

1 **BOARD BILL NO. 63 INTRODUCED BY ALDERMAN ANTONIO FRENCH**

2 An Ordinance requiring that any proposed board bill which has a cost associated
3 with its passage have a fiscal note prepared.

4 **BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS AS FOLLOWS:**

5 **SECTION ONE.** (1) A proposed board bill shall prior to introduction be
6 accompanied by a fiscal note if such board bill authorizes any of the following:

7 a. An expansion of services which entails additional costs beyond that approved
8 in the current adopted city budget;

9 b. An undertaking of a new service for which no funding is provided in the
10 current adopted city budget;

11 c. A commitment of city funding in the future under certain specified conditions;

12 d. An issuance of bonds, notes and lease-purchase agreements which may require
13 additional funding beyond that approved in the current adopted city budget;

14 e. An execution or initiation of an activity as a result of federal or state mandates
15 or requirements;

16 f. A capital improvement project that increases operating costs over the current
17 adopted city budget; or,

18 g. A capital improvement project that requires funding not approved in the
19 current adopted budget or that will require funding in future years.

20 (2) The purpose of the fiscal note shall be to allow for a brief review of the fiscal impact
21 of the proposed board bill under consideration. A fiscal note shall be a brief informational
22 document, separate from any fact sheet or other document, conveying the estimated fiscal
23 impact of the proposed board bill on the city.

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1 (3) Estimated fiscal impact shall mean the following:

2 a. The estimated expenditures by the city resulting from the proposed board bill
3 for the current and next subsequent fiscal year;

4 b. Whether the proposed board bill is estimated to have a direct fiscal impact on
5 any city department or office;

6 c. Whether the proposed board bill creates a program or administrative
7 subdivision that significantly duplicates an already existing program or administrative
8 subdivision;

9 d. Whether the proposed board bill is estimated to require the construction of any
10 new physical facilities;

11 e. The amount of non-city funds that may be received in the current and next
12 subsequent fiscal year to fund the proposed board bill;

13 f. A description of the annual operating, equipment and maintenance costs
14 resulting from the proposed board bill.

15 (4) The Office of Legislative Research, in coordination with the City Budget Division
16 shall be responsible for the preparation of all fiscal notes and such fiscal notes shall be in
17 a form of their design. City departments and offices shall cooperate in providing any
18 information necessary for the preparation of a fiscal note.

19 (5) Upon introduction of a board bill, the Office of Legislative Research shall prepare a
20 fiscal note and following such preparation the fiscal note shall be forwarded to the bill's
21 sponsor, the committee to which the bill was referred, and the office of the President of
22 the Board. If any substantive changes are made to the proposed board bill which would
23 alter the estimated fiscal impact in the fiscal note, then the Office of Legislative Research

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1 shall prepare a new fiscal note. If substantive changes are made to a proposed board bill,
2 following the preparation of a fiscal note, which would alter the estimated fiscal impact
3 in the fiscal note and the substantive changes are made following consideration by the
4 committee, then a new fiscal note shall be prepared prior to consideration by the full
5 Board of Aldermen.

6 (6) The Clerk of the Board of Aldermen shall not assign a board bill number to a
7 proposed board bill requiring a fiscal note pursuant to this section unless a fiscal note is
8 attached to such proposed board bill.

9 **SECTION TWO. Emergency Clause.** This being an Ordinance for the preservation of
10 public peace, health, and safety, it is hereby declared to be an emergency measure within
11 the meaning of Sections 19 and 20 of Article IV of the Charter of the City of St. Louis
12 and therefore shall become effective immediately upon its passage and approval by the
13 Mayor.