

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO.: 3011-01
BILL NO.: SB 0657
SUBJECT: Conservation Department and hunting violations
TYPE: Original
DATE: December 15, 1999

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
General Revenue Fund	\$6,000	\$7,200	\$7,200
Court Automation Fund	\$1,167	\$1,400	\$1,400
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$7,167	\$8,600	\$8,600

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

The **Department of Conservation (MDC)**, the **Missouri State Highway Patrol** and the **Office of Prosecution Services** assume they would not be impacted by this proposal.

The **State Courts Administrator (CTS)** estimates that there are approximately 3,500 wildlife related cases filed every year, but they have no way to estimate the number of convictions or the subsequent filings for expungement. However, they do not expect the number of expungements to significantly impact the workload of the courts.

Additionally, expungements are civil court actions and a full set of civil fees is collected on each case. Therefore, this legislation could affect state revenues with respect to the Clerk Fee (\$36 to state General Revenue) and the Court Automation Fund Fee (\$7 to the Court Automation Fund). **CTS** does estimate that approximately 200 cases per year could be filed and involve the payment of these civil fees.

This proposal could result in income to the General Revenue Fund and the Court Automation Fund; therefore, the proposal could result in an increase to Total State Revenues.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
<u>Income - State Courts Administrator</u>			
Clerk Fee	<u>\$6,000</u>	<u>\$7,200</u>	<u>\$7,200</u>
COURT AUTOMATION FUND			
<u>Income - State Courts Administrator</u>			
Court Automation Fund Fee	<u>\$1,167</u>	<u>\$1,400</u>	<u>\$1,400</u>

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<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	<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.

DESCRIPTION

This legislation changes the penalties for hunting violations and expunges misdemeanor convictions after three years.

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 Conservation
Missouri State Highway Patrol
State Courts Administrator
Office of Prosecution Services



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