

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4141-02  
Bill No.: Perfected SCS for SB 524  
Subject: Counties; County Officials; County Government; Insurance - Medical; Insurance - Life  
Type: Original  
Date: March 10, 2014

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Bill Summary: This proposal provides that counties who elect to provide a medical plan to elected officials must do so for compensated officials.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
This fiscal note contains 5 pages.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- 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).

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials at **Johnson County** assume there would be approximately a \$6,240 fiscal impact from this proposal. This would be for the cost of premiums for their county surveyor who isn't currently covered by county health insurance.

Officials at **Carroll County** assume a cost of \$6,000 per year in the event a newly elected official would elect to take the coverage under this proposal. The County currently covers all elected officials with the exception of the County Surveyor on it's health care plan. The current Surveyor is not compensated by the County and chooses not to participate in the health care plan.

Officials at the **Department of Health and Senior Services** and the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration** each assume no fiscal impact to their respective agencies from this proposal.

Officials at **Cole County** assume no fiscal impact from this proposal. They already provide insurance coverage only to elected officials compensated by the county.

In response to a previous version, officials at **Lincoln County** assume no fiscal impact from this proposal. They already provide full health insurance benefits for their elected officials.

Officials at **St. Louis County** and **St. Francois County** each assume no fiscal impact to their respective organizations from this proposal.

In response to a previous version, officials at **Lawrence County** and the **St. Louis County Board of Election Commission** each assume no fiscal impact to their respective organizations from this proposal.

Officials at the following counties: Andrew, Audrain, Barry, Bates, Boone, Buchanan, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Cass, Clay, Cooper, Douglas, DeKalb, Franklin, Greene, Holt, Howell, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Laclede, Marion, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, New Madrid, Nodaway, Oregon, Ozark, Perry, Pettis, Phelps, Platte, Pulaski, Ripley, Scott, St. Charles, Taney, Texas, Warren, Wayne, Webster, Worth and Wright did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

**ASSUMPTION (continued)**

**Oversight** did not receive enough fiscal impact responses from political subdivisions to make a determination whether political subdivisions would experience increased costs from this proposal. Oversight also assumes that this proposal is permissive in nature and therefore will reflect a \$0 to (Unknown) impact in the fiscal note.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2015 (10 Mo.)	FY 2016	FY 2017
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**LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS**

<u>Cost - Local Political Subdivisions - election of medical plan for non- compensated officials</u>	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>	\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u>
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>	<b>\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u></b>	<b>\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u></b>	<b>\$0 to <u>(Unknown)</u></b>
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

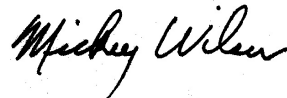
Currently, a political subdivision may elect to contribute to a health insurance plan or similar benefit for its elected officials and employees as part of their compensation. When a county elects to furnish all or part of medical expenses then it must provide the benefit to all elected officials. This act modifies that language to provide that if a county elects to furnish all or part of the medical expenses, then it must do so only for those elected officials who are compensated by the county. The county may furnish medical expenses to other elected officials not compensated by the county.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

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

Lawrence County  
Department of Health and Senior Services  
Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration  
St. Louis County Board of Election Commission  
Cole County  
Lincoln County  
Johnson County  
St. Louis County  
Carroll County  
St. Francois County



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