COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.</u>: 0099-03

Bill No.: SCS for HCS for HB 96

Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary: Elementary and Secondary Education

Department; Teachers

Type: Original Date: May 11, 2009

Bill Summary: This proposal modifies provisions relating to school safety and protection

measures.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 6 pages.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)						
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2010 FY 2011 FY 2				
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0			

- □ Estimated Total Net Effect on All funds expected to exceed \$100,000 savings or (cost).
- ☐ Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund expected to exceed \$100,000 (cost).

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0	

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of State Courts Administrator** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on the courts.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Administrative Hearing Commission** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their agency.

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their agency.

According to officials from the **Secretary of State's Office (SOS)**, many bills considered by the General Assembly include provisions allowing or requiring agencies to submit rules and regulations to implement the act. The SOS is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of normal activity resulting from each year's legislative session. The fiscal impact for this fiscal note to the SOS for Administrative Rules is less than \$2,500.

Oversight assumes the SOS could absorb the costs of printing and distributing regulations related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require the printing and distribution of regulations at substantial costs, the SOS could request funding through the appropriation process. Any decisions to raise fees to defray costs would likely be made in subsequent fiscal years.

Officials from the **Department of Public Safety - Office of the Director** and **Missouri State Highway Patrol** state this proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective agencies.

According to officials from the **Department of Social Services - Children's Division (DOS-CD)**, this proposed legislation would not fiscally impact the Children's Division. The legislation changes the laws regarding school employee liability, safety practices, and reporting acts of violence. Children in the Division's custody by definition are homeless for schooling purposes. The change in definition proposed in the legislation would not change policy or procedure. Since this does not affect children in CD custody, there is no fiscal impact.

§160.263 - Seclusion rooms

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** state there would be no fiscal impact to their agency.

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<u>ASSUMPTION</u> (continued)

§160.755 - Bullying

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** did not indicate any fiscal impact on the agency level; however, they assume local school districts might incur additional printing costs to implement this proposal. In addition, depending upon the level of training required by each school districts for its school employees and volunteers, there could be significant unknown costs.

Oversight assumes an anti-bullying policy is already in place in school districts and any implementation costs attributed to the amendments to current statute could be absorbed with current resources.

§ 162.215 - School officers

Officials from the **Blue Springs School District** state there will not be any additional cost to their district as a result of this proposal.

Oversight notes that this section only applies to the Blue Springs School District.

§ 167.020, 167.022 - School and health records

According to officials from the **Department of Social Services - Division of Youth Services** (**DOS-DYS**), this section contains a provision that appears to potentially impact the DYS. It requires districts to forward Individual Education Plans and health records with education records within two business days. Although this is commonly considered a best practice, it is not currently required by statute.

These changes are most applicable to public school policy and procedures and are not expected to fiscally impact DOS-DYS.

§ 168.133.8 - Transferability of records

Officials from the **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** were unable to determine a fiscal impact for this section due to uncertainties regarding the meaning of the language. The meaning of the sentence, "A teacher's change in type of certification shall have no effect on the transferability of such records" is unclear. Currently, when a person adds a different classification area, they are re-fingerprinted; this does not affect how long the background

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clearance is considered valid. DESE states it is necessary to continue to fingerprint people when they add a new classification – sometimes information is obtained that DESE has never been able to access. Fingerprints completed within the last year would be accepted. For those who have not been printed for 5-10 years, DESE needs to check because otherwise they have no opportunity to determine if their background is clear in other states.

Oversight assumes the language in this section of the proposed legislation addresses the transferability of records and does not mandate additional fingerprinting or background checks and therefore will assign no fiscal impact.

Officials from the **Special School District of St Louis County** assume this proposal will not have a material fiscal impact on their district.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no fiscal impact.

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

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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Children's Division

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Department of Public Safety

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Missouri State Highway Patrol

Office of Secretary of State

Administrative Rules Division

School Districts

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