

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



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Subject: Election dates for municipal officers		

ELECTIONS/DATES REF NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1
 Provides for election dates for municipal officers and school board members

Under current law, parish school boards elections are held during regularly scheduled congressional elections and municipal officer elections are held odd-numbered years without the gubernatorial election, but provides an option for the municipality to adopt a plan for holding municipal elections during regularly scheduled congressional elections.

Proposed law provides an option for parish school boards and municipal officers to hold their elections during the fall gubernatorial election, beginning in 2031.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure in the five-year reflected in this fiscal note. There may be a decrease in expenditures from Local Funds if municipalities that currently hold elections during odd-numbered years without the gubernatorial election, choose to hold elections during the gubernatorial election. **Any such decrease is speculative and will occur outside the five-year window of this fiscal note, starting in FY 32.**

The cost of local elections varies from parish to parish, depending on the size of the parish and the number of ballot items. However, expenses for local governing authorities decrease during statewide elections because the Department of State is responsible for a larger portion of the cost. By moving municipal officer elections to the gubernatorial election, a local governing authority may realize some cost savings.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate
 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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