COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1577S.01I Bill No.: SB 419

Subject: Department of Social Services; Department of Mental Health; Mental Health;

Children and Minors; Hospitals; Health Care Professionals; Courts

Type: Original

Date: January 24, 2023

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to mental health services for

vulnerable persons.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
General Revenue	(Could exceed \$750,000)	(Could exceed \$750,000)	\$0	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on General Revenue	(Could exceed \$750,000)	(Could exceed \$750,000)	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on Other 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 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on All Federal				
Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	
Total Estimated Net				
Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

- ⊠ Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS					
FUND AFFECTED FY 2024 FY 2025					
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0		

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§630.1150 - Project to assess Mental Health services for vulnerable persons

Officials from the **Department of Mental Health (DMH)** state this proposal creates a collaborative project to assess Mental Health services for vulnerable persons.

Section 630.1150 of this proposal states DMH and the Department of Social Services (DSS) shall oversee and implement a collaborative project and removes the Mental Health Commission from the project. The project consists of assessing the incidence and implication of continued hospitalization of foster children and clients of DMH, as well as, foster children with mental illnesses, mental disorder, intellectual disabilities, and developmental disabilities that occurs without medical justification because appropriate post-discharge placement options are unavailable. The project also includes developing recommendations to ensure that patients described in this subsection receive treatment in the most cost-effective and efficacious settings, consistent with federal and state standards for treatment in the least restrictive environment. The provisions of this section shall expire on January 1, 2025.

The proposed language is included in Chapter 630, which applies to DMH. While DMH and DSS will work together on the project, DMH assumes it will be responsible for contracting with a vendor to perform the duties stated. DMH estimates the cost for a vendor to provide these services would be greater than or equal to \$750,000 for FY 2024 and FY 2025.

Oversight does not have information to the contrary and therefore, Oversight will reflect the estimates as provided by DMH.

Officials from the Department of Commerce and Insurance, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, the Department of Health and Senior Services, the Department of Social Services, the Missouri House of Representatives, the Missouri Senate, and the Office of Administration each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. Oversight does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

Oversight only reflects the responses received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other nursing homes, schools and hospitals were requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON THE GENERAL REVENUE FUND	(Could exceed \$750,000)	(Could exceed <u>\$750,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Costs – DMH (§§630.015; 630.055 and 630.1150) Contractor services p. 3	(Could exceed \$750,000)	(Could exceed \$750,000)	<u>\$0</u>
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FISCAL IMPACT – State Government	FY 2024 (10 Mo.)	FY 2025	FY 2026

FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government	FY 2024 (10 Mo.)	FY 2025	FY 2026
	(10 1.100)		
	<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

Under this act, the Department of Mental Health (DMH) and the Department of Social Services shall oversee and implement a collaborative project to assess the continued hospitalization without medical justification of foster children and DMH clients due to a lack of post-discharge placement options or because they are awaiting screening for appropriateness of residential treatment services, as well as to develop recommendations to ensure these patients receive treatment in the most cost-effective and efficacious settings consistent with federal and state standards for treatment in the least restrictive environment. The Departments shall solicit information from specified persons and entities and shall issue interim reports by December 31, 2023, and July 1, 2024, before issuing a final report by December 1, 2024. The provisions of this act shall expire on January 1, 2025 (§630.1150).

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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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Commerce and Insurance
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Department of Health and Senior Services
Department of Mental Health
Department of Social Services
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