

2021 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 667

BY REPRESENTATIVE MAGEE

APPROPRIATIONS/JUDGMENT: Appropriates funds for payment of the judgment against the state in the suit entitled State of Louisiana v Aaron Dutchy Nelson

1 AN ACT

2 To appropriate monies out of the state general fund for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 to be used to  
3 pay the judgment captioned "State of Louisiana versus Aaron Dutchy Nelson"  
4 against the state of Louisiana, through the Department of Children and Family  
5 Services, and in favor of Aaron Dutchy Nelson; to provide for certain requirements  
6 and limitations; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

8 Section 1. The sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred and No/100 (\$2,500) Dollars  
9 is hereby payable out of the State General Fund (Direct) for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for  
10 payment of the judgment captioned "State of Louisiana versus Aaron Dutchy Nelson",  
11 signed on March 4, 2021, against the state of Louisiana, through the Department of Children  
12 and Family Services, bearing Number 16660-IV-D on the docket of the Thirty-Second  
13 Judicial District Court, parish of Terrebonne, state of Louisiana.

14 Section 2. The judgment may only be paid from this appropriation if it is final and  
15 shall be paid as to principal, interest, court costs, and expert witness fees as awarded in the  
16 judgment. If the provisions of the judgment conflict with the provisions of this Act, the  
17 provisions of the judgment shall be controlling. Any other provision of this Act not in  
18 conflict with the provisions of the judgment shall control. Payment shall be made only after  
19 presentation to the state treasurer of documentation required by the state treasurer. Further,  
20 the judgment shall be deemed to have been paid on the effective date of this Act, and interest  
21 shall cease to run as of that date.

1           Section 3. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
2 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
3 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
4 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
5 effective on the day following such approval.

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#### DIGEST

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Appropriates \$2,500 out of the State General Fund (Direct) for FY 2020-2021 for payment of the judgment captioned "State of Louisiana versus Aaron Dutchy Nelson", signed on March 4, 2021, bearing Number 16660-IV-D on the docket of the 32nd JDC, parish of Terrebonne.

Proposed law provides requirements for payment from the state treasury. Provides contingencies in case of conflict between judgment and proposed law. Prohibits accrual of interest on the judgment as of the effective date of proposed law.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.