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Subject: Increases the number of A.D.A.s in certain districts	

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS OR +\$1,894,685 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 2
 Provides for new assistant district attorney positions for various judicial districts in the state

Proposed legislation provides for an additional 37 Assistant District Attorneys (A.D.A.s) for various judicial districts throughout Louisiana. The districts receiving additional A.D.A.s are as follows:

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| 1st (Caddo): 8 | 21st (Livingston/St. Helena/Tangipahoa): 1 |
| 5th (Franklin/Richland/W. Carroll): 1 | 24th (Jefferson): 2 |
| 7th (Catahoula): 1 | 29th (St. Charles): 1 |
| 14th (Calcasieu): 1 | 32nd (Terrebonne): 1 |
| 15th (Acadia/Vermillion): 9 | 36th (Beauregard): 1 |
| 16th (St. Martin/Iberia/St. Mary): 2 | 37th (Caldwell): 1 |
| 18th (W. Baton Rouge): 2 | |
| 19th (E. Baton Rouge): 6 | |
- Effective: August 1, 2022

EXPENDITURES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$1,894,685	\$2,052,575	\$2,052,575	\$2,052,575	\$2,052,575	\$10,104,985
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						

REVENUES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There will be an increase in SGF expenditures for the District Attorneys (Budget Unit 20-906) of \$1.9 M in FY 23 and \$2.1 M in FY 24 and future fiscal years. The legislature appropriates funds each year for the salaries for District Attorneys (D.A.) and Assistant District Attorneys (A.D.A.) and the employer contribution for retirement and medicare tax. The payroll expenditures for FY 23 are based upon 27 pay periods for FY 23, less the three pay periods in July 2022, due to the bill's effective date of August 1, 2022. The expenditures for FY 23 are as follows:

For 26 pay periods:

A.D.A. salaries	\$50,000 x 37 =	\$1,850,000
Retirement (Employer Share)	\$1,850,000 x 9.5% =	\$175,750
Medicare Taxes (Employer Share)	\$1,850,000 x 1.45% =	\$26,825
Subtotal		\$2,052,575

For the 27th pay period in FY 23:

A.D.A. salaries	\$1,923.08 x 37 =	\$71,153.96	(bi-weekly pay for addtl A.D.A.s)
Retirement (Employer Share)	\$182.69 x 37 =	\$6,759.53	(bi-weekly retirement rate)
Medicare Taxes (Employer Share)	\$27.88 x 37 =	\$1,031.56	(bi-weekly medicare rate)
Subtotal		\$78,945.05	

Reduction of 3 pay periods in July 2022 **(\$236,835.15)**

Grand Total for FY 23 **\$1,894,684.90**

Note: The total payroll in FY 23 will be slightly higher than calculated due to August 1, 2022 falling in the middle of a pay period. The payroll expenditures will return to \$2,052,575 in FY 24 - FY 27 due to the return of 26 pay periods.

[EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION CONTINUED ON PAGE 2]

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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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There will be an increase in local expenditures for each District Attorney's office for the cost of group medical benefits, continuing education, bar dues, and other miscellaneous costs. The District Attorney's Association estimates an approximate increase of 30% in expenditures for each local District Attorney office. Actual amounts will vary by district depending on benefit level and are estimated to result in total statewide costs of \$555,000 annually. See below.

District	Increased # of A.D.A.s	Total Salary Increase	% for Local Expenditures	Total Local Expenditures
1st	8	\$400,000	30%	\$120,000
5th	1	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000
7th	1	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000
14th	1	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000
15th	9	\$450,000	30%	\$135,000
16th	2	\$100,000	30%	\$30,000
18th	2	\$100,000	30%	\$30,000
19th	6	\$300,000	30%	\$90,000
21st	1	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000
24th	2	\$100,000	30%	\$30,000
29th	1	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000
32nd	1	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000
36th	1	\$50,000	30%	\$15,000
37th	<u>1</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>30%</u>	<u>\$15,000</u>
Total				\$555,000

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}

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