

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 2272-01  
Bill No.: SB 496  
Subject: Health Care; Health Department; Health, Public; Hospitals  
Type: Original  
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Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the Missouri Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Advisory Council and the Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information Education Program.

**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
<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 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

**Oversight** was unable to receive some of the agency responses in a timely manner due to the short fiscal note request time. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have or on prior year information regarding a similar bill. Upon the receipt of agency responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval of the chairperson of the Joint Committee on Legislative Research to publish a new fiscal note.

In response to a very similar proposal from the current session (HB 808), officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)** stated section 191.1080 creates the Missouri Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Council and directs the DHSS to coordinate meeting logistics. These activities will be accomplished through the use of current staff.

Funds are requested for the reimbursement of travel expenses for the Council members to attend Council meetings. DHSS assumes the meetings will be held biannually. The cost per Council member to attend these meetings is calculated at \$180 per day for lodging, meals, and mileage. The total cost for the Council meetings in the first year is calculated at \$1,980 (11 members x 1 meeting x \$180). The total cost for the Council meetings in subsequent years is calculated at \$3,960 (11 members x 2 meetings, x \$180) each year.

Section 191.1085 creates the Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program within DHSS. DHSS is to publish information and resources, including links to external resources, about palliative care on its website. Some resources are already identified on the DHSS website. The addition of further resources, links, etc. on the website will be accomplished through the use of current staff.

**Oversight** assumed DHSS appropriations are sufficient to cover the Council members' travel costs within current funding levels. If costs significantly exceed estimates, the DHSS may seek additional resources through the appropriations process.

In response to HB 808 from the current session, officials from the **Office of the Governor (GOV)** stated section 191.1080 establishes the Missouri Palliative Care and Quality of Life Interdisciplinary Council which includes seven gubernatorial appointees. There should be no added cost to the GOV as a result of this measure. However, if additional duties are placed on the office related to appointments in other Truly Agreed To and Finally Passed (TAFP) legislation, there may be the need for additional staff resources in future years.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

In response to HB 808 from the current session, officials from the **University of Missouri (UM)** stated the proposal should not create additional expenses in excess of \$100,000.

**Oversight** assumed the UM's statement indicates any costs that may be incurred are absorbable within current funding levels.

In response to HB 808 from the current session, officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** stated many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$2,500. The SOS recognizes that this is a small amount and does not expect that additional funding would be required to meet these costs. However, the SOS also recognizes that many such bills may be passed by the General Assembly in a given year and that collectively the costs may be in excess of what the office can sustain with the core budget. Therefore, the SOS reserves the right to request funding for the cost of supporting administrative rules requirements should the need arise based on a review of the finally approved bills signed by the governor.

**Oversight** assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process.

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

Based on agency responses to a very similar proposal from the current session (HB 808), **Oversight** assumes this proposal will have no fiscal impact on the state or local governments.

<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
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

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 Health and Senior Services  
Office of the Governor  
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules  
Office of Secretary of State  
University of Missouri



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