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 Creates the Delta Bike Trail Commission

Purpose of Bill: Creates the Delta Bike Trail Commission as a political subdivision of the state that will oversee the development and upkeep of the Delta Bike Trail. The Delta Bike Trail is a bike and walking trail along and on the Mississippi River in Northeast Louisiana which extends through the parishes of Concordia, Tensas, Madison, and East Carroll. The Commission will consist of seven members, who will serve four year terms without compensation

EXPENDITURES	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local government expenditures may increase as a result of this measure. However, the timing and amount of expenditure increases are indeterminable due to lack of specific plans of the Commission.

This measure allows the Commission to acquire property; enter into contracts; and appoint agents or employees, prescribe their duties, and fix their compensation. Members of the Commission serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties.

Several officials from Concordia Parish, Madison Parish, LDOTD, and the LA Office of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism (LCRT) were contacted regarding the fiscal impact of this bill. All indicated they do not currently have detailed plans related to activities of the Commission, therefore, they could not provide us with the fiscal impact on expenditures as a result of this measure.

For background information, it should be noted that LCRT issued a report to Senate and House Transportation Committees on March 1, 2021 (resulting form HCR 22 of the 2nd Special Session of 2020). The report provided that BREC Parks and Recreation in Baton Rouge estimated "the cost for a concrete, 12-foot wide trail is approximately \$100 per linear foot. There are 5,280 feet in a mile, multiply that times \$100 = \$533,280 per mile."

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Local government revenues may increase as a result of this measure. However, the timing and amount of revenue increases are indeterminable due to lack of specific plans of the Commission.

This measure allows the Commission to impose and revise fees and charges to pay all project, maintenance, operation, debt service, and reserve or replacement costs, and other necessary or usual charges. In addition, the Commission is allowed to receive funding from the LDOTD, LCRT, or any other federal/state funds or grants. The Commission is also authorized to sell or lease property and contract with any person, partnership, association, or corporation desiring the use of any part of the trail or trail area.

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