

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

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Dept./Agy.: Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness

Subject: Louisiana Commission on Security for the Faith Community

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HOMELAND SECURITY EG INCREASE GF EX See Note Establishes the Louisiana Commission on Security for the Faith Community

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<u>Proposed law</u> establishes the Louisiana Commission on Security for the Faith Community (Commission) within the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) to study and make recommendations on the establishment, administration, and funding of a grant program for eligible entities to apply for security grants covering security personnel, security training, facility hardening, and other necessary security measures. <u>Proposed law</u> provides for the composition of the Commission. The members of the Commission shall serve without compensation. Travel expenses, per diem, and other expenses may be paid by the member's employer or appointing authority. <u>Proposed law</u> authorizes and directs GOHSEP to establish a grant program through which eligible non-profit organizations can apply for and receive grants to defray the cost of security enhancements or specific measures. The Commission is directed to issue a report to GOHSEP of its findings and recommendations with respect to the security status and needs of the faith community in Louisiana. The report shall be issued annually and at such other times as deemed necessary by the Commission or GOHSEP. <u>Proposed law</u> creates the Security Grant Program Fund to be used solely for the security grant program. GOHSEP shall administer the fund and adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement the security grant program.

EXPENDITURES	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	SEE BELOW					
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in an SGF expenditure increase to GOHSEP to administer the Security Grant Program Fund. GOHSEP reports that once the Security Grant Program is approved and funded, the agency will need one (1) position to administer the program with Salary (\$40,000) and Related Benefits (\$27,798) as well as funding for Operating Services (\$980), Supplies (\$275), Travel (\$2,500) and Data Equipment (\$408 - recurring annual leas cost) for total expenditures of \$71,961. The out-year estimates are FY 23 - \$73,633, FY 24 - \$75,297, FY 25 - \$77,028, and FY 26 - \$78,827. The out-years include a 4% market rate adjustment. Proposed law may create an indeterminable SGF expenditure increase associated with travel and per diem costs of Commission members and legislative members of the Board. The legislative per diem is \$160 plus mileage reimbursement, which is currently \$0.56 per mile.

There is no fiscal impact to GOHSEP to establish the Commission. The Director of Training of GOHSEP can serve as Chairman and assist the Commission with administrative functions at no additional cost.

<u>Proposed law</u> creates the statutorily dedicated Security Grant Program Fund and directs GOHSEP to establish a grant program through which eligible nonprofit organizations can apply for and receive grants to defray the cost of security enhancements or measures. <u>Proposed law</u> does not identify a recurring source of revenues to be deposited into the fund, specifying that it shall consist of all monies appropriated, donated, or otherwise made available for the purposes of the grant. To this end, <u>proposed law</u> does not create a material expenditure associated with the fund or grants to be made from the fund. The LFO assumes that any monies deposited into the fund will require specific appropriation by the legislature.

Creating a new statutory dedication within the state treasury will result in a marginal workload increase for the Department of Treasury, which can generally be absorbed within existing resources. However, to the extent other legislative instruments create new statutory dedications, there may be additional material costs associated with the aggregate effort to administer these funds. The Treasury performs fund accounting, financial reporting, banking, and custodial functions for 404 special funds. When unable to absorb additional workload with existing resources, the Treasury anticipates that it will be required to add one T.O. position at a total personnel services cost of approximately \$71,000 plus approximately \$2,450 for a one-time purchase of office equipment. These expenditures are assumed to be SGF in this fiscal note.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	House	10 11	\mathbb{R} 1
13.5.1 >=	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}	$6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$	Alan M.	Dodergen
13.5.2 >=	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Alan M. Boxberger Staff Director	