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 Creates a fund for the purpose of providing disaster relief

Proposed law provides for the creation of the Legislative Disaster Assistance and Relief Fund. Provides that the monies in the fund shall be invested by the state treasurer in the same manner as monies in the state general fund, and interest earned on the investment of these monies shall be credited to the fund following compliance with the requirements of present constitution. Proposed law provides that all unexpended and unencumbered monies in the fund at the end of the fiscal year shall remain in the fund. Proposed law provides that the monies in the fund shall be distributed only after all of the following have occurred in the following order: (1) A state of emergency has been declared. (2) A La resident or business has been adversely affected by a disaster or emergency. (3) A La. resident or business who has been affected pursuant to proposed law has contacted a member of legislature with a request for financial assistance. (4) The legislator who has received the request has communicated that request to the speaker or the president. (5) The speaker or president has approved the request and has requested the amount be disbursed from the fund to the resident making the request.

EXPENDITURES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Ded./Other	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	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>	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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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>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law creates the Legislative Disaster Assistance and Relief Fund in the state treasury to provide assistance to certain businesses or individuals that have been impacted by a declared emergency but does not provide a source of revenue. Proposed law provides that the legislature shall provide by law for a program to administer payments from the fund. To the extent monies are deposited into the fund through appropriation into the fund by the legislature, statutory dedication expenditures out of the fund will increase to make payments to qualifying businesses or individuals.

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 material additional costs associated with the aggregate effort to administer these funds. The Treasury performs fund accounting, financial reporting, banking and custodial functions for 436 special funds. When unable to absorb additional workload with existing resources, the Treasury anticipates it will be required to add one T.O. position at a total personnel services cost of approximately \$73,000, plus approximately \$2,450 for a one-time purchase of office equipment. These expenditures are assumed to be SGF in this fiscal note.

NOTE: For purposes of this fiscal note, it is anticipated that SGF would likely be utilized for the purposes of this fund.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. Proposed law creates the Legislative Disaster Assistance and Relief Fund in the state treasury but does not provide a source of revenue for deposits into the fund.

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	<u>House</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}		<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}		<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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