

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4889S.01I
Bill No.: SB 944
Subject: Attorneys; Law Enforcement Officers and Agencies; Public Officers; St. Louis City; Salaries
Type: Original
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Bill Summary: This proposal modifies the salary for the attorney of the Sheriff of the City of St. Louis.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on All Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
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 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Local Government	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed \$60,000)	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed \$60,000)	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed \$60,000)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§57.540 – Compensation for the Attorney of the Sheriff of the City of St. Louis

Officials from the **City of St. Louis** state the proposed legislation would raise the salary limit for the position of Attorney of the Sheriff of the City of St. Louis. The current limit under the existing statute is \$15,000 (although payroll records may indicate current salary of \$25,000). Should the Sheriff of the City elect to raise this position's salary to the new limit, there would be an increase in cost to the City of at least \$50,000 in salary plus another \$14,000 in fringe benefits (FICA, pension, life insurance, etc.) bringing the total additional cost to nearly \$65,000.

Oversight assumes this proposal would raise the salary of the Sheriff's Attorney from the current amount in statute of \$15,000 to \$75,000 per year or a \$60,000 increase. Oversight notes this amount would just be for the salary and not for any additional cost for fringe benefits. Oversight is unaware how much the salary would be increased should this proposal be enacted. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a \$0 (no adjustment to the current salary) or unknown cost that could exceed \$60,000 (\$75,000 - \$15,000) annually to account for the additional increase in fringe benefits.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS			
<u>Cost</u> – City of St. Louis (§57.540) Increase in the salary for the Attorney for the Sheriff of the City of St. Louis p.3	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed <u>\$60,000</u>)	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed <u>\$60,000</u>)	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed <u>\$60,000</u>)
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed <u>\$60,000</u>)	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed <u>\$60,000</u>)	\$0 or (Unknown, could exceed <u>\$60,000</u>)

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Current law provides that the attorney for the sheriff of the City of St. Louis shall receive compensation in the amount of not less than \$3,000 and not more than \$15,000 per year. This act provides that the compensation range shall be from \$15,000 to \$75,000 per year.

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

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