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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: SB 106 SLS 16RS 370
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Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Short-form birth certificate

VITAL STATISTICS EN +\$301,038 RV See Note Page 1 of 1
Specifies when a short-form birth certificate card may be purchased. (gov sig)

Purpose of Bill: This measure provides that the short-form birth certificate (birth card), issued by the Office of Public Health-Vital Records and various clerks of courts, may only be purchased if a long-form birth certificate is also purchased in the same transaction.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, REVENUES, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total for both categories.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION

The impact on governmental revenues results in a net increase of \$301,038 annually, assuming this act becomes effective July 1, 2016.

This bill provides that the short-form birth certificate (birth card) issued by Louisiana Vital records can only be purchased by an individual who also purchases a long-form birth certificate in the same transaction. In Fiscal year 2015, there were 35,921 birth cards issued statewide. Clerks of Court issued 21,378 of these birth cards during that fiscal year. Assumption is that 35,921 birth cards will be replaced by long-form certificates and there would be no birth cards purchased beyond the long-form birth certificate. The fiscal impact of this bill is estimated to be:

Agency Self Generated: The Office of Vital Records will issue 35,921 more long-form birth certificates. The fee for a long-form birth certificate is \$11 while the fee for a birth card is \$5, resulting in a net increase of \$6 for 35,921 more long form birth certificates or \$215,526 (RS 40:40).

Statutory Dedicated Funds: Local Clerks of Court collect a fee of \$4 (RS 40:39.1(B)) that goes to the Vital Records Conversion Fund for each long form birth certificate issued. If local Clerks of Court issue 21,378 more long-form birth certificates, this will result in an increase of \$85,512 in Statutory Dedicated Funds.

Statutory Dedicated Funds: The Office of Vital Records submits \$4 (RS 46:2403) to the Children's Trust Fund for both birth cards and long-form birth certificates. If the 35,921 birth cards result in long-form birth certificates, this will result in no change in Statutory Dedicated Funds.

Local Funds: If the local Clerks of Court issue long form birth certificates to replace birth cards, this will result in no change in local funds since RS 40:39.1 provides that Clerks collect \$5 per certificate.

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13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}
13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}
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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