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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 4655-01
Bill No.: HB 1961
Subject: Education, Elementary and Secondary; Weapons
Type: Original
Date: February 17, 2020

Bill Summary: This proposal establishes the "Keep Our Schools Safe Act."

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
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 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
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 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Local Government	\$0 to could exceed (\$59,430,000 to \$93,390,000)	\$0 to could exceed (\$59,430,000 to \$93,390,000)	\$0 to could exceed (\$59,430,000 to \$93,390,000)

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

The **Missouri Highway Patrol** assumes this proposal will have no direct fiscal impact on their agency.

The **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education** assumes this proposal will likely have an impact on local school districts. We defer to them regarding the extent of any impact.

Officials from the **Santa Fe R-X School District** assume this bill would cost our district approximately \$100,000 - \$130,000 annually.

Officials from the **Sherwood Cass R-VIII School District** assume that a partnership with the Cass County Sheriff's Office runs about \$35,000 per year.

Officials from the **Raymore - Peculiar School District** believe the only way to ensure a qualified school protection officer is present in each school would be to contract for additional SRO's. Ray-Pec currently has three officers serving a total of 12 school campuses. The cost for an additional nine officers would be approximately \$495,000, or \$55,000 per officer. This number could be reduced if qualified volunteers were identified and would be willing to serve on a daily basis.

Oversight assumes this proposal would have no direct fiscal impact on state agencies.

According to information from DESE, as of July 1, 2018, there were 2,264 public school buildings in Missouri, excluding charter schools. **Oversight** assumes that if 25% of school buildings are already in compliance with this proposal, 1,698 school protection officers are needed. If a volunteer school protection officer could not be found, Oversight assumes each would cost between \$35,000 and \$55,000, annually.

If 1,698 non-volunteer school protection officers cost between \$35,000 and \$55,000 annually, **Oversight** assumes this proposal would have a net direct fiscal impact to local government of \$0 (school districts are able to find enough volunteers that SROs are not required to be contracted) to could exceed (\$59,430,000 to \$93,390,000).

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2021 (10 Mo.)	FY 2022	FY 2023
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2021 (10 Mo.)	FY 2022	FY 2023
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SCHOOL DISTRICTS

	\$0 to could exceed	\$0 to could exceed	\$0 to could exceed
<u>Cost - Hiring School Protection Officers</u> (if not enough volunteers can be found)	(\$59,430,000 to <u>\$93,390,000</u>)	(\$59,430,000 to <u>\$93,390,000</u>)	(\$59,430,000 to <u>\$93,390,000</u>)
	\$0 to could exceed	\$0 to could exceed	\$0 to could exceed
<u>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON SCHOOL DISTRICTS</u>	(\$59,430,000 to <u>\$93,390,000</u>)	(\$59,430,000 to <u>\$93,390,000</u>)	(\$59,430,000 to <u>\$93,390,000</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 direct fiscal impact on State agencies.

§ 160.655 - SPO requirement

This proposal requires each school district to have at least one “school protection officer” designated for each school building. This provision expands those who could qualify to be a school protection officer, and requires them to carry a concealed firearm. It also implements procedural requirements related to the designation and release of school protection officers.

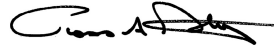
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Missouri Highway Patrol
Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Santa Fe R-X School District
Sherwood Cass R-VIII School District
Raymore - Peculiar School District



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