

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 5679-01
Bill No.: HB 1891
Subject: Courts; Judges; Civil Procedure; St. Louis City; Libraries and Archives
Type: Original
Date: March 21, 2018

Bill Summary: This proposal allows the circuit court in St. Louis City to collect a fee not to exceed twenty dollars, rather than fifteen, to go toward the law library.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Local Government	\$0 to \$138,521	\$0 to \$166,225	\$0 to \$166,225

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials at the **Office of the State Courts Administrator (OSCA)** assume the proposed legislation allows the circuit court in St. Louis City to collect a fee not to exceed twenty dollars, rather than fifteen, to go toward the law library. During the past five years there was an average of 7,585 circuit civil case filings, 7,346 domestic relations civil case filings and 18,314 associate civil and small claims civil case filings, for a total of 33,245. Based upon the increase in the collection fee not to exceed \$20, rather than \$15, to go toward the library, OSCA estimates the increase to be \$0 to \$166,225 (\$5 * 33,245).

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2019 (10 Mo.)	FY 2020	FY 2021
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ST. LOUIS CITY CIRCUIT COURT FUNDS

<u>Revenue</u> - on filing fees to go towards law library	<u>\$0 to \$138,521</u>	<u>\$0 to \$166,225</u>	<u>\$0 to \$166,225</u>
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON ST. LOUIS CITY CIRCUIT COURT FUNDS

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FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

Currently, the circuit court in any circuit may collect a fee in civil cases not to exceed \$15, and that fee shall go toward maintenance and upkeep of the law library in the designated county. This bill allows Jackson County and any circuit that reimburses the state for salaries of family court commissioners to charge a fee up to \$20. The bill adds the circuit court in the city of St. Louis to the circuits that may charge a fee up to \$20.

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

Office of the State Courts Administrator

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