

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 0503-01
Bill No.: SB 91
Subject: Crimes and Punishment; Fees; Highway Patrol; Motor Vehicles; Roads and Highways; Transportation; Department of Transportation
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Date: January 15, 2019

Bill Summary: This proposal provides that a court may, rather than shall, double the fine imposed for a traffic offense committed in a designated travel safe zone.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
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 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
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 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022
Local Government	Less than (\$100,000)	Less than (\$100,000)	Less than (\$100,000)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator, Department of Revenue and Department of Transportation** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Missouri Highway Patrol (MHP)** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

MHP notes the following number of citations and warnings were issued for violations that occurred in a travel safe zone:

Year	Citations	Warnings
2018	101	26
2017	84	25
2016	242	40

Oversight notes this proposal removes the provision that requires courts to double fine amounts if a violation is assessed in a travel safe zone. Oversight assumes the removal of this provision could decrease the amount of fine revenue collected.

Oversight notes that fine amounts vary for the multiple moving and speeding violations referenced in this proposal. A portion of the ticket amount consists of fine revenue (to the local school districts) and the remaining amount consists of various state and local funds for court costs. However, all fines may not have been paid (for example, the court could have dismissed the ticket or set the fine at a different amount). Also, judges may continue to double fines in travel safe zones with passage of this legislation.

Oversight does not know how many such tickets were issued statewide by all law enforcement agencies in travel safe zones but would assume the majority are issued by the MHP. Oversight notes court costs should remain the same regardless if the fine is doubled; therefore, Oversight will reflect a potential decrease in fine revenue to local political subdivisions of "Less than \$100,000" per year.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2020 (10 Mo.)	FY 2021	FY 2022
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LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

<u>Loss</u> - fine revenue to various local political subdivisions for tickets for various moving and speeding violations in travel safe zones	Less than <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Less than <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Less than <u>(\$100,000)</u>
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO THE LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	Less than <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Less than <u>(\$100,000)</u>	Less than <u>(\$100,000)</u>
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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 specifies that a court may, rather than shall, double the fine for certain traffic offenses when committed in a travel safe zone designated by the Missouri Department of Transportation.

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

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