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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 84** HLS 19RS 142  
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 Opp. Chamb. Action: **W/ SEN FLOOR AMD**  
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 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Collection of funds from boat registration fees	

BOATS/SHIPS/VESSELS REF NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1  
 To provide for funds collected from boat registration fees

Present law requires revenue collected from motorboat, sailboat, and houseboat registration fees be paid into the Derelict Houseboat Fund. Monies in the Derelict Houseboat Fund are to be used for awarding grants to parish governments to remove any unattended, derelict, junked, or abandoned houseboat in any canal, coulee, drainage ditch, outfall canal, bayou, bay, lake, or any other waterway, whether navigable or not, or on the banks within the state.

Proposed law requires revenue collected from fees from motorboats and sailboat registrations to be paid into the Conservation Fund. An amount not to exceed 10% of the annual appropriation may be used for the administration and enforcement of the derelict houseboat program. Changes "Derelict Houseboat Fund" to "Derelict Houseboat Fund Account", creating a special statutorily dedicated fund account containing fees and self-generated revenues, and categorizing it as such.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</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>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

  

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

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

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on the revenues of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LWF) as a result of this measure which clarifies Act 628 of 2018. It provides that non-motorized houseboat registration fees will be deposited into the Derelict Houseboat Fund Account and that registration fees for motorboats and sailboats will continue to be deposited into the Conservation Fund.

The measure further allows LWF to retain a maximum of 10% of the deposits into the Derelict Houseboat Fund Account to administer and manage the program. Subject to legislative appropriation, the remaining funds provide grants to parish governments to remove debris related to houseboats. Per the LWF, a total of one houseboat registration fee of \$90 has been processed since the program's implementation in January of 2019 which was deposited into the Conservation Fund, but which will be credited to the Derelict Houseboat Fund Account.

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}

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 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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