

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4224-02
Bill No.: SB 672
Subject: Attorneys; Children and Minors; Children’s Division; Family Law; Guardians;
 Social Services Department
Type: Original
Date: December 20, 2017

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the Supporting and Strengthening Families Act relating to guardianships using a power of attorney.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Criminal Records	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.
 This fiscal note contains 7 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
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 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety (DPS), Missouri State Highway Patrol (MHP)** state subsection 6 of section 475.602 requires a community service program that offers support services for families in crisis under this section to ensure that a fingerprint-based background check, a sex offender registry check and a child abuse and neglect registry check is completed for the attorney-in-fact and any adult members of his or her household prior to the placement of the child.

A check of the sex offender registry is included with a fingerprint-based background check through the central repository.

At this point the Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division is unable to determine the expected number of fingerprint-based background checks to be completed on attorney-in-facts or any adult members of the household prior to the placement of the child.

The cost for a fingerprint-based background check, to include state and federal open and closed records, is as follows:

State fee:	\$20
Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) fee:	\$12
Applicant fingerprinting vendor fee:	<u>\$ 8.30</u>
TOTAL fee per applicant:	<u>\$40.30</u>

Of these amounts, the state retains the \$20 state fee and \$2 of the federal charge of \$12 for a pass-thru fee. The \$8.30 charge is paid directly to the vendor at the time of application.

Once the anticipated number of background checks to be completed under this legislation has been determined and the type of background checks to be completed has been determined, the CJIS Division will be able to estimate the amount of funds to be deposited in the Criminal Records Fund under this proposal.

Oversight notes that more than 4,545 background checks would have to be performed each year for the fiscal impact to exceed \$100,000 (\$100,000/\$22 background check fees retained by the state = 4,545.45 checks). Therefore, Oversight assumes the fiscal impact to the Criminal Records Fund will be less than \$100,000 in income annually.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the **Summersville R2 School District** state the proposal will have an unknown impact on their school district.

Oversight notes the Summersville R2 School District did not provide an estimate of the unknown fiscal impact that might occur if this legislation were enacted. Oversight assumes communication with a child's attorney-in-fact and parent(s) or legal custodian with parental or legal rights regarding the child would not result in significant costs and that these costs would be absorbable within current funding levels.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services**, the **Office of State Courts Administrator**, **Boone County**, **St. Louis County**, the **Kirksville R-III School District** and the **West Plains Schools** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the following **counties**: Andrew, Atchison, Audrain, Barry, Benton, Bollinger, Buchanan, Callaway, Camden, Cape Girardeau, Carroll, Cass, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Cole, Cooper, Davies, Dekalb, Dent, Franklin, Greene, Holt, Jackson, Jefferson, Johnson, Knox, Laclede, Lawrence, Lincoln, Maries, Marion, McDonald, Miller, Moniteau, Monroe, Montgomery, New Madrid, Nodaway, Ozark, Perry, Pettis, Platte, Pulaski, Scott, St. Charles, St. Francois, Taney, Wayne, Webster, and Worth did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

Officials from the following **school districts**: Alton R-IV, Arcadia Valley R-2, Ash Grove R-IV, Ava R-1, Avilla R-13, Bakersfield R-4, Belton School District #124, Benton County R-2, Bismark R-5, Bloomfield R-14, Blue Springs, Bolivar R-I, Bowling Green R-1, Bradleyville R-1, Branson, Brentwood, Bronaugh R-7, Campbell R-2, Carrollton R-7, Caruthersville, Central R-III, Chilhowee R-4, Chillicothe R-II, Clarkton C-4, Cole R-I, Columbia, Concordia R-2, Couch R-1, Crawford County R-1, Crawford County R-2, Crocker R-II, Delta C-7, East Carter R-2, East Lynne 40, East Newton R-6, Eldon R-I, Fair Play, Fayette R-3, Forsyth R-3, Fox C-6, Fredericktown R-I, Fulton, Gasconade County R-1, Glenwood R-8, Grain Valley, Green City R-1, Green Ridge R-8, Hallsville R-IV, Hancock Place, Hannibal School District #60, Harrisonburg R-8, Harrisonville, Hartville R-11, Hazelwood, Henry County R-1, Hillsboro R-3, Holcomb R-III, Hollister R-5, Humansville R-4, Hurley R-1, Independence, Jasper R-5, Jefferson City, Kansas City, Kennett #39, King City R-1, Kirbyville R-VI, Lafayette Preparatory Academy, Lathrop R-2, Lee Summit, Leeton R-10, Lewis County C-1, Liberty, Lincoln R-2, Lindbergh, Lonedell R-14, Macon County R-1, Macon County R-IV, Madison C-3, Malta Bend, Maplewood Richmond Heights, Marshfield R-1, Maryville R-II, Maysville R-1, Meadville R-IV, Mehville School District R-9, Meramec Valley R-3, Mexico, Middle Grove C-1, Midway R-1, Milan C-2, Miller R-11, Moberly, Montgomery County R-11, Morgan County R-2, Mountain Grove R-III,

