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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0666-01  
Bill No.: Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed SB 141  
Subject: Crimes and Punishment; Health Care; Public Safety Department  
Type: Original  
Date: May 27, 2015

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Bill Summary: This proposal raises the amount of the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund can pay to eligible victims and provides that the Public Safety Department can negotiate costs on behalf of victims.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Crime Victims' Compensation	(Less than \$170,085)	(Less than \$204,102)	(Less than \$204,102)
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds</b>	<b>(Less than \$170,085)</b>	<b>(Less than \$204,102)</b>	<b>(Less than \$204,102)</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</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 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2016</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning (B&P)** state the legislation will raise the maximum amount per week from \$200 to \$400 that a crime victim is able to claim in lost wages from the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund.

Based on estimates provided to Budget and Planning by the Department of Public Safety (DPS) Crime Victims Program, the DPS anticipates a \$100,000 increase in wage loss payouts per fiscal year. According to the Crime Victims' Compensation Program statistics available on the Missouri Department of Public Safety's website, the average wage loss compensation for the last three fiscal years is \$204,000. Since this legislation could potentially double that payout, B&P estimates that \$204,000 is the high-end estimate of the annual increase in wage loss compensation.

Based on the information above, B&P estimates that the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund will have an increase in payouts ranging between \$100,000 and \$204,000 annually.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director** and the **Department of Social Services** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

**Oversight** assumes this proposal would double the amount of reimbursement from the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund for lost wages from up to \$200 per week to up to \$400 per week. According to DPS' web site, over the past three years the following amounts were paid through the Crime Victims' Compensation Program for wages:

FY 2012	\$212,555
FY 2013	\$189,738
FY 2014	\$210,015

Therefore, Oversight will take an average of these three years (\$204,102) and assume DPS could double the amount paid from the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund (0681). Oversight will reflect 10 months of impact in FY '16.

Oversight also assumes that new Subsection 8 may result in savings to the fund from reduced medical expenses. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a net impact to the Crime Victims Compensation Fund of Less than \$204,102 per year.

The balance of the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund at April 30, 2015 was \$9.85 million.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
<b>CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION</b>			
<u>Savings</u> - Department of Public Safety - new subsection 595.030.8 allows DPS to negotiate the costs of medical care or services on behalf of any victim receiving compensation from the fund.	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
<u>Costs</u> - Department of Public Safety - increasing the maximum amount that could be paid for wages from \$200 per week to \$400 per week	<u>(\$170,085)</u>	<u>(\$204,102)</u>	<u>(\$204,102)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND</b>	<b><u>(Less than \$170,085)</u></b>	<b><u>(Less than \$204,102)</u></b>	<b><u>(Less than \$204,102)</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Under current law, the Crime Victims' Compensation fund can pay eligible victims up to \$200 per week for the loss of employment and for injury or death.

This proposal raises that amount to \$400 per week.

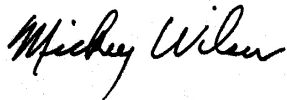
FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

In addition, this proposal provides that the Department of Public Safety may negotiate directly with providers of medical care and other services on behalf of the victim with respect to the costs of the medical services.

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

Department of Public Safety  
Office of Administration - Budget and Planning  
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