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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 885** HLS 14RS 1393

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Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Sex Offenders		

SEX OFFENSE/REGISTRY RE +\$103,000 SD EX See Note Page 1 of 1
Provides for certain procedures relative to the end of registration and notification requirements of convicted sex offenders and child predators

Proposed law provides for the procedure by which an offender's registration and notification period end date is determined. Proposed law provides for the following: 1) Requires the office of state police and the sheriff where the offender resides to upload the offender's registration history to the Sex Offender and Child Predator Registry and requires the Dept. of Justice to review the offender's history and post an end date to the offender's file in the registry. 2) Requires the DOJ to revise the end date if the offender's history subsequently reflects action or inaction that requires the registration period to begin anew or to be suspended. 3) Authorizes the offender to seek and request a review of the determination made by the DOJ. 4) Provides that the end date calculated by the DOJ shall be set by present law and shall be binding unless overturned by the court pursuant to the proposed law. 5) Authorizes the offender file a petition for injunctive relief or for declaratory judgment of the end date determined by the DOJ. 6) When an offender has complied with all requirements for the amount of time pursuant to present law, the DOJ is to issue a formal letter verifying that the offender has completed his requirements.

EXPENDITURES	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$103,000	\$94,200	\$94,200	\$94,200	\$94,200	\$479,800
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$103,000	\$94,200	\$94,200	\$94,200	\$94,200	\$479,800

REVENUES	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	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 proposed legislation will result in an increase in statutory dedicated expenditures from the Sex Offender Registry Technology Fund. As result of reviewing and determining a sex offender's end date of the period to register and notify, the Attorney General's Office will need an additional attorney.

The salary and related benefits for 1 attorney would be \$78,000 (\$50,000 salary + \$28,000 related benefits). Travel and supplies would cost approximately \$8,700. Operating services including printing, postage, rent, and telephone would cost approximately \$10,500. Acquisitions for a laptop, desktop, and office furniture is approximately \$5,800; however, if surplus furniture is available, the potential amount may decrease.

The total cost for 1 attorney would be \$103,000 (\$78,000 salary and benefits + \$8,700 travel and supplies + \$10,500 operating services + \$5,800 acquisitions). The subsequent fiscal years would not include acquisitions, which is a one-time expense, and would be \$97,200.

NOTE: The \$100,000 in expenses would be covered by the increase in funding to the Attorney General's Office from HB 637. Any additional costs beyond \$100,000 would likely be absorbed within the Attorney General's existing operating budget.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

NOTE: HB 637 amends the distribution of the Sex Offender Registry Technology Fund and allows the Attorney General's Office to receive an additional \$100,000 allocation and a like amount will be reduced from the distribution to the sheriffs of each parish.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 State Rev. Reduc. {H & S} |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | | | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |

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