

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 237** HLS 26RS 157

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Creates the Lupus Commission	

HEALTH SERVICES
Creates the Lupus Commission

OR INCREASE GF EX See Note

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Proposed law establishes the Lupus Commission within the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), office on women’s health and community health. The Commission shall be comprised of certain members, and a number of the members shall be appointed by the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, the president of the Senate, the Ochsner Health System, and the president of Woman’s Hospital of Baton Rouge. Proposed law requires LDH to provide administrative assistance and serve as staff for the commission. The functions of the Lupus Commission include: 1) evaluate functions and activities of existing groups focused on lupus to collaborate with and engage stakeholders, 2) support and contextualize reporting on lupus, 3) serve as an advisory body to the governor and LDH on matters relating to lupus treatment and care, 4) research and review, 5) provide a forum for an annual public hearing, and 6) make recommendations on policy. Proposed law requires the commission to submit an annual written report to the Senate and House committees on health and welfare at least 60 days prior to each regular session.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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Annual Total

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law is anticipated to increase SGF expenditures by an indeterminable amount in the LDH Office of Women’s Health and Community Health. The increase is associated with additional administrative workload required to provide staff support and administrative assistance to the Lupus Commission.

LFO has requested a fiscal note worksheet from LDH. Upon receipt of additional information regarding the projected administrative workload and any associated costs, this fiscal note will be revised accordingly.

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}

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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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