COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5905-04

Bill No.: CCS for SCS for SB 921

Subject: Law Enforcement Officers and Agencies; Crimes and Punishment; Highway

Patrol; Department of Public Safety; Governor; General Assembly

Type: Original Date: May 9, 2016

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to victims of crime.

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	
Crime Victims' Compensation	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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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

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§595.030 - Crime Victim's Compensation Fund:

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 1430), officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director (DPS)** stated they see no fiscal impact for this legislation, as compensation for these additional practitioners is subject to the maximum reimbursement for this program and we feel can be absorbed within the existing funds.

According to the DPS web site, the Crime Victims' Compensation Program has paid the following amounts for medical awards over the last three years:

FY 2015	\$2,945,171
FY 2014	\$2,804,727
FY 2013	\$3,742,524
FY 2012	\$4,089,390

Current statute states that the medical expenses per eligible claim, for psychiatric, psychological or counseling expenses resulting from the crime committed, cannot exceed \$2,500. In addition, there is a maximum limit of \$25,000 total costs paid out per eligible claim.

This proposal adds a medical service provider to the list of approved costs for reimbursement, but does not increase the per person maximum payout.

According to DPS' budget submission, the estimated number of New Victim Claims is:

2014	Actual	1,583
2015	Actual	1,539
2016		1,550
2017		1,600

Since a victim can already be compensated for services received from a psychologist, clinical social worker, or professional counselor, **Oversight** will assume this proposal will not greatly impact the program. Therefore, Oversight assumes expanding the program by compensating for treatment from psychiatric-mental health nurse practitioners or psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse specialists will have some impact on the Crime Victims' Compensation Fund, but by less than \$100,000 annually.

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

Bill as a whole:

In response to a previous version of the proposal, officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol** assumed the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Boone County Sheriff's Office** assumed the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency

In response to a similar proposal from this year (HB 1930), officials from the **Springfield Police Department** assumed the proposal would not fiscally impact their agency.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Cole County Sheriff's Department** stated the fiscal impact is twelve times the annual reporting currently in place. Additionally, many reported domestic violence calls are unfounded. Reporting an unfounded call falsely inflates the statistics. My policy is that if domestic violence occurs, the primary physical aggressor is arrested.

Oversight assumes the proposal would not create an additional fiscal impact to local law enforcement agencies.

In response to similar legislation filed this year, SB 1085, officials at the **Department of Higher Education** assumed there was no fiscal impact from this proposal.

In response to similar legislation filed this year, SB 1085, officials at the **Missouri Highway Patrol**, **Missouri State University**, **University of Missouri**, **Cole County Sheriff Department** and the **Springfield Police Department** each assumed no fiscal impact from the proposal to their respective organizations.

In response to similar legislation filed this year, SB 1085, officials at the **University of Central Missouri** assumed this would not have a fiscal impact as the University already has a contract with Johnson County and the City of Warrensburg. However, the rules adopted by the Department of Higher Education could have an impact, which is unknown at this time.

In response to similar legislation filed this year, SB 1085, officials at the **State Technical College of Missouri** assume the impact would be minimal. The impact would be the time it takes to formalize an agreement.

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FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
CRIME VICTIMS' COMPENSATION			
<u>Costs</u> - Department of Public Safety - inclusion of services of board certified psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse specialists to be compensated	(Less than <u>\$100,000)</u>	(Less than <u>\$100,000)</u>	(Less than \$100,000)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE CRIME VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)	(Less than \$100,000)
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	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

§595.030 - authorizes a board certified psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse specialist and board certified psychiatric-mental health clinical nurse practitioner to be eligible for reimbursement by crime victim compensation when providing crisis counseling.

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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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Public Safety
Department of Higher Education
University of Missouri
Missouri State University
Boone County Sheriff's Department
Cole County Sheriff's Department
Springfield Police Department
State Technical College of Missouri
University of Central Missouri

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