

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5548-01
Bill No.: SB 816
Subject: Attorney General’s Office; Attorneys; Civil Penalties; Energy; Excavation; Public Service Commission; Utilities
Type: Original
Date: March 14, 2018

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies the civil penalty for violating certain underground facility safety standards.

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
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 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 Economic Development (Public Service Commission, Office of Public Counsel and Division of Energy)** the **Department of Transportation**, the **Office of the State Courts Administrator** and the **Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

Officials from the **Attorney General’s Office (AGO)** assume any potential cost arising from this proposal can be absorbed with existing resources. AGO may seek additional appropriations if the proposal results in a significant increase in cases.

Oversight assumes this proposal changes the penalty for any person who violates certain underground safety standards from up to \$10,000 to up to \$50,000. According to the Attorney General’s Office (AGO), in 2017 there were 136 complaints received and investigated by the AGO resulting in \$30,750 in penalties fees. Secured penalties from One Call cases are distributed annually to the schools in Missouri.

Oversight assumes this proposal will result in an increase in revenue and will reflect an unknown income to local school districts.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
<u>Revenue</u> Increased penalty for violating certain underground facility safety standards	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>	<u>Unknown</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

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 Economic Development
Department of Transportation
Attorney General's Office
Office of the State Courts Administrator
Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District

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