

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5022-01
Bill No.: SB 767
Subject: Education, Higher
Type: Original
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Bill Summary: This proposal requires public colleges and universities to post certain course information on their Internet websites.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
College and University Funds	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)	(Could exceed \$100,000)

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
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 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Oversight notes this proposal requires Colleges and Universities to post on their website for each course the course's syllabus, reading list, attendance requirements, extra credit opportunities and description of required assignments and projects. Based upon the responses below, Oversight will show the impact to the Colleges and University funds as Could exceed \$100,000 for the gathering and updating of this information annually.

Officials at the **Department of Higher Education** assume there is no fiscal impact from this proposal.

Officials at the **University of Missouri** assume that the University considers course materials and course syllabi to be intellectual property of the faculty member and thus it is their choice whether to post information or circulate it publicly. The proposal would require such material to be placed on line, so the University assumes there will be a negative fiscal impact but the exact amount can not be determined at this time.

Officials at the **University of Central Missouri (UCM)** assume this expanded posting would be a minimum of \$77,500 in annual costs for a full-time web page consultant and \$20,000 in one-time set-up costs.

Officials at the **Metropolitan Community College** assume no fiscal impact as they already provide this information.

Officials at the **Missouri State University** assume this will have a negative fiscal impact but the amount cannot be determined at this time.

Officials at the **Northwest Missouri State University** assume this would require the addition of one FTE to the Office of Institutional Research.

Officials at the **State Technical College of Missouri** assume the fiscal impact is unknown. The information already exists, but making it available on the website every semester would require a great deal of time.

Officials at the **St. Charles Community College** assume the need for one FTE clerical position at a cost of \$35,000 a year.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials at the following colleges: Crowder, East Central Community College, Harris-Stowe, Jefferson College, Lincoln University, Moberly Area Community College, Missouri Southern State University, Missouri Western State University, Southeast Missouri State University, State Fair Community College, St. Louis Community College, Three Rivers Community College and the Truman State University did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
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COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY FUNDS

<u>Cost</u> - Colleges and Universities to update their website with course information	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY FUNDS	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)	(Could exceed <u>\$100,000</u>)
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<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.

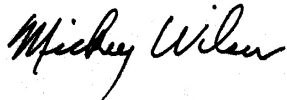
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act requires each public college and university to post on its internet website information for each course offered at the institution that includes the course's syllabus, reading list, attendance requirements, extra credit opportunities, and a description of required assignments and projects. This information will be considered public information for any person who requests it.

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 Higher Education
Metropolitan Community College
Missouri State University
Northwest Missouri State University
State Technical College
St. Charles Community College
University of Central Missouri
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