

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 2347-04  
Bill No.: Perfected SS for SCS for SB 517  
Subject: Health Care Professionals; Vital Statistics  
Type: Original  
Date: April 21, 2015

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Bill Summary: This proposal modifies death certification laws to include physician assistants.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
General Revenue	(\$81,260)	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</b>	<b>(\$81,260)</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.

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

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)** state section 193.145 would allow physician assistants to certify to the cause and manner on a death certificate. It will require the Division of Community and Public Health (DCPH) to make modifications to the Missouri Certificate of Death form. The forms will have to be printed at a cost of \$3,500 (\$0.035 each X 100,000 copies). This is a one-time cost for FY 2016 to revise the forms and print a supply.

The DHSS provided the response for the **Office of Administration (OA), Information Technology Services Division (ITSD)**. ITSD states the proposed legislation would require programming changes to the web-based electronic death registration system to accommodate additional items on the Missouri Certificate of Death form.

ITSD states it is assumed that every new IT project/system will be bid out because all ITSD resources are at full capacity. As a result, it is estimated this proposal will require approximately 1,037 hours of IT contract consultants at \$75 per hour. FY 2016 costs to the General Revenue Fund are estimated to be \$77,760.

Officials from the **Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration** assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b> ( §§193.015 and 193.145)			
<u>Costs - DHSS</u>			
Printing costs	(\$3,500)	\$0	\$0
<u>Costs - OA-ITSD</u>			
Contract IT costs	<u>(\$77,760)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b><u>(\$81,260)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government

FY 2016  
(10 Mo.)

FY 2017

FY 2018

\$0

\$0

\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

This proposal may result in a positive administrative impact on small business health care facilities if advanced practice registered nurses, assistant physicians and physician assistants take over some of the duties related to death certificates that normally have to be completed by physicians.

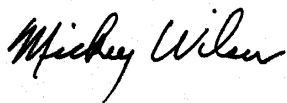
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This proposal adds advanced practice registered nurses, assistant physicians, and physician assistants to specified phases of the death certification process, including data provision, investigation into the causes of death, certification of death, and authorization for the final disposition of the decedent's body.

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  
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