

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB 270** SLS 18RS 199

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Dept./Agy.: Secretary of State

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Expands the powers and duties of the elections compliance unit within the Department of State to inquire and investigate allegations of filing a false public record with an election official. (gov sig)

<u>Present law</u> provides the elections compliance unit with certain powers and duties regarding election irregularities in any municipality or parish of the state. <u>Proposed law</u> expands those powers and duties and provides that the elections compliance unit is required to initiate independent inquiries and conduct independent investigations into allegations of filing a false public record with an election official.

EXPENDITURES	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	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>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There are no anticipated costs to the Secretary of State as a result of the proposed legislation. The department is currently conducting the aforementioned investigations in conjunction with information provided by the clerk of court. Proposed law would require the investigations, and calls for the findings to be turned over to the appropriate prosecutorial agency for further investigation or prosecution.

There are no anticipated costs to the District Attorneys as a result of the proposed legislation. If people are found in violation and prosecuted, it is within the District Attorneys' normal scope of work. There may be an increase in prosecutions throughout the state of Louisiana, however the number of people who may be prosecuted for this offense is indeterminable.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

<u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >=	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}	House 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	Evan	Brasseaux
13.5.2 >=	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase	Evan Brassea Staff Director	