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Fiscal Note On: **HB 581** HLS 26RS 1204

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Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.: **REVISED**

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| Subject: Supplemental Pay for Probation and Parole (Constitutional) | |

SUPPLEMENTAL PAY OR +\$6,264,000 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
(Constitutional Amendment) Provides for supplemental pay for probation and parole officers

Present constitution authorizes state supplemental payments to law enforcement officers and firefighters employed by local governmental units or political subdivisions, provided that law enforcement officers and firefighters are employed full-time. Proposed constitutional amendment additionally authorizes state supplemental payments to probation and parole officers employed by any municipality, parish, fire protection district, or political subdivision, provided those probation and parole officers are employed full-time. Proposed constitutional amendment provides a proposition to be placed on the ballot for the statewide election held on November 3, 2026 for voters to approve. Proposed law is effective July 1, 2027.

| EXPENDITURES | 2026-27 | 2027-28 | 2028-29 | 2029-30 | 2030-31 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| State Gen. Fd. | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$31,320,000 |
| 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 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Annual Total | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$6,264,000 | \$31,320,000 |
| REVENUES | 2026-27 | 2027-28 | 2028-29 | 2029-30 | 2030-31 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
| 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 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Annual Total | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed constitutional amendment will increase SGF expenditures by \$6.2 M in FY 27 in Schedule 20-966 Supplemental Pay as a result of adding probation and parole officers to the list of public employees that receive state supplemental pay within the Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPS &C). Each eligible probation and parole officer would receive \$600 per month or \$7,200 annually (\$600 per month x 12 months). Currently, the number of full-time probation and parole officers employed by DPS&C is 650. The Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ) has 204 filled and 16 vacant probation and parole officers (230 total). Under the proposed law, if all 650 probation and parole officers are eligible to receive supplemental pay, the cost would be \$6,264,000 annually (870 probation and parole officers x \$7,200). The fiscal impact of this measure in FY 27 and subsequent fiscal years depends on the number of eligible probation and parole officers receiving supplemental pay.

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}

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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