



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE  
Fiscal Note**

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<b>Subject:</b> Repeals certain prostitution related offenses		

CRIME/PROSTITUTION OR DECREASE GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1  
 Repeals certain prostitution-related offenses

Proposes to repeal certain prostitution related offenses: prostitution; purchase of commercial sexual activity; soliciting for prostitutes; inciting prostitution; promoting prostitution; prostitution by massage; massage, sexual conduct prohibited; letting premises for prostitution; enticing persons into prostitution; crime against nature by solicitation; operation of places of prostitution prohibited.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</b>	<b>2023-24</b>	<b>2024-25</b>	<b>2025-26</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	DECREASE	
<b>Annual Total</b>						
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There will be an indeterminable decrease of SGF expenditures by the Department of Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C) with the repeal of prostitution related offenses. The exact fiscal impact of this legislation is indeterminable; however, repealing these laws will result in fewer convictions and fewer offenders housed with DPS&C. A reduction in convictions could save DPS&C \$26.39 per day per offender and \$9,632 annually (\$26.39 per day per offender x 365 days) for those in adult local housing. A reduction in convictions could save DPS&C \$67.36 per day per offender and \$24,586 annually (\$67.36 per day per offender x 365 days) for those in a state facility. For illustrative purposes, DPS&C reports that there are currently 4 offenders in the custody of DPS&C for prostitution related crimes.

Most of the prostitution related crimes listed in the proposed legislation are misdemeanors (upon first conviction) and these offenders are not in the custody of DPS&C but rather in the custody of local law enforcement. Local law enforcement agencies may realize an indeterminable decrease in expenditures associated with prison costs. The cost decrease will depend on the reduction in numbers of persons convicted, minimum sentences, and the cost per day for a local law enforcement agency to incarcerate an offender. The Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) reports there were 461 arrests statewide for prostitution related crimes in 2019.

There will be an indeterminable decrease of statutory dedication expenditures and/or SGF by the Louisiana Board of the Public Defender (LBPD) with the repeal of prostitution related offenses. LBPD reports that violation of these prostitution related offenses appear in their case management system 611 times between 1/1/18 and 12/31/20, for an average of 200 times per year. LBPD anticipates a reduction in the need of their services; however, the impact is too small and too dispersed to meaningfully impact overall agency expenditures.

There will be an indeterminable decrease of local expenditures by District Attorney's offices. There will be fewer number of cases to be prosecuted, but the District Attorney's Association is unable to predict the number of prosecutions in the future.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

Proposed legislation would result in an indeterminable decrease in local fund revenue. Repealing prostitution related offenses will result in fewer convictions and fewer fines and fees assessed by local courts. The reduction in fines and fees will result in reduced revenues to District Attorney's offices and LBPD and other local governmental entities.

Senate  
 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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