

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 4224-07  
Bill No.: Perfected SCS for SB 672  
Subject: Attorneys; Children and Minors; Children’s Division; Family Law; Guardians;  
 Social Services Department  
Type: Original  
Date: March 14, 2018

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

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
<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>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Criminal Records	Less than \$100,000	Less than \$100,000	Less than \$100,000
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds</b>	<b>Less than \$100,000</b>	<b>Less than \$100,000</b>	<b>Less than \$100,000</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 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</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 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</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 2019</b>	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

## 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 **Department of Social Services**, the **Office of State Courts Administrator**, the **Summersville R2 School District** and the **Wellsville - Middletown R-1 School District** each assume the proposal would not fiscally impact their respective agencies.

Officials from the following **counties**: Andrew, Atchison, Audrain, Barry, Benton, Bollinger, Boone, 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, Perry, Pettis, Platte, Pulaski, Scott, St. Charles, St. Francois, St. Louis, 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, Kirksville, Lafayette Preparatory Academy, Lathrop R-2, Lee Summit, Leeton R-10, Lewis County C-1, Liberty, Lincoln R-2, Lindbergh, Livingston County R-III, 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, 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,

ASSUMPTION (continued)

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, Stewartsville 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, Wentzville R-IV, West Plains R-VII, 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
<b>CRIMINAL RECORDS FUND</b>			
<u>Income - DPS (\$475.602)</u>			
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>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE CRIMINAL RECORDS FUND</b>	<b><u>Less than</u></b> <b><u>\$100,000</u></b>	<b><u>Less than</u></b> <b><u>\$100,000</u></b>	<b><u>Less than</u></b> <b><u>\$100,000</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<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 may be known as the "Supporting and Strengthening Families Act".

The use of a power of attorney by a parent who uses a community service program to assist in the delegation of the custody of a child shall not constitute abandonment, abuse, or neglect. 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.

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  
Summersville R2 School District  
Wellsville - Middleton R-1 School District

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