COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. NO.</u>: 4260-01 <u>BILL NO.</u>: SB 925

SUBJECT: Economic Development; Missouri Agricultural Advocates Office

TYPE: Original

DATE: February 14, 2000

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS							
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003				
General Revenue Fund	(\$237,219)	(\$252,012)	(\$258,481)				
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	(\$237,219)	(\$252,012)	(\$258,481)				

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

Officials from the **Department of Agriculture** and the **Office of Administration - Budget and Planning** assume their agency would not be administratively impacted by this proposed legislation.

Oversight assumes the Missouri Agricultural Advocates Office would need an Executive Director, an Assistant Attorney, two Management Analysts and one Clerk Stenographer and has included Personal Services, Fringe Benefits and Expense and Equipment for these positions. Additionally, Oversight has included expenses for the eleven members of the Missouri Agricultural Advocates Advisory Council.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2001 (10 Mo.)	FY 2002	FY 2003
GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
Cost - Department of Economic			
Development (DED)			
Personal Service	(\$135,655)	(\$166,856)	(\$171,027)
Fringe Benefits	(\$41,714)	(\$51,308)	(\$52,591)
Expense and Equipment	(\$50,225)	(\$23,934)	(\$24,652)
Council Expenses	<u>(\$9,625)</u>	<u>(\$9,914)</u>	(\$10,211)
Estimated Net Effect on			
GENERAL REVENUE FUND	<u>(\$237,219)</u>	<u>(\$252,012)</u>	<u>(\$258,481)</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2001	FY 2002	FY 2003
	(10 Mo.)		
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

DESCRIPTION

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This act creates the Missouri Agricultural Advocates Office within the Department of Economic Development to advocate for farmers and the agriculture industry.

The office will be governed by an eleven member council appointed by the Director of the Department of Economic Development from names submitted by eleven different trade associations. Members serve two year terms and shall be reimbursed for expenses. The Council may employ an executive director and a staff of not more than five, one of which must be a licensed attorney.

The Council and staff shall review and contest state and federal legislation and regulations, and local orders and ordinances affecting agriculture. The Council shall act as liaison for agriculture with government and the public and the council may enter into any legal action on behalf of agriculture.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements, but would require rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Agriculture Office of Administration Budget and Planning

NOT RESPONDING: Department of Economic Development

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