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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **SB 106** SLS 16RS 370  
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Elimination of the short-form birth certificate	

VITAL STATISTICS EG +\$285,000 RV See Note Page 1 of 1  
 Provides for the elimination of the short-form birth certification card. (gov sig)

**Purpose of Bill:** This measure will eliminate the short-form birth certificate (birth card) issued by the Office of Public Health-Vital Records and various clerks of courts.

<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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.		\$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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
<b>Annual Total</b>						
<b>REVENUES</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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$209,060	\$209,060	\$209,060	\$209,060	\$209,060	<b>\$1,045,300</b>
Ded./Other	\$78,636	\$78,636	\$78,636	\$78,636	\$78,636	<b>\$393,180</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	(\$3,207)	(\$3,207)	(\$3,207)	(\$3,207)	(\$3,207)	<b>(\$16,035)</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$284,489</b>	<b>\$284,489</b>	<b>\$284,489</b>	<b>\$284,489</b>	<b>\$284,489</b>	<b>\$1,422,445</b>

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

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

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

**The impact on governmental revenues results in a net increase of \$284,489 annually, assuming this act becomes effective July 1, 2016.**

This bill eliminates the short-form birth certificate (birth card) issued by Louisiana Vital records. In Fiscal year 2015, there were 35,921 birth cards issued statewide. Clerks of Court issued 21,378 of these birth cards during that fiscal year. Vital Records estimates that the number of long-form certificates issued in the future would be 97% of 35,921. The fiscal impact of this bill is estimated to be:

**Agency Self Generated:** The Office of Vital Records will issue 34,843 more long-form birth certificates. The fee for a long-form birth certificate is \$11 while the fee for a birth card is \$5, resulting in a net increase of \$6 for 34,843 more long form birth certificates or \$209,060 (LRS 40:40).

**Statutory Dedicated Funds:** Local Clerks of Court collect a fee of \$4 (LRS 40:39.1(B)) that goes to the **Vital Records Conversion Fund** for each long form birth certificate issued. If local Clerks of Court issue 20,736 more long form birth certificates, this will result in an increase of \$82,946 in Statutory Dedicated Funds.

**Statutory Dedicated Funds:** The Office of Vital Records submits \$4 (LRS 46:2403) to the **Children's Trust Fund** for both birth cards and long-form birth certificates. If only 97% of the 35,921 birth cards result in long-form birth certificates, this will result in a decrease of \$4,310 in Statutory Dedicated Funds.

**Local Funds:** If the Clerks of Court issue long form birth certificates to replace 97% of the short form birth certificates, this will result in a decrease in local funds of \$3,207 since per LRS 40:39.1 they collect \$5 per certificate.

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13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

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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