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Fiscal Note On: **SB 71** SLS 051ES 159

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Opp. Chamb. Action:

Sub. Bill For.:

Proposed Amd.:

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COASTAL RESOURCES EN SEE FISC NOTE SD EX See Note

Authorizes development and implementation of a comprehensive coastal protection plan.

Present law provides relative to the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Authority and its powers, duties, and members. Proposed law changes the name to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and provides for its powers, duties, and members. Places the responsibility for direction and development of the State's comprehensive master coastal protection plan in the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority. The authority shall develop, implement, and enforce a comprehensive coastal protection plan. Provides that the primary responsibility for carrying out the elements of the plan relative to coastal wetlands conservation and restoration is placed within the Office of Coastal Restoration and Management within the Department of Natural Resources. Primary responsibility for carrying out the elements of the plan relative to hurricane protection is placed in the Office of Public Works within the Department of Transportation and Development. The Governor's Executive Assistant for Coastal Activities shall use an integrated team effort to jointly coordinate master plan development with federal agencies and political subdivisions. Changes the statutory name of the Wetlands Conservation and Restoration Fund to the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund. Provides that funding is subject to appropriations by the Legislature for the purposes of coastal restoration, conservation, and hurricane protection. Repeals Act 300 of the 2005 Regular Session.

EXPENDITURES	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Agy. Self-Gen.	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Ded./Other	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Local Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Annual Total	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The Department of Natural Resources and Department of Transportation and Development will be able to implement the provisions of this proposed legislation using existing resources. The proposed legislation merely creates the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and charges it with developing a master coastal protection plan including hurricane protection. Specifically, the Department of Natural Resources and Department of Transportation and Development will jointly develop a master plan for the protection of the Louisiana coast. The proposed legislation limits expenditures from the Coastal Protection and Restoration Fund for the purpose of coastal restoration, conservation, and hurricane protection.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. The proposed legislation merely creates the Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority and charges it with developing a master coastal protection plan including hurricane protection. Specifically, the Department of Natural Resources and Department of Transportation and Development will jointly develop a master plan for the protection of the Louisiana coast.

Senate	Dual Referral Rules	House
☐ 13.5.1 >= $500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost		☐ 6.8(F) >= $500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost
☐ 13.5.2 >= $500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change		☐ 6.8(G) >= $500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease

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