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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HR 156** HLS 17RS 2929
 Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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WATER/DRINKING WATER OR SEE FISC NOTE GF EX Page 1 of 1

Requests state-level collaboration to evaluate the issues and conditions of drinking water treatment and distribution in communities throughout Louisiana

Proposed resolution urges and request the LA Department of Health (LDH), Office of Public Health (OPH) lead a collaborative effort that evaluates the conditions of each water systems in the state, report on the effects of deteriorating water systems to the safety and health to their communities, and develop recommendations to the legislature to improve and maintain the quality of drinking water provided by water systems to the House Committee on Health & Welfare no later than 30 days before the 2018 Regular Legislative Session.

EXPENDITURES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed resolution urges and requests the LA Department of Health (LDH), Office of Public Health (OPH) to lead a collaborative effort with various stakeholders to evaluate the issues and conditions of each water system within the state, report on the effects of deteriorating water systems to the safety and health to their communities, and develop recommendations to the Legislature to improve and maintain the quality of drinking water provided by water systems. The resolution does not identify specific responsibilities of OPH in evaluating waters systems to ensure drinking water quality.

Ultimately, the level of state expenditures required under this resolution depends on the responsibilities of OPH and the number of staff required to fulfill those responsibilities, which may be substantial or minimal. There are 1,337 water systems within the state. Based on the number of water systems, state expenditures within OPH are anticipated to increase by an indeterminable amount as a result of increased workload associated with evaluating issues and conditions within each water system are conducive to maintaining quality drinking water, as well as make recommendations to correct failures within the system infrastructure.

Information provided by OPH indicates each water system will be responsible for providing an engineering report that OPH will use to determine the condition of their infrastructure. Therefore, local water systems may incur an indeterminable one-time expenditure as a result of providing engineering reports to LDH.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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