



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE  
Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **SB 445** SLS 24RS 1389  
 Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Local Government	<b>Analyst:</b> Tanesha Morgan
<b>Subject:</b> City Court Jurisdiction and Audit Thresholds	

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 Provides for the jurisdictional limits for city courts and audit of funds received. (8/1/24)

Proposed law adds the City Court of Bastrop to the list of city courts where the civil jurisdiction is concurrent with the district court for cases where the amount in dispute does not exceed \$25,000.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<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>


REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	
<b>Annual Total</b>						

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

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**  
 The measure is anticipated to increase revenue for the City Court of Bastrop. Adding the City Court of Bastrop to the list of city courts with concurrent jurisdiction for civil cases up to \$25,000 expands the court's authority to hear more cases. This change could lead to a higher number of civil filings in the Bastrop City Court. The court currently receives approximately \$200 for each filing. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation is indeterminable, because it is not known how many people will file civil cases up to \$25,000 with the City Court of Bastrop.

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}

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 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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