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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **SB 205** SLS 21RS 381  
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
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 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Parks and Recreation Districts		

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 Creates certain parks and recreation districts in East Baton Rouge Parish. (See Act)

**Purpose of Bill:** This measure creates two parks and recreation districts for the cities of Central and Zachary, and transfers certain parks and recreation assets and authority (operational and taxing) in these cities from the Recreation and Park Commission for East Baton Rouge (BREC) to the proposed districts. The bill provides for the boundaries, board composition and compensation, and authority for these proposed districts.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
<b>Annual Total</b>						

  

REVENUES	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

**The impact of this bill on overall local fund expenditures is indeterminable at this time. However, BREC expenditures are expected to decrease, while expenditures for the proposed districts are expected to increase.**

Based on information from BREC, BREC's expenditures are expected to decrease as responsibility for park operations/properties is transferred from BREC to the proposed districts. However, the exact amount of the decrease is indeterminable at this time due to uncertainty regarding the bill's impact on BREC's capital projects and administrative costs. While the total amount of the decrease is currently indeterminable, it appears that the bill may decrease BREC's maintenance and operating/program costs by \$1.15 million starting in 2022 and further decreasing to approximately \$1.25 million by 2026.

The expenditures of the proposed districts will increase as the districts are created and start operating. However, the exact amount of the increase is indeterminable at this time due to a lack of information regarding specific expenditure plans for the districts. While the total amount of the increase is currently indeterminable, expenditures related to board compensation may increase by \$9,000 as the bill provides for a \$75 per diem for the districts' 10 board members for up to 12 meetings per year (current law provides that BREC board members will serve without compensation).

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

**The impact of this bill on overall local fund revenue is indeterminable at this time. However, BREC revenues are expected to decrease, while revenue for the proposed districts is expected to increase.**

Based on information from BREC, BREC's revenue is expected to decrease by approximately \$4.9 million starting in 2022 and further decreasing by approximately \$5.3 million by 2026 as authority to generate revenue (taxes and fees) in these cities/properties is transferred to the proposed districts.

The revenue of the proposed districts will increase as the districts are created and start imposing taxes/fees. However, the exact amount of the increase is indeterminable at this time due to a lack of information regarding specific revenue plans for the districts.

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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