# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

#### **FISCAL NOTE**

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 1210-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 236

Subject: Roads and Highways; Transportation; Motor Vehicles

Type: Original

Date: February 24, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal increases the fine for seat belt violations from \$10 to \$50.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
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 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	
Local Government	<b>Less than</b> \$1,963,120	<b>Less than</b> \$1,963,120	<b>Less than</b> \$1,963,120	

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator (CTS)** state based on an average of the past five years (FY 2008-FY 2012) data, this fine would apply to 18,629 seat belt infractions. Based on the maximum \$50 fine amount and an average collection rate of 80%, the fine increase would provide an additional \$596,120 annually (18,629 x \$40 x 80%).

In addition, the Fine Collection Center (FCC) has received a five year average of 34,175 paid guilty outcomes. With the collection rate of 100%, the projected fine increase would provide an additional \$1,367,000 (34,175 x \$40 x 100%) annually.

The projected annual increase is \$1,963,120 (\$596,120 + \$1,367,000).

**Oversight** assumes the number of seat belt violations would decrease due to the increased fine. However, Oversight has no basis for estimating this decline and therefore will reflect a potential increase in fees of "less than" the estimate provided by the Office of the State Courts Administrator. Also, the proposal changes the maximum that can be charged for a seatbelt violation (from \$10 to \$50), and Oversight assumes an amount less than \$50 may be assessed.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning (B&P)** assume this proposal would increase the fine collected on seat belt violations from \$10 to \$50. The fines collected from highway law violations are deposited into the School Building Revolving Fund. B&P does not have an estimate of the possible increase to this fund since the fines that are collected by the county and municipal court systems may vary based on enforcement and increased compliance with the seat belt laws. These funds are then transferred to the State School Moneys Fund to be distributed to local school districts.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety** - **Missouri Highway Patrol**, the **Office of Administration**, the **Department of Revenue**, the **Department of Transportation**, the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education**, the **Kansas City Public Schools** and the **Maltabend Public Schools** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government  LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
Revenue - Local School Districts Income from fines - increased from \$10 to \$50 for seatbelt violations.	<u>Less than</u> \$1,963,120	<u>Less than</u> \$1,963,120	<u>Less than</u> \$1,963,120
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	<u>Less than</u> \$1,963,120	<u>Less than</u> \$1,963,120	<u>Less than</u> \$1,963,120

### FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

## FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This proposal increases the fine for a seat belt violation from \$10 to \$50.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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# **SOURCES OF INFORMATION**

Department of Revenue
Department of Transportation
Office of the State Courts Administrator
Department of Public Safety
Missouri Highway Patrol
Office of Administration
Office of Administration - Budget and Planning

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