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Mt. Vernon R-V, New Bloomfield R-III, New Haven, Niangua R-5, Nixa, North Harrison R-3, North Kansas City, North St. Francois Co. R-1, Northeast Nodaway R-5, Northwest R-1, Oak Ridge R-6, Odessa R-VII, Oregon-Howell R-III, Orrick R-11, Osage County, Osage R-2, Osborn R-O, Parkway, Pattonville, Pettis County R-12, Pierce City R-6, Plato R-5, Polo R-VII, Prairie Home R-5, Princeton R-5, Purdy R-II, Raymore-Peculiar R-III, Raytown, Reeds Springs R-IV, Renick R-5, Republic R-III, Rich Hill R-IV, Richards R-5, Richland R-1, Richmond R-XVI, Riverview Gardens, Rockwood School District, Salisbury R-4, Sarcoxie R-2, Scotland County R-I, Scott City R-1, Sedalia, Seymour R-2, Shell Knob #78, Sherwood Cass R-5, Sikeston, Silex, Smithville R-2, South Harrison R-11, Southland C-9, Sparta R-III, Special School District of St. Louis County, Spickard R-II, Spokane R-VII, Springfield, St Joseph, St Louis, St. Charles, St. Elizabeth R-4, Stanberry R-III, Stewartville C-2, Sullivan, Sweet Springs, Trenton R-1x, Valley Park, Valley R-6, Verona R-7, Warren County R-3, Warrensburg R-6, Warsaw R-IX, Waynesville, Webster Groves, Wellsville Middletown R-1, Wentzville R-IV, Westran R-1, Westview C-6, Willard R-2 and the Wright City R-2 School District did not respond to **Oversight's** request for fiscal impact.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
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CRIMINAL RECORDS FUND

Income - DPS (\$475.602)

Background check fees	<u>Less than</u> <u>\$100,000</u>	<u>Less than</u> <u>\$100,000</u>	<u>Less than</u> <u>\$100,000</u>
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**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE
CRIMINAL RECORDS FUND**

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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act may be known as the "Supporting and Strengthening Families Act." It provides that during a child protective investigation if the child is at risk for possible removal the Children's Division shall provide information to the parent about community service programs that provide support services for families in crisis.

Community service programs for families in crisis must conduct a background check of an attorney-in-fact and any adult members of his or her household prior to the placement of the child. Community service programs may not place a child with an attorney-in-fact who has committed a felony or is on either the child abuse and neglect registry or sex offender registry.

An attorney-in-fact must make arrangements to ensure that the child attends classes at an appropriate school based upon the residency requirements of the school, and the child's school shall be notified of the existence of the power of attorney and be provided a copy of the power of attorney. The delegation of care under the act shall not modify a child's eligibility for benefits, such as free or reduced lunch, that the child is receiving at the time of the execution of the power of attorney.

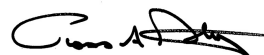
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Social Services -
Children's Division
Department of Public Safety -
Missouri State Highway Patrol
Office of State Courts Administrator
Boone County
St. Louis County
Kirksville R-III School District
Summersville R2 School District
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