

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 804** HLS 26RS 407

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Louisiana Energy Protection Act	

ENERGY OR NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1
Creates the Louisiana Energy Protection Act

Proposed law creates the Louisiana Energy Protection Act and limits causes of action under Louisiana law for claims seeking damages related to climate change or greenhouse gas emissions. Proposed law prohibits claims based on emissions originating outside of Louisiana. For emissions occurring within Louisiana, a plaintiff may not recover damages unless the defendant violated a Louisiana or federal emission law or permit, and the plaintiff proves by clear and convincing evidence that the defendant's emissions caused more than 50% of the alleged damages. Proposed law prohibits recovery for economic losses without physical injury to the person or property and requires prior written approval from the governor, attorney general, and specified legislative committees before the state or a political subdivision may bring such an action.

Effective upon signature of the governor.

EXPENDITURES	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

REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

To the extent that prior written approval is required from the Governor, Attorney General, Louisiana House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment, and Louisiana Senate Committee on Natural Resources before certain actions may be brought, the LFO anticipates that any additional workload associated with reviewing such matters can be absorbed within existing resources.

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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