

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 25** SLS 16RS 186

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Legislature	<b>Analyst:</b> Willie Marie Scott
<b>Subject:</b> Legislative Sessions	

LEGISLATIVE SESSIONS OR -\$1,500,000 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1  
Provides for duration and consideration of certain matters during regular sessions of the Legislature. (2/3 - CA3s(A))

The proposed constitutional amendment removes subject matter limitations on annual regular legislative sessions in even-numbered years and shortens the duration of such sessions to not more than 45 legislative days in a period of 60 calendar days. Present constitution provides that general matter regular sessions are limited to 60 days in a period of 85 calendar days in even-numbered years; and prohibits legislation levying or increasing a tax, and legislation relative to tax exemptions, exclusions, deductions or credits. The proposed constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the voters at the statewide election to be held on 11/8/2016.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	(\$1,500,000)	\$0	(\$1,500,000)	\$0	<b>(\$3,000,000)</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,500,000)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,500,000)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$3,000,000)</b>

  

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Enactment of the proposed legislation would decrease expenditures by approximately \$1.5 M in FY 18 and FY 20 (even-numbered year resulting in 25 less calendar days) and all subsequent even-numbered fiscal years. According to information provided by Senate and House Accounting, the average cost per legislative day is \$25,000 and \$35,000 respectively. The average cost per legislative day includes per diem for members and desk staff, related benefits (1.45% Medicare, 6.2% FICA and 39.7% Retirement), mileage for members; support staff wages, staff overtime and associated related benefits.

The Department of State budgets for up to 10 constitutional amendments for the fall statewide elections as regular practice and any costs associated with this proposed constitutional amendment will be absorbed within the agency's budget.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

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| <u>Senate</u>   | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u>   | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}       | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {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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