

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO. 3164-01
BILL NO. SB 730
SUBJECT: Corrections, Department; Prisons and Jails
TYPE: Original
DATE: January 17, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
None			
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
 This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations** assume this proposal would have no fiscal impact to their agency.

In response to an identical proposal last session, officials from the **Office of the Attorney General** assumed this proposal would have no fiscal impact to their agency.

In response to an identical proposal last session, officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** assumed that the proposal to establish work programs, as defined in this legislation, is not a mandate to initiate such programs and therefore has not shown any fiscal impact as a result of this proposal. The proposed legislation permits the establishment of these work programs, as determined by the department, but does not require the department to implement such programs. DOC officials noted that this proposal in part duplicates Section 217.040, RSMo.

Since the DOC currently employs general population inmates in productive full-time assignments, the need to establish additional work programs, as defined in this legislation, is not necessary.

Currently, inmates who are eligible to work outside the facility (low-risk offenders) work full-time in the community without chains. All other inmates (high-risk offenders) work behind the "walls" because they do not meet the eligibility criteria for community work which is determined largely by the nature of the offense, length of sentence being served and institutional conduct.

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

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

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DESCRIPTION

This proposal would allow the Department of Corrections to require offenders to work and to participation in self-improvement programs. This proposal would require offenders participating in work programs to wear shackles and chains. Offenders convicted of first degree murder, first degree assault, forcible rape, or forcible sodomy would not be placed in work programs. Offenders would not be considered state employees, nor would their work be considered employment.

This legislation is not federally mandated and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Corrections
Office of the Attorney General
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations



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