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INSURANCE DEPARTMENT EG +\$410,830 SG EX See Note Page 1 of 2
 Provides for the appointment of a bail bond producer. (8/1/26)

Proposed law requires that before receiving an appointment, a bail bond producer submit an affidavit, signed under oath by all applicable parties to the Commissioner of Insurance stating that the bail bond producer agrees to discharge all outstanding forfeitures and judgments on bonds previously written. The affidavit shall be in a form prescribed by the Commissioner and shall be submitted by the bail bond producer to the former insurer. If a bail bond producer fails to satisfy or discharge all forfeitures or judgments, a former insurer must submit a notice signed under oath to the Commissioner within 30 days of receiving the affidavit from the bail bond producer. Upon receipt of the notice and supporting documents, the appointing insurer shall immediately cancel the bail bond producer's appointment. The bail bond producer may be reappointed only upon certification by the former insurer that all judgments and bonds have been discharged. The appointing insurer or bail bond producer may appeal to the Commissioner within 10 days of receiving the notice and supporting documents from the former insurer. Proposed law required the Commissioner of insurance to promulgate rules and regulations, including but not limited to rules regarding the procedures for appeals and stays of the provisions of this measure.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$410,830	\$255,809	\$266,041	\$276,683	\$287,750	\$1,497,113
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	\$410,830	\$255,809	\$266,041	\$276,683	\$287,750	\$1,497,113

REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law is anticipated to increase SGR expenditures by \$410,830 in the Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI) in FY 27 to fund the addition of two (2) Insurance Specialist 3 T.O. positions along with associated operating expenses and one-time equipment costs related to receiving and reviewing affidavits, processing notices from insurers, and handling appeals. In addition, implementation of this measure will require modifications to the department's Industry Access (IA) Portal, Regulatory Management System (RMS), and associated workflows to support industry submissions, internal review, communication, and tracking. A 4% annual growth factor is applied to FY 28 and subsequent fiscal years (excluding one-time equipment costs and system modifications).

Personnel Costs (\$197,736 SGR):

LDI reports that salaries and related benefits associated with the two (2) additional Insurance Specialist 3 T.O. positions will total \$197,736, including \$127,248 in salary and \$70,488 in related benefits for FY 27. A 4% percent growth factor is applied to these personnel costs in subsequent fiscal years.

Operating Expenses (\$48,234 SGR):

In addition, LDI anticipates operating expenses of \$48,234 in FY 27, including IT maintenance (\$36,000), office supplies (\$1,288), postage (\$274), telephone/data ports (\$708), printing (\$200), equipment maintenance (\$1,028), security (\$2,190), software licenses (\$2,880) and fees (\$3,666). These operating expenses are also projected to increase by 4% annually beginning in FY 28. LDI reports IT maintenance assumes 25 hours per month at \$120 per hour.

Professional Services (\$157,680 SGR):

Information provided by LDI indicates that modifications to the department's IA Portal/RMS system will be required as a result of this legislation. The estimated cost is based on 1,314 hours of programming at a rate of \$120 per hour to make necessary system modifications to support industry submissions, internal review, communication, and tracking.

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REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
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Equipment Costs (\$7,180):

LDI further estimates the purchase of one-time equipment costs of \$7,180 in FY 27, including desks (\$2,000), chairs (\$1,200), personal computers/printers (\$3,000), and a file cabinet (\$980). These costs are not anticipated to recur in subsequent fiscal years.

Note: The LFO is unable to corroborate the estimated staffing level, operating expenses, and equipment costs projected by LDI. The LFO has requested LDI to provide detailed information on the assumptions and rationale used to estimate the additional T.O. position needed to implement the requirements of this legislation. To the extent the required staffing levels may be lower or higher, corresponding operating costs would shift accordingly. To the extent that a portion or all of the prescribed duties can be absorbed by existing staff and resources, a portion of the projected costs may be mitigated. Should additional information regarding estimated expenditures become available, this fiscal note will be updated.

EXPENDITURES

Position	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031
Insurance Specialist 3 (2 T.O.)	\$197,736	\$205,646	\$213,871	\$222,426	\$231,323
Operating Expenses	\$48,234	\$50,163	\$52,170	\$54,257	\$56,427
Professional Services	\$157,680	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$7,180	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$410,830	\$255,809	\$266,041	\$276,683	\$287,750
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