

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH  
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**FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 0592H.03C  
Bill No.: HCS for HB 59  
Subject: Crimes and Punishment; Law Enforcement Officers and Agencies; County Government; County Officials; Counties; Unemployment Compensation  
Type: Original  
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Bill Summary: This proposal establishes provisions to protect personal information of active and retired first responders.

**FISCAL SUMMARY**

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue</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 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</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.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</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 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
<b>Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS</b>			
<b>FUND AFFECTED</b>	<b>FY 2022</b>	<b>FY 2023</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
<b>Local Government</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>	<b>\$0 to (Unknown)</b>

## FISCAL ANALYSIS

### ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Office of the State Courts Administrator**, the **Department of Labor and Industrial Relations**, the **Attorney General's Office**, the **Department of Commerce and Insurance**, the **Department of Natural Resources**, the **Department of Corrections**, the **Missouri Highway Patrol**, the **Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan** and the **Missouri Office of Prosecution Services** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services**, the **Department of Revenue** and the **Department of Public Safety's Division of Fire Safety** and **Missouri State Highway Patrol** each assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

For the purpose of the proposed legislation, and as a result of excessive caseloads, the **Missouri State Public Defender (MSPD)** cannot assume existing staff will be able to provide competent, effective representation for any new cases where indigent persons are charged with the proposed new crime(s) concerning law enforcement officers under Chapter 565. The MSPD is currently providing legal representation in caseloads in excess of recognized standards. While the number of new cases may be too few or uncertain to request additional funding for this specific bill, the MSPD will continue to request sufficient appropriations to provide competent and effective representation in all cases where the right to counsel attaches.

**Oversight** notes chapter 565 was taken out of this version of the bill. **Oversight** assumes the MSPD will be able to perform any additional duties required by this proposal with current staff and resources and will reflect no fiscal impact to the MSPD for fiscal note purposes.

In response to a previous version, officials at the **Ste. Genevieve County Collector's Office** state they have a computer that is available for public viewing of tax information. If the legislation passed, the Collector would likely eliminate public access to the computer and either have staff perform the tax information searches or make the historical tax information available online. The cost of these duties going forward would be unknown at this time. The cost of online tax lookup could be around \$2,000 to set up and around \$1,200 to maintain annually.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Kansas City Police Department (KCPD)** assumed a negative unknown impact from this proposal. KCPD states there is not sufficient funding through the City for critical safety equipment. The forfeiture fund purchases supplement the City's funding in order to support law enforcement activities.

**Oversight** has requested additional information from the Kansas City Police Department regarding forfeiture fund purchases. Upon the receipt of this information, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval to publish a new fiscal note if needed.

Officials from the **Clay County Auditor's Office** state the County Collector has already received these requests and has a way to comply with no cost to the County. Currently property tax receipts are available online. The Collector can take that off upon request and then the impacted property owner just has to call in to get his or her personal details/confirmations. The Clerk would redact confidential information as well when needed. The County Treasurer and Auditor keep records with the Clerk as Custodian of Records. With the Recorder of Deeds, however, the County estimates a one-time set-up fee for this capability of \$2,000.

Officials from the **Howell County Assessor's Office** assume counties will incur potential programming costs to implement this proposal. The Assessor's Office estimates the following for their office:

FY 2022 - \$10,000

FY 2023 - \$ 5,000

FY 2024 - \$ 5,000

**Oversight** assumes there could be additional staffing duties and/or programming expense to local political subdivisions relating to the provisions from this proposal. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a \$0 to unknown negative fiscal impact to local political subdivisions as a result of this proposal.

Officials from the **City of Corder**, the **City of Kansas City**, the **City of O'Fallon**, the **City of Springfield**, **St. Louis City**, the **Ellisville Police Department**, the **Fruitland Area Fire Protection District**, the **Pettis County Ambulance District**, the **St. Joseph Police Department**, the **St. Louis County Police Department**, the **Crawford County 911 Board** and the **Nodaway County Ambulance District** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

In response to a previous version, the **Boone County Sheriff's Department**, the **Crestwood Police Department**, the **Springfield Police Department** and the **Hermann Area Hospital District** each assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for these agencies.

**Oversight** only reflects the responses that we have received from state agencies and political subdivisions; however, other counties, recorders, assessors, auditors, collectors, prosecutors, treasurers, sheriffs, police, fire protection districts, ambulance districts and hospital districts were

requested to respond to this proposed legislation but did not. A general listing of political subdivisions included in our database is available upon request.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2022 (10 Mo.)	FY 2023	FY 2024
	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2022 (10 Mo.)	FY 2023	FY 2024
<b>LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>			
<u>Cost</u> - to implement the protections to first responders	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>	<u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u>
<b>ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS</b>	<b><u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u></b>	<b><u>\$0 to (Unknown)</u></b>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

There are over 166,000 small businesses (less than 50 employees) covered under Missouri’s unemployment insurance system. Because Missouri’s UI program is certified in conformity with Federal UI laws, most employers never actually pay the total 6.0% in FUTA taxes due to the credits they receive for the payment of state unemployment taxes and for paying reduced rates under an approved experience rating plan. However, this bill could cause Missouri employers to pay the full 6.0%.

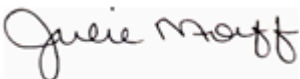
FISCAL DESCRIPTION

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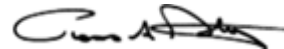
This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations  
Office of the State Public Defender  
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Kansas City Police Department  
Clay County Auditor's Office  
Office of the State Courts Administrator  
Attorney General's Office  
Department of Commerce and Insurance  
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Missouri Office of Prosecution Services  
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