

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0210-06  
Bill No.: SCS for HCS for HB 250  
Subject: Agriculture and Animals; Roads an Highways  
Type: Original  
Date: May 8, 2009

Bill Summary: Allows all United States residents access to lands owned, managed or funded by the state for the purpose of riding horses or mules under certain conditions.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

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

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

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

This fiscal note contains 6 pages.

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

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

- 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).

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

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Attorney General's Office** assume no fiscal impact to their agency.

In response to HCS for HB 250, officials from the **Department of Conservation (MDC)** assume this proposed legislation restricts the ability to determine the appropriate types of public use that may be allowed on public land by giving preference to equestrian use based on historic use or future development of any trails on state lands. This preference appears to be without regard to other types of public uses, security on an area, changing land use and public demands, public safety, development, operation and maintenance costs, and related authorities associated with state and federal agencies, management agreements, and outside funding arrangements resulting in possible refunds of past grants. The long-term costs associated with implementing this legislation would be substantial.

**Oversight** assumes this proposal allows access to riding horses or mules on trails and roads that are currently in use and maintained by the state for this purpose. **Oversight** assumes the fiscal impact of this proposal is \$0.

Officials with the **Department of Natural Resources (DNR)** assume this proposal assures access to public land owned, managed, or funded by the state of Missouri for horse and mule use on trails that are currently designated by the state as land upon which horses or mule scan be ridden.

The DNR would not anticipate a direct fiscal impact from this proposal

Parks lands are designated for different purposes and uses. Through classification the department is able to accommodate different kinds of user groups, and locate them where the impacts and maintenance may be best managed.

Currently the department has the following facilities to accommodate our equestrian visitors:

Facilities with existing equestrian trails:

Babler  
Baker  
Castlewood  
Crowder  
Cuivre River  
Johnson's Shut-Ins

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ASSUMPTION (continued)

Katy Trail  
Knob Noster  
Lake of the Ozarks  
Lake Wappapello - this connects with Ozark trail (100 miles of trail).  
Rock Bridge  
Rt. 66  
St. Francois  
St. Joe  
Trail of Tears  
Watkins Woolen Mill

Facilities with existing equestrian campgrounds:

Baker  
Cuivre River  
Knob Noster  
St. Joe

Facilities with existing stables:

Babler -- not currently in operation  
Lake of the Ozarks  
Roaring River -- not currently in operation

Facilities with proposed addition/expansion of equestrian amenities:

Johnson's Shut-Ins -- equestrian campground  
Lake Wappapello -- provide equestrian trailhead and campground  
Robertsville -- equestrian trail and trailhead  
Mark Twain -- equestrian campground and trailhead to connect to Corps of Engineers equestrian trail

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

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2009 (10 Mo.)	FY 2010	FY 2011
	<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.

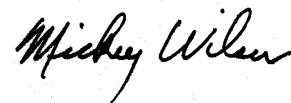
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The act prohibits the denial of access to trails and roads on state-owned or state-managed public land for the purpose of riding a horse or mule when equestrian use has been up to that point a permissible use on such trails or roads. The act allows such trails or roads to be closed to equestrian use only when conditions are determined not suitable due to public safety, necessary maintenance, or conflict with the mission of the land-managing agency. In such cases, a sign must be posted at the trailhead stating the cause and estimated duration of the closure.

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 Conservation  
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