

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4313-01  
Bill No.: SB 808  
Subject: Ethics; Campaign Finance  
Type: Original  
Date: January 4, 2016

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Bill Summary: This proposal modifies the laws relating to disclosure requirements to the ethics commission.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>
<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>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>
<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>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</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 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</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 2017</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Missouri Ethics Commission (MEC)** assume the proposed legislation would implement campaign finance limits. The implementation of the above responsibilities would require the following additional resources:

- 1 Business Analyst to conduct the routine work necessary in reviewing and providing oversight for the proposed legislation. The Business Analyst would review committee reports for compliance, prepare necessary notices, track the receipt of payment, and coordinate the necessary collection efforts. Currently two Business Analysts assist 2,800 committees in filing campaign finance reports, prepare and disseminate 15,000 notices, and review 11,000 campaign finance reports.
- If the Commission identifies significant violations during the process established in §105.955.14 (2), (3), RSMo or complaints received increase significantly an Investigator would be required to provide the proper oversight.

The Commission would anticipate that changes or additions to the proposed language set forth in this bill, may require additional associated costs for FTE, equipment, and expenses

In 2008, Senate Bill 1038 repealed campaign finance contribution limits in Missouri. At that time, the MEC did not reduce its number of FTE due to the cutback in the number of complaints and investigations caused by the campaign limits being repealed. Therefore, **Oversight** assumes the current FTE should be able to handle the increased number of complaints and investigations due to the limits being reimposed. Oversight assumes this proposal has no fiscal impact on the MEC.

In summary, the MEC assumes the need for 1 FTE Business Analyst (at \$41,940) plus related expenses totaling approximately \$66,000 per year.

**Oversight** assumes that should MEC have a significant increase in complaints, the MEC can seek additional resources through the appropriation process.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
	<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.

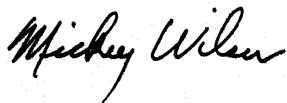
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

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

Missouri Ethics Commission



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