

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
 OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4417-02
Bill No.: Perfected SCS for SB 1086 & 1126
Subject: Cities: Weed Abatement
Type: Original
Date: March 12, 2002

FISCAL SUMMARY

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

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

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005
Local Government	\$44,865	\$44,865	\$44,865

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
 This fiscal note contains 3 pages.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials of the **Department of Natural Resources** assume no fiscal impact to their department.

Officials of the **City of Independence** stated that this proposal would not create costs or any additional revenues, but the proposal would generate significant savings from the elimination of the need to send certified letters, and publish notices in the newspaper. Officials estimate annual savings at \$34,865. Savings from not having to publish notices would be about \$10,000 a year.

Oversight assumes this proposal is enabling legislation, and provides another option for weed abatement in certain cities. Cities would have no fiscal impact unless their governing body would elect to control weeds under the provisions of this proposal. Oversight assumes cities could have property cleaned and the cost would be recoverable.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2003 (10 Mo.)	FY 2004	FY 2005
<u>Savings</u> to Certain Cities from postage and publication costs	<u>\$44,865</u>	<u>\$44,865</u>	<u>\$44,865</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Small businesses located in the City of Independence or Excelsior Springs, that would not clean up their property, and would be in violation of certain ordinances that pertain to weed and trash nuisances, could expect to have their property cleaned and the city would require the business to pay the cost of cleanup.

DESCRIPTION

This act allows cities with home rule in counties of the first classification with charter form of government to remove trash and weeds on properties that violate city ordinances. The substitute also allows the City of Excelsior Springs to order the abatement of weeds and trash within five business days after notice is sent or posted on the property. If the property is not cleaned within

DESCRIPTION (continued)

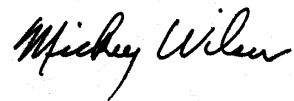
five days, the city may have the property cleaned and the cost of cleanup would be billed, on a special tax bill, to the owner that would be collected by the Collector along with taxes that would

be assessed against the property.

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 Natural Resources
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