COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 1261-01 <u>Bill No.</u>: SB 288

Subject: Courts; Civil and Criminal Procedure; Judges; St. Louis City

Type: Original

Date: February 16, 2017

Bill Summary: This proposal allows the circuit court in St. Louis City to collect a fee not

to exceed twenty dollars, rather than fifteen, to go toward the law library.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	
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 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Local Government	\$0 to \$127,229	\$0 to \$152,675	\$0 to \$152,675

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA)** assume the proposed legislation allows the circuit court in St. Louis City to collect a fee not to exceed twenty dollars, rather than fifteen, to go toward the law library. During the past four years, there was an average of 4,157 circuit civil case filings, 7,368 domestic relations civil case filings and 19,010 associate civil and small claims civil case filings, for a total of 30,535. Based upon the increase in the collection fee not to exceed \$20, rather than \$15, to go toward the library, OSCA estimates the increase to be \$0 to \$152,675 (\$5 x 30,535).

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2018 (10 Mo.)	FY 2019	FY 2020
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government ST. LOUIS CITY CIRCUIT COURT FUNDS	FY 2018 (10 Mo.)	FY 2019	FY 2020
Revenue - on filing fees to go towards law library	\$0 to \$127,229	\$0 to \$152,675	\$0 to \$152,675
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON ST. LOUIS CITY CIRCUIT COURT FUNDS	\$0 to \$127,229	\$0 to \$152,675	\$0 to \$152,675

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

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FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, the circuit court in Jackson County and any circuit court in a circuit which reimburses the state for family court commissioners' salaries may collect a fee not to exceed twenty dollars in civil cases, which shall go towards the maintenance and upkeep of the law library in the designated county. This act provides that the circuit court in St. Louis City may also collect a fee not to exceed twenty dollars.

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

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