

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY STATE FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
2016 REGULAR SESSION**

MEASURE

2016 BR NUMBER **1556**

HOUSE BILL NUMBER **363**

RESOLUTION NUMBER _____

AMENDMENT NUMBER _____

SUBJECT/TITLE **An ACT relating to prosecutors.**

SPONSOR **Representative Yonts**

NOTE SUMMARY

FISCAL ANALYSIS: IMPACT NO IMPACT INDETERMINABLE IMPACT

LEVEL(S) OF IMPACT: STATE LOCAL FEDERAL

BUDGET UNIT(S) IMPACT: _____

FUND(S) IMPACT: GENERAL ROAD FEDERAL RESTRICTED AGENCY _____ OTHER

FISCAL SUMMARY

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES				
EXPENDITURES				\$500,000
NET EFFECT				(\$500,000)

() indicates a decrease/negative

MEASURE'S PURPOSE: The purpose of the measure is to require all Commonwealth's attorneys to be full time.

PROVISIONS/MECHANICS:

Section 1 creates a new section of KRS Chapter 15 to require all Commonwealth's attorneys to be full time. All part time Commonwealth's attorneys shall become full time upon expiration of their current term.

Section 2 amends KRS 15.755 to conform and prohibit all Commonwealth's attorneys from engaging in the private practice of law.

Section 3 amends KRS 15.765 to conform.

Section 4 repeals KRS 15.757.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: The cost to make all Commonwealth's attorneys full time will not

have a fiscal impact until FY 2019 because that is when the new Commonwealth's attorneys will take office. There are currently 52 full time Commonwealth's attorneys and 5 part time Commonwealth's attorneys.

Since the salary for Commonwealth's attorneys is partially impacted by the consumer price index, the exact salary in FY 2019 for each Commonwealth's attorney is indeterminable, but the conversion from part time to full time is estimated to cost at least \$500,000 annually, which includes the additional personnel and operating costs incurred with the conversion.

DATA SOURCE(S): Unified Prosecutorial System

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