



**OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR
Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 415** HLS 21RS 926
 Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Tourism Recovery and Improvement Districts		

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 Provides for the creation of tourism recovery and improvement districts

Purpose of the Bill: This bill provides a process for creating, modifying, renewing, and dissolving tourism recovery and improvement districts (district) by tourism commissions and businesses located within the districts. In addition, the bill authorizes tourist commissions to levy an assessment up to 5% or \$5 on businesses within the districts by resolution for the districts, in accordance with the management plan for the districts. This assessment is to be paid by customers of these businesses.

This bill appears to be applicable to the 44 tourist commissions listed in R.S. 33:4574(B). This bill is not applicable to the Jefferson Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc. or any tourist commission domiciled in Orleans Parish.

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Local Funds	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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