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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 358** HLS 21RS 913

Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Courts		<b>Analyst:</b> Rebecca Robinson
<b>Subject:</b> Pilot Program - 24th Judicial District		

COURTS EN NO IMPACT LF EX See Note  
Provides relative to the Online Judge Pilot Program

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Proposed law authorizes the 24th Judicial District (JDC) to establish an Online Judge Pilot Program in an effort to improve access to justice and create a more efficient and effective justice system. Proposed law provides that the court may order the parties in any civil case to participate in the program, with the option to opt out upon filing a written motion within ten days after service of the order. Proposed law defines undue hardship with regard to participation. The program shall expire on August 1, 2025.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

  

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on state governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The Louisiana Supreme Court reports they are not funding the pilot program.

There will be no impact to the expenditures to the 24th Judicial District. The court plans to utilize existing technological resources for the pilot program and will be able to absorb this activity within current budgetary and personnel resources.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on state 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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