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Proposed Amd.:
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Subject: Creates the Fiscal Year 2021 Balanced Budget Reserve Fund

FUNDS/FUNDING REF SEE FISC NOTE SD EX See Note Page 1 of 1
Provides relative to the creation, use, dedication, and transfer of funds in the state treasury. (gov sig) (Item #16)

Proposed law allocates \$187,000 of the FY 21 State Sales Tax appropriation from the Shreveport Riverfront and Convention Center and Independence Stadium Fund to LSUHSC - Shreveport.

Proposed law amends the State Coronavirus Relief Fund to provide that any monies in the relief fund may be used by the state subject to appropriation for the purposes of supplementing the state's account in the unemployment trust fund in the U.S. Treasury. Proposed law amends the Critical Infrastructure Workers Hazard Pay Rebate Fund to provide that the treasurer shall transfer any unobligated balance in the fund on December 1, 2020, to the State Coronavirus Relief Fund.

Proposed law provides for an effective date contingent upon monies being made available to certain Bar Assistance Relief measures found in HB 85. Proposed law provides that if federal legislation provides additional disaster funds, JLCB is authorized to transfer all or a portion into any of the COVID-19 Disaster Funds created pursuant to present law.

Table with columns: EXPENDITURES, REVENUES, 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law allocates \$187,000 to the Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center - Shreveport out of the existing State Sales Tax Dedications to the Shreveport Riverfront and Convention Center and Independence Stadium Fund (\$1.82 M total in FY 21). This amount shall be distributed in equal quarterly amounts of \$93,500 for the last two quarters of FY 21 after distributions to entities which have pledged or dedicated such monies into bonds have been made each quarter.

Proposed law amends the State Coronavirus Relief Fund to provide that any monies in the relief fund may be used by the state subject to appropriation for the purposes of supplementing the state's account in the unemployment trust fund in the U.S. Treasury. This use will be in addition to the existing purposes of providing monies to local government units, eligible businesses, or the state in accordance with state law and the federal CARES Act. This fund will only receive a deposit of CARES Act monies in the event there is a remaining unobligated balance on December 1, 2020, from monies in the Coronavirus Local Recovery Allocation Fund (grants to local governments) and the Louisiana Main Street Recovery Fund (grants to certain businesses) or as below from the Critical Infrastructure Workers Program.

Proposed law amends the Critical Infrastructure Workers Hazard Pay Rebate Fund to provide that the treasurer shall transfer any unobligated balance in the fund on December 1, 2020, to the State Coronavirus Relief Fund.

To the extent any balances remain in the Coronavirus Local Recovery Allocation Fund, the Louisiana Main Street Recovery Fund, or the Critical Infrastructure Workers Hazard Pay Rebate Fund on December 1, 2020, the treasurer will deposit those balances into the State Coronavirus Relief Fund and the monies will be available for specified purposes subject to legislative authorization, including supplementing the state's account in the unemployment trust fund in the U.S. Treasury. The LFO is unable to determine if any balances will be available in the three funds for this purpose. Public testimony to the legislature by the Commissioner of Administration and the State Treasurer indicate that unobligated balances at the end of the Local Recovery Program and the Main Street Recovery Program are unlikely. Information provided to the LFO from the Department of Revenue indicates that the potential obligations against the \$50 M appropriation for Critical Infrastructure Workers may total as much as \$50.2 M. However, if the approval rate realized for 69,758 applications not yet fully processed mirrors that of the 131,062 rebates issued to date compared to those denied for ineligibility, there may potentially be up to approximately \$2 M remaining in the program at close.

NOTE: Proposed law shall only become effective upon an act that transfers funds to the Bar Assistance Relief Subaccount or any act that appropriates budget authority to the treasurer for the Bar Assistance Relief Program as provided for in HB 85 of this session.

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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