

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 3127-02  
Bill No.: SB 1075  
Subject: Agriculture and Animals: Food and Farming  
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**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
General Revenue	(\$145,896)	(\$175,075)	(\$175,075)
Pesticide Project	\$0 to \$359,679	\$0 to \$449,567	\$0 to \$447,057
Breimyer Center For Sustainable Food and Farming Systems	\$0 to \$770,666	\$0 to \$920,625	\$0 to \$916,140
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds</b>	<b>(\$145,896) to \$984,449</b>	<b>(\$175,075) to \$1,195,117</b>	<b>(\$175,075) to \$1,188,122</b>

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.  
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<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2003</b>	<b>FY 2004</b>	<b>FY 2005</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Office of the Governor**, the **Department of Economic Development**, and the **Office of the State Treasurer** indicated that the proposal would have no direct fiscal impact on their agencies or that costs would be absorbed.

Officials of the **Department of Agriculture's Division of Plant Industries** stated that the \$15 per label pesticide fee generated \$175,075 for the General Revenue Fund in FY 2001. They estimate that the Department would collect \$150 on 11,000 labels (\$1,650,000). One-third would be credited to the Pesticide Project Fund and the balance to the Breimyer Center For Sustainable Food and Farming Systems Fund.

Officials would request a Program Coordinator and a Clerk Typist III to administer the program. They assume that they would select proposals on a competitive basis in the areas of: pesticide and pesticide container disposal; pesticide education; water quality monitoring; integrated pest management; pesticide applicator training and related areas of concern.

Officials of the **University of Missouri** state that cost for an Executive Director, an attorney and a support staff for the Breimyer Center would be at least \$175,000. They noted that the proposal would not limit Center staff to those three persons and indicated that the University was not fiscally able to support any staff beyond those which would be funded by the pesticide fee funding mechanism.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
<b>GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<u>Loss</u> - Pesticide Registration Fees	(\$145,896)	(\$175,075)	(\$175,075)
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>	<b><u>(\$145,896)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$175,075)</u></b>	<b><u>(\$175,075)</u></b>

**PESTICIDE PROJECT FUND**

<u>Income</u> - Pesticide Label Fees	\$458,333	\$550,000	\$550,000
<u>Cost</u> - Department of Agriculture (AGR)			
Personal Service ( 2 FTE)	(\$60,034)	(\$73,842)	(\$75,688)
Fringe Benefits	(\$21,618)	(\$26,591)	(\$27,255)
Expense and Equipment	<u>(\$17,002)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Administrative Costs to AGR	(\$98,654)	(\$100,433)	(\$102,943)
<u>Cost</u> - Funding for Pest-Related Issues	(\$0 to \$359,679)	(\$0 to \$449,567)	(\$0 to \$447,057)

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON PESTICIDE PROJECT FUND**                      \$0 to \$359,679    \$0 to \$449,567    \$0 to \$447,057

**BREIMYER CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE FOOD AND FARMING SYSTEMS FUND**

<u>Income</u> - Pesticide Label Fees	\$916,666	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
<u>Cost</u> - Center Staff and Expenses	(\$146,000)	(\$179,375)	(\$183,860)
<u>Cost</u> - Center Programs	(\$0 to \$770,666)	(\$0 to \$920,625)	(\$0 to \$916,140)

**ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON BREIMYER CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE FOOD AND FARMING SYSTEMS FUND**                      \$0 to \$770,666    \$0 to \$920,625    \$0 to \$916,140

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal. Small family farms could benefit from Center programs and services.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal would create the Breimyier Center for Sustainable Food and Farming Systems within the Department of Agriculture as a type II entity. The Center would be housed primarily at DESCRIPTION (continued)

the University of Missouri at Columbia. The Center's goal would be to assist family farms by promoting sustainable family farm agriculture, community foods systems and food security in Missouri. The Center would support research in the aforementioned areas and would be authorized to provide grants.

The Center would also provide legal information for groups wishing to challenge existing or proposed statutes, rules or regulations and specific methods for challenge are specified.

The salary for executive director of the Breimyer Center would be funded through appropriations and at least one of the Center's staff would be an attorney licensed to practice law in the state of Missouri.

The proposal would create a Breimyer Center for Sustainable Food and Farming Systems Governing Board. Board membership is set out in the proposal. Members would be Governor - appointed with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Board would elect officers, inform the public about sustainable food and farming innovations, methods, procedures and information, regulatory and statutory changes and other pertinent information. The Board would hire the executive director for the Center.

The proposal would also create a Breimyer Center for Sustainable Food and Farming Systems Non-voting Advisory Council to work with and provide assistance to the Governing Board. Membership of the Council is specified in the proposal.

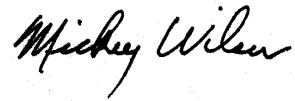
Pesticide registration fees would be raised to \$150 (from \$15) per product per year. One-third of those moneys would remain in the Pesticide Project Fund and two-thirds would be transferred to the newly created Breimyer Center for Sustainable Food and Farming Systems Fund.

The proposal would also give the Director of the Department of Agriculture authority to deny, cancel or revoke a pesticide registration in specified instances.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space. This legislation would affect Total State Revenue.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Agriculture  
Department of Economic Development  
Office of the State Treasurer  
University of Missouri  
Office of the Governor



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