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Provides for parish overdose fatality review panels. (8/1/24)

Proposed law allows parishes to establish local overdose fatality review panels to (1) promote cooperation and coordination among agencies in the investigation of drug overdose fatalities; (2) develop an understanding of the causes and incidence of drug overdose fatalities in the jurisdiction where the panel operates; (3) plan for and recommend changes within the agencies represented on the panel to prevent drug overdose fatalities; and (4) advise local, regional, and state policymakers about potential changes to law, policy, funding, or practice to prevent drug overdoses. Proposed law provides for the membership of the panel, access to information, and confidentiality of certain information. Proposed law allows any person or entity subject to a records request by a panel to charge a reasonable fee for the service of duplicating requested records. Proposed law requires panels to submit an annual report to the local human services district. Proposed law requires human services districts to compile reports received and submit the compiled reports to the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH). Proposed law requires LDH to create a single report for submission to the governor and legislature.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW					
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					
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

While the proposed law does not specify which agency within the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) will be responsible for compiling and analyzing reports submitted by the human services districts, LDH reports that there will be no fiscal impact to either the Office of Behavioral Health (OBH) or the Office of Public Health (OPH). The Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) also reports it will not incur additional costs to comply with the requirements of the bill.

Some human services districts have reported they may incur travel reimbursement costs to attend meetings of overdose fatality review panels; however, these expenses are not expected to be significant.

There may be costs to local governments to implement overdose fatality review panels to the extent that parish governments elect to establish such panels. These costs are indeterminable and will depend on the number of parishes which elect to establish such panels, the number and type of staff utilized by the panels, and any other operating expenses incurred by the panels.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law allows government agencies to charge a reasonable fee for the reproduction of documents requested by overdose fatality review panels. This may result in an increase in self-generated revenues to state and local agencies; however, any such increase is indeterminable and will depend on the volume of requests made by overdose fatality review panels.

