

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
OVERSIGHT DIVISION

**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1012-01  
Bill No.: HB 426  
Subject: Agriculture and Animals; Agriculture Dept.; Veterinarians  
Type: Original  
Date: February 25, 2009

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Bill Summary: Establishes the Large Carnivore Act which regulates the ownership, possession and breeding of large carnivores

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>
<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>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2010</b>	<b>FY 2011</b>	<b>FY 2012</b>
<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 4 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>

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**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

ASSUMPTION

Officials with the **Department of Conservation, Missouri Highway Patrol, Department of Natural Resources** and **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume no fiscal impact to their agencies.

Officials from the **Department of Agriculture (AGR)** assume to implement the provisions of the proposal, the Division of Animal Health assumes that 3 FTE's would be required to carry out the provisions as outlined.

An Animal Health Program Coordinator would be required to coordinate, develop and implement program guidelines and operating procedures, reviewing applications and determining eligibility for permitting, interpreting and explaining state and federal statutes and regulations and responding to inquiries from program participants and the general public. The State Veterinarian would provide technical assistance and general supervision. This position would be required to travel through-out the state to meet with local and county authorities concerning provisions of this proposal.

An Office Support Assistant would serve as support to the Animal Health Program Coordinator. This position would provide general information and assistant in preparation of forms, database for permits, direct individuals to proper destinations; receive and distribute program information; schedule and/or arrange appointments, travel reservations, etc.

An Animal Health Officer would be required to monitor the regulations for this program, follow up on public inquiries and work with local law enforcement to manage illegal activity.

**Oversight** assumes this would be accomplished during the normal budgetary process. Therefore, Oversight assumes the initial administrative impact of this proposal is \$0.

<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 2010 (10 Mo.)	FY 2011	FY 2012
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

Yes – it will require every individual that has an animal that falls under this proposal to obtain a permit from the Department of Agriculture.

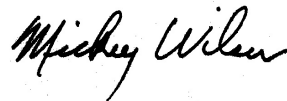
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

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.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Agriculture  
Department of Conservation  
Missouri Highway Patrol  
Office of State Courts Administrator  
Department of Natural Resources



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