

HCS HJR 41 -- STATE COURT JURISDICTION (Cunningham, 86)

COMMITTEE OF ORIGIN: Special Committee on General Laws

Upon voter approval, this proposed constitutional amendment prohibits the Missouri Supreme Court or any inferior court of the state from imposing or ordering any new or increased taxes, licenses, or fees. The amendment also prohibits any Missouri court from instructing or ordering the General Assembly or any elected or appointed officer of the state, any political subdivision, or governmental agency or authority to appropriate or spend public funds except as expressly authorized by legislation or approved by Missouri voters. However, the amendment will not limit the court's authority to enter and enforce judgments concerning lawful contracts or bonded indebtedness of the state or enjoin the levy or collection of illegal taxes, licenses, or fees or the expenditure of public funds not authorized by law.

FISCAL NOTE: No impact on state funds in FY 2009, FY 2010, and FY 2011.