

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. NO.: 4154-01
BILL NO.: SB 900
SUBJECT: Crimes and Punishment: Sports
TYPE: Original
DATE: January 31, 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

In response to an identical proposal, officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assumed the proposed legislation could result in a number of technical violations; however, they would not expect a significant increase in criminal prosecutions. Therefore, CTS assumes this proposal would have no fiscal impact on the budget of the judiciary.

In response to an identical proposal, officials from the **Office of Prosecution Services (OPS)** assumed the proposal could impact the caseloads of local prosecutors; however, OPS assumes that the impact on a given office would be minimal and could be absorbed with existing resources.

In response to an identical proposal, officials from the **Office of the Attorney General** assumed any fiscal impact resulting from the proposed legislation could be absorbed by their agency.

In response to an identical proposal, officials from the **Office of State Public Defender (SPD)** assumed that existing staff could provide representation for those 20-25 cases arising where the indigent persons were accused of "intimidating a sports official." However, passage of more than one similar bill would require the State Public Defender System to request increased appropriations to cover the cumulative cost of representing the indigent accused.

In response to an identical proposal, officials from the **Department of Corrections (DOC)** stated that they could not predict the number of new commitments which could result from the creation of the offense(s) outlined in this proposal. An increase in commitments would depend on the utilization of prosecutors and the actual sentences imposed by the court. If additional persons were sentenced to the custody of the DOC due to the provisions of this legislation, the DOC would incur a corresponding increase in operational costs either through incarceration (average \$35.00 per inmate, per day) or through supervision provided by the Board of Probation and Parole (average \$3.50 per offender, per day). Supervision by the DOC through probation or incarceration would result in some additional costs, but DOC officials assume that the impact would be minimal.

The need for additional capital improvements or rental space is not anticipated at this time. It must be noted that the cumulative effect of various new legislation, if adopted, could result in the need for additional capital improvements funding if the total number of new offenders exceeds current planned capacity.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	0	0	0
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
	0	0	0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

This proposal would create the crime of intimidation of a coach or sports official. A person could be charged with this crime if he commits any of the following acts and such act is motivated by the victim's status as a coach or sports official: 1) attempting to injure the coach or official; 2) threatening the coach or official; 3) touching the coach or official in an offensive manner; or 4) communicating to the coach or official a threat to commit any felony. Intimidation of a coach or sports official would be a class D felony. A sports official would be defined as a referee, umpire or other official who registers with an organized training body or a person who volunteers as an official.

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

Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Corrections
Department of Public Safety - Missouri State Highway Patrol
Office of Prosecution Services
Office of State Public Defender
Office of the Attorney General



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