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Fiscal Note



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 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
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Subject: Creates the Rural Water Infrastructure Committee	

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 Creates the Rural Water Infrastructure Committee within the governor's office. (gov sig)

Proposed law creates the Rural Water Infrastructure Committee within the office of the governor for the purpose of providing advice and guidance on all matters relative to rural water systems in Louisiana; provides for membership of the committee, comprised of 17 members as specified; provides that members will serve terms concurrent with the governor; provides that the governor's designee to the Delta Regional Authority will serve as chair and develop procedures for committee operations; provides that members shall serve without compensation, but that legislative members shall receive the same per diem and travel allowance for attending meetings as is normally provided for legislative committees; authorizes the governor or chair to request employees of federal, state, or local agencies involved with rural water systems to participate as nonvoting members; authorizes the committee to request administrative and technical support from the governor's office; specifies the functions and duties of the committee; requires the committee to advise and make recommendations to the governor on specific items; and requires an annual report to the governor by March of each year.

EXPENDITURES	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in a nominal increase in SGF expenditures associated with per diem and expense reimbursements for the three legislative members appointed to the Rural Water Infrastructure Committee. **Proposed law** will require the committee, comprised of seventeen members to meet in order to provide advice and guidance to the governor on all matters relative to rural water systems in Louisiana, recognizing the need by the state to develop and implement a comprehensive rural water infrastructure plan to address deteriorating public water supply systems in order to protect the interests, health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Louisiana.

The legislative per diem rate is \$161 and the cost of related benefits (7.65% includes FICA 6.2% and Medicare 1.45%) is approximately \$12.32 for a daily cost of approximately \$173/day. It will cost approximately \$520 per day for 3 legislators to attend meetings plus mileage reimbursement, which is approximately \$0.58 per mile. However, the impact on total expenditures is indeterminable and will depend upon mileage driven by the members, the number of meeting days held, and the actions taken by the committee.

Proposed law requires the governor's office to provide administrative and technical support. The Executive Office advises that it is able to utilize current staff and budgetary resources to provide this support to the committee.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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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