

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1482-02
Bill No.: Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed SS for HB 616
Subject: Political Subdivisions
Type: Original
Date: June 2, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal specifies when new political subdivisions will be effective for property tax assessment purposes and specifies that rental merchandise is exempt from property taxes.

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 <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

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	(Minimal)	(Minimal)	(Minimal)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Revenue** and the **Office of the State Auditor** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the **State Tax Commission** assumed this proposal will not impact their agency. They also state, the impact on assessed valuations at the county level is impossible to calculate but based on the assessing practices statewide, the impact should be minimal.

Oversight notes that the bill notes that the term "merchandise" shall include rentals of equipment and other merchandise offered for short term rentals (later clarified as less than 365 consecutive days) by rental companies classified under:

- 532412 - Construction, Mining, Forest Machinery and Equipment Rental & Leasing; and
- 532210 - Consumer Electronics and Appliance Rental

Oversight assumes the proposal would not include assets such as leased vehicles. Oversight will further assume the fiscal impact to counties will be minimal.

Officials from the **County of St. Louis** assume the current proposal would not fiscally impact their local government.

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

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
COUNTIES			
<u>Loss</u> - of property taxes from merchandise held by a merchant and available for short term rental and which will subsequently or ultimately be sold	<u>(Minimal)</u>	<u>(Minimal)</u>	<u>(Minimal)</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO COUNTIES	<u>(Minimal)</u>	<u>(Minimal)</u>	<u>(Minimal)</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

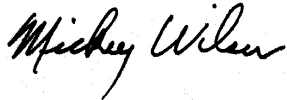
This proposal specifies that merchandise held by a rental company and available for short-term rentals of less than 365 consecutive days which will be ultimately sold is considered inventory and exempt from property tax.

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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