

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 125** SLS 25RS 71

Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> State Police		
<b>Subject:</b> Costs associated with conducting background investigations		<b>Analyst:</b> John McKay

EXPLOSIVES

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Provides relative to explosives. (8/1/25)

Current law provides for the licensure and regulation of explosives. Current law requires that costs incurred by the Department of Public Safety (DPS) for processing State Police and FBI fingerprint cards be borne by the applicant. Proposed legislation requires that costs incurred by the DPS for conducting a background investigation and criminal history records check to be borne by the applicant. This bill defines an "enhanced security zone" as public areas with high annual visitor traffic, large event venues, or a casino, including certain parts of New Orleans. This bill establishes penalties for individuals who manufacture, possess, or control a bomb without proper authorization. Offenders may be fined up to \$10,000, imprisoned at hard labor for up to 20 years, or both. If the violation occurs within an enhanced security zone or within 100 feet of any permitted parade or demonstration, the fine increases to up to \$20,000, with the same maximum prison term.

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

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

This bill may result in an indeterminable increase in SGF expenditures in the Department of Public Safety and Corrections – Corrections Services (DPS&C – CS) if an individual is convicted of manufacturing, possessing, or controlling a bomb without proper authorization. Offenders may be imprisoned at hard labor for up to 20 years. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation to state and local governing authorities is indeterminable, since it is not known how many people will be convicted, nor the length of the sentences assessed as a result of its potential enactment.

For those convicted, sentenced, and then subsequently housed in a state facility, DPS&C-CS will sustain expenditures of \$107.60 per offender per day. For those convicted, sentenced, and then subsequently housed in a local facility, DPS&C-CS will sustain expenditures of \$26.39 per offender per day. DPS&C-CS advises that impacts on offender populations are anticipated to impact the number of offenders held in local facilities, and in managing its offender population, it seeks to fill all beds in state facilities first, then assigns overflow offenders to local facilities.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

This bill may result in an indeterminable increase in local revenues as a result of convictions related to manufacturing, possessing, or controlling a bomb without proper authorization. The exact fiscal impact of this legislation on local revenue is indeterminable, as the fines imposed on convicted individuals may vary and depend on the number of convictions. Offenders may be fined up to \$10,000, or up to \$20,000 if the violation occurs within an enhanced security zone which this bill defines as a public area with high annual visitor traffic, large event venue, or a casino, including parts of New Orleans like the French Quarter Management District, Downtown Development District, and the New Orleans Exhibition Hall Authority Economic Growth and Development District. The potential revenue will accrue to the local governing authority.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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