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Fiscal Note

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Provides relative to reports concerning compensation of certain local public officers and employees

Purpose of the Bill: Current law requires all parish sheriffs, clerks of court, assessors, coroners, registrars of voters, boards of health, boards of equalization, and all district levee boards, boards of commissioners of drainage districts for the state, parish of Orleans excepted, to furnish annually to the police jury and clerk of court of their respective parishes, a written itemized report showing their expenditures.

This measure will require any elected officials of these agencies to include their individual salary and travel expenditures in the itemized report. In addition, this measure will now make it mandatory for police juries that have web sites to publish each report it receives within ten days of receiving the report.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 5 -YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

Table with 7 columns: REVENUES, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 5 -YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local government expenditures may increase by an indeterminable amount as a result of this measure.

Expenditures to prepare reports with additional content:

The Clerk of Courts Association stated that the effect on expenses could not be determined because it would be different for each parish. For example, some clerks may have to hire additional staff to help prepare the reports, while others may be able to produce reports in-house. Caddo Parish Clerk of Court and Claiborne Parish Clerk of Court informed us that there would not be an increase in expenditures for their parish as a result of this bill. Officials with Calcasieu Parish Sheriff's Office indicated that the bill may require software upgrades and new administrative processes in order to provide the additional information.

Expenditures to publish reports on the web site of the parish governing authority:

The Police Jury Association stated that the cost of adding or updating parish web sites should be minimal. Also, officials with Calcasieu Parish Government and Iberia Parish Government informed us that there would not be an increase in expenditures as a result of this bill.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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