

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **SB 270** SLS 20RS 241

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Judiciary		Analyst: Rebecca Robinson
Subject: Compensation for Jurors		

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Provides that jurors be paid an amount equal to the amount that jurors in federal cases receive. (1/1/21)

Proposed legislation revises jury compensation (for both criminal and civil cases) at the same rate as federal cases. Proposes to increase juror compensation from \$25 to \$50 for each day of attendance in court and the mileage rate from 16 cents to 57.5 cents per mile.

Effective January 1, 2021.

EXPENDITURES	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There will be an increase in expenditures of parish judicial districts (JDC) from their parish treasury for each criminal jury. The number of criminal jury trials each year is unknown; therefore, the amount of sum increase is indeterminable.

There is no increase in expenditures of JDCs for civil jury trials. Expenses for civil jury trials are paid for by the party requesting the trial in the form of jury filing fees and jury bonds. The party requesting the civil trial posts a bond of \$5,000 and pays a \$150 jury filing fee. The Clerk of Court holds the fees to pay the jury attendance fees and mileage.

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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