

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1455-02
Bill No.: HCS for HB 566
Subject: Taxation and Revenue - Sales and Use; Cities, Towns, and Villages
Type: Original
Date: February 23, 2015

Bill Summary: This proposal would authorize certain cities to impose, upon voter approval, a sales tax of up to .5% for the purpose of improving the public safety of the city.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
This fiscal note contains 7 pages.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
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 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018
Local Government*	\$0 or (Less than \$130,000)	\$0	\$0

* Potential sales tax revenue and offsetting expenditures of approximately \$3,965,000 million annually if approved by the voters.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

In response to a previous version of this proposal, officials from the **City of Liberty** stated their estimate of revenue from a one-half cent sales tax would be approximately \$1,700,000 per year and the election cost would be approximately \$30,000. City officials did not indicate any additional cost to their organization to implement this proposal, and **Oversight** assumes any additional cost could be absorbed with existing resources. Oversight will include the city's estimated municipal election cost in this fiscal note.

Officials from the **City of North Kansas City** stated their estimate of revenue from a one-half cent sales tax would be approximately \$1,575,000 each year if the entire half-cent sales tax was levied. City officials did not indicate any additional cost to their organization to implement this proposal, and **Oversight** assumes any additional cost could be absorbed with existing resources. The city did not provide an estimate of election costs for this proposal, and Oversight will include an unknown but less than \$100,000 estimated election cost in this fiscal note for the city.

Officials from the **Office of Administration - Division of Budget and Planning (BAP)** noted the proposal would allow voters in certain cities to approve a sales tax up to ½ of one percent to improve public safety of the city.

BAP officials provided information from the Department of Revenue (DOR) 2014 sales tax report which indicated taxable sales in Liberty totaled \$428.8 million in fiscal year 2014. Therefore, BAP officials estimated the proposed sales tax could generate up to $(\$428,800,000 \times .005) = \2.14 million (rounded) annually for the city beginning as early as two weeks after the 2016 August primary election, unless a special election is called before such date. BAP officials assume up to \$1.79 million would be collected for FY 2017.

BAP officials also provided information from the Department of Revenue (DOR) 2014 sales tax report which indicated taxable sales in North Kansas City totaled \$365 million in fiscal year 2014. Therefore, BAP officials estimated the proposed sales tax could generate up to $(\$365,000,000 \times .005) = \1.825 million (rounded) annually for the city beginning as early as two weeks after the 2016 August primary election, unless a special election is called before such date. BAP officials assume up to \$1.544 million would be collected for FY 2017.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

BAP officials also noted the revenues collected would have no direct impact on Total State Revenues; however 1% would be retained to offset DOR collection costs, and Total State Revenues could be increased by \$39,650 if the sales tax proposals are approved.

For simplicity, **Oversight** will not include the one percent additional collection deduction in this fiscal note.

Oversight assumes the BAP revenue estimates for this proposal are the best estimates available and will use those estimates for this fiscal note. Oversight assumes the additional revenues would be spent for public safety purposes and will also include additional cost for local governments equal to the additional revenue in this fiscal note.

Oversight also assumes the proposals could be submitted to the voters as early as the April, 2016 (FY 2016) municipal elections. If a sales tax is approved by the voters, it would become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the election. The proposed sales tax could therefore become effective as early as October 1, 2016 (FY 2017).

For fiscal note purposes, **Oversight** will assume the election would be held with the April, 2016 municipal elections and sales tax could be collected from October 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 (FY 2017). Oversight is also aware there is some delay in collecting, reporting, accounting, and remitting sales tax to local governments; however, we will indicate revenue up to nine months (75%) of the annual estimate for FY 2017.

For the City of Liberty, the estimate would be $(\$2,140,000 \times .75) = \$1,605,000$, and for FY 2018 and following years, the sales tax revenue estimate would be \$2,140,000.

For the City of North Kansas City, the estimate would be $(\$1,825,000 \times .75) = \$1,369,000$ (rounded) and for FY 2018 and following years, the sales tax revenue estimate would be \$1,825,000.

Finally, **Oversight** notes this proposal would allow but not require the cities to propose a public safety sales tax to the voters, and the fiscal impact will be presented as \$0 (no election held) or the estimated election costs above and \$0 (no election or voters do not approve the sales tax) or the estimated sales tax revenue above.

ASSUMPTION (continued)

Officials from the **Department of Revenue (DOR)** stated this proposal would authorize these cities to impose a one-half percent sales tax for improving public safety but would have no impact on their organization.

DOR officials provided an estimate of the IT cost to implement the proposal of \$3,000 based on 40 hours of programming at \$75 per hour to make changes to DOR systems.

Oversight assumes OA - ITSD (DOR) is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year, and assumes OA - ITSD (DOR) could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, OA - ITSD (DOR) could request funding through the budget process.

Officials from the **Office of the Secretary of State (SOS)** assumed a previous version of this proposal would have no impact on their organization.

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Administrative Rules** assume this proposal would have no impact on their organization.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2016 (10 Mo.)	FY 2017	FY 2018
LOCAL GOVERNMENTS			
<u>Additional revenue - City of Liberty</u>			
Sales tax	\$0	\$0 or Up to \$1,605,000	\$0 or \$2,140,000
<u>Cost - City of Liberty</u>			
Public Safety	\$0	\$0 or (Up to \$1,605,000)	\$0 or (\$2,140,000)
<u>Cost - City of Liberty</u>			
Election	\$0 or (\$30,000)	\$0	\$0
<u>Additional revenue - City of North Kansas City</u>			
Sales tax	\$0	\$0 or Up to \$1,369,000	\$0 or \$1,825,000
<u>Cost - City of Liberty</u>			
Public Safety	\$0	\$0 or (Up to \$1,369,000)	\$0 or (\$1,825,000)
<u>Cost - City of North Kansas City</u>			
Election	\$0 or (Less than \$100,000)	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS	<u>\$0 or (Less than \$130,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

If the proposed sales tax is approved by the voters, this proposal would have a direct fiscal impact to a business in the designated cities which purchases taxable goods or services.

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

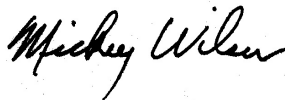
This legislation would authorize certain cities to submit to the voters a proposal to impose a sales tax of up to .5% for the purpose of improving the public safety of the city.

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 Secretary of State
Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
Office of Administration
 Division of Budget and Planning
Department of Revenue
City of Liberty
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