians;

Type: Original

Date: February 22, 2012

Bill Summary: Enacts provisions regarding the prescribing and administering of abortion-

inducing drugs.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
General Revenue	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other 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 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	

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the Office of State Courts Administrator, Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration, Department of Mental Health, Department of Health and Senior Services, Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol and Office of State Public Defender assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organizations.

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** state there is no anticipated state cost to the foundation formula associated with this proposal. To the extent fine revenues exceed 2004-2005 collections, any increase in this money distributed to school districts increases the deduction in the foundation formula the following year. Therefore, the affected districts will see an equal decrease in the amount of funding received through the formula the following year unless the affected districts are hold-harmless, in which case the districts will not see a decrease in the amount of funding received through the formula (any increase in fine money distributed to the hold-harmless districts will simply be additional money). An increase in the deduction (all other factors remaining constant) reduces the cost to the state of funding the formula.

Oversight assumes any increase or decrease in fine or penalty revenues generated cannot be determined. Therefore, the fiscal note does not reflect any fine or penalty revenues for the local school districts.

Officials from the **Office of Prosecution Services (OPS)** state the proposal would have no measurable fiscal impact on the OPS. The creation of a new crime creates additional responsibilities for county prosecutors which may in turn result in additional costs, but these costs are difficult to determine.

Oversight assumes there will not be a significant number of people who are not physicians knowingly violating section 188.033.2. Violations of this section may result in either a Class B or C felony, depending on the circumstance. **Oversight** assumes county prosecutors can absorb any increase in responsibilities resulting from passage of this proposal.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services - MO HealthNet Division (MHD)** state MHD does not cover RU-486, nor are there any plans to cover it in the future. Therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

Officials from the **Office of Attorney General** assume any potential costs arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources. The AGO may seek additional appropriations if there is a significant increase in litigation.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

Officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** state the penalty provision component of this bill results in a potential fiscal impact for the DOC. Currently, the DOC cannot predict the number of new commitments which may result from the creation of the offense(s) outlined in this proposal. An increase in commitments depends on utilization by prosecutors and the actual sentences imposed by the court.

If additional persons are sentenced to the custody of the DOC due to the provisions of this legislation, the DOC will incur a corresponding increase in direct offender costs either through incarceration (FY 11 average of \$16.878 per offender, per day, or an annual cost of \$6,160 per inmate) or through supervision provided by the Board of Probation and Parole (FY 11 average of \$5.12 per offender, per day, or an annual cost of \$1,869 per offender). Therefore, supervision by the DOC through probation or incarceration would result in additional unknown costs to the department. Seventeen (17) persons would have to be incarcerated per fiscal year to exceed \$100,000 annually. Due to the narrow scope of this new crime, it is assumed the impact would be less than \$100,000 per year for the DOC.

	<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 GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)
Costs - Department of Corrections Probation and incarceration costs	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)	(Unknown less than \$100,000)
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(10 Mo.)		
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2013	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

This proposal establishes the Abortion-inducing Drugs Safety Act which places restrictions on abortion-inducing drugs. Any person who is not a physician is prohibited from knowingly prescribing or administering RU-486 or any other abortion-inducing drug.

Any person who is not a physician who prescribes or administers RU-486 or any other abortion-inducing drug will be guilty of a class C felony; except that, if prescribed or administered without the knowledge or consent of the patient, he or she will be guilty of a class B felony. A physician who violates any other provision of the act will be guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

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 Attorney General
Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions, and Professional Registration
Department of Mental Health
Department of Corrections
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Social Services
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