

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5982-01
Bill No.: SB 924
Subject: Elementary and Secondary Education; Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
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Bill Summary: This proposal authorizes the granting of a visiting scholars certificate to teachers in public schools.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
General Revenue	(\$35,000)	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(\$35,000)	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
 This fiscal note contains 4 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 at the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** assume this proposal will require the creation of a new teaching certificate; thereby, requiring a new certificate application in the Educator Certification System. Based upon previous ITSD work to create similar applications, the estimated cost will be \$35,000.

Officials at the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol** assume that due to an unknown number of applicants applying for a visiting scholars certificate under this provision, the Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division anticipates an unknown fiscal impact and expects the overall fiscal impact to be very minimal.

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

- State fee: \$20.00
- FBI fee: \$12.00 (includes \$2.00 pass-through fee retained in the Criminal Records Fund)
- Applicant fingerprinting vendor fee: \$8.30
- Total fee per applicant: \$40.30

Oversight notes this proposal allows DESE to create a visiting scholars certificate that would allow a person to teach in a Missouri school district without a Missouri teaching certificate.

According to this proposal, the visiting scholar's certificate would require the completion of a background check performed by the Missouri Highway Patrol. Oversight notes the \$22 per applicant that would be deposited in the criminal records system fund is the \$20 fee charged by the State plus the \$2.00 pass-through fee retained by the State. **Oversight** assumes there would be few of these background checks done and that the revenue and costs will not be material.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Cost - DESE - computer upgrades</u>	<u>(\$35,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$35,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<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 provides that the State Board of Education may grant an initial visiting scholars certificate as a license to teach in public schools. The hiring school district shall verify that the applicant will be employed as part of a business-education partnership initiative designed to build career pathways systems for students. The applicant shall also be employed in a content area in which the individual has an academic degree or professional experience. He or she may only teach classes for ninth grade or higher for which the applicant's degree or professional experience qualifies him or her.

The certificate shall last one year, and the applicant may renew the certificate up to two times if certain requirements are met, as described in the act.

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 Elementary and Secondary Education
Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol

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