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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 164** HLS 26RS 634
 Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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| Dept./Agy.: 15th Judicial District Court | | |
| Subject: Commissioner Powers | | Analyst: Taylor Potter |

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 Provides for the powers and duties of the commissioner in the 15th Judicial District Court

Purpose of Bill: The bill clarifies the powers and duties of the 15th Judicial District Court Commissioner in criminal and civil cases, including domestic relations and family law matters. The bill confirms that the Commissioner will not have authority to adjudicate misdemeanors (in agreement with a La. Supreme Court Ruling) and further clarifies the powers granted to the Commissioner (e.g., review and issuance of Temporary Restraining Orders).

| 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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| Annual Total | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

Officials with the 15th Judicial District Court and the Louisiana Supreme Court indicated that this bill would not impact the expenditures of their respective courts and offices. The bill only clarifies existing law and provides further details/examples of of the Commissioner’s powers, all of which can be carried out with no additional expenditures required.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Officials with the 15th Judicial District Court and the Louisiana Supreme Court indicated that this bill would not impact the revenue of their respective courts.

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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