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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB 80** SLS 17RS 313

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Parish Police Departments		
Subject: Civilian Traffic Control Officers and Entities		Analyst: Steven Kraemer

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Authorizes civilian traffic control officer or entity to investigate certain traffic accidents in certain parishes. (8/1/17)

Purpose of Bill: This bill authorizes the superintendent of police in certain parishes to authorize a civilian traffic control officer or entity to investigate certain traffic accidents. The police superintendent is to establish qualifications for these officers/entities, and these officers/entities are to be trained by the police department prior to conducting investigations.

This bill only applies to parishes with a population of 255,000 to 350,000 based on the latest federal decennial census. Based on data from the latest federal decennial census (2010 census), it appears that this bill currently only applies to Orleans Parish.

EXPENDITURES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

Based on information from the City of New Orleans, this bill is not expected to impact the expenditures of the City because:

- 1) The training that the police department will provide to civilian law enforcement officers/entities is expected to be done with existing police department resources.
- 2) While the police department’s workload related to accident investigations may decrease due to outsourcing a part of this function to civilian officers/entities, City expenditures are not expected to decrease as existing police department resources (e.g. police officers) will be used to conduct other police department work.
- 3) The City will not pay civilian law enforcement officers/entities for their work. These officers/entities will be funded by fees that they will charge to private citizens/organizations for insurance supplemental reports for accidents.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Based on information from the City of New Orleans, this bill is not expected to impact the revenues of the City. As stated in the expenditure section, these civilian officers/entities will be funded by fees that they will charge to private citizens/organizations for insurance supplemental reports for accidents. Currently, the City provides citizens/organizations with a copy of the supplemental reports when they pay a fee to the City for the incident reports. Supplemental reports for accidents investigated by the civilian officer/entity will now be available through the civilian officer/entity rather than through the City. However, the City will still charge current fees for the incident reports regardless of whether the supplemental report is included with the report (therefore, there will be no reduction in revenues for Orleans).