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Subject: Electronic Claims	Adjuster Databa	se Ai	nalyst:	Patrice	Thon	nas	
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<u>Proposed law</u> requires the LA Department of Insurance (LDI) to create and maintain an electronic registry of all licensed and unlicensed claims adjusters licensed on the department's website. <u>Proposed law</u> requires that the database include a photograph of the adjuster as well as contain certain information on each registered claims adjuster. <u>Proposed law</u> effective January 1, 2023.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$171,492	\$89,595	\$91,404	\$93,250	\$95,133	\$540,874
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	\$171,492	\$89,595	\$91,404	\$93,250	\$95,133	\$540,874
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>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law increases state expenditures in the LA Department of Insurance (LDI) by \$171,492 SGR in FY 23 (\$125,480 one-time and \$46,012 recurring) for developing a claims adjuster database and \$89,595 in FY 24 and subsequent years (adjusted for 2% increases) for maintaining the database by one position. The proposed law requires LDI to create and maintain a database of all claims adjusters licensed in the state and all claims adjusters working in this state following a catastrophe.

Currently, there are approximately 114,000 licensed claims adjusters and 9,000 registered catastrophe adjusters for Hurricane Ida. In FY 23, LDI anticipates this measure will require an additional position (Insurance Specialist 2). The position estimate includes (\$51,348 salary and \$32,273 related benefits annually), operating services (\$3,555), and supplies (\$646), as well as a one-time costs for IT programming and design development (\$122,000), computer equipment (\$2,290), and office furniture (\$1,190). Beginning in FY 24, the department anticipates expenditures associated with salary and related benefits of the Insurance Specialist 2 position of \$85,293 and operating services (i.e. postage, telephone, printing, etc.) of \$4,302. In subsequent fiscal years, this fiscal note assumes a 2% market rate adjustment in salaries for classified position and 2.4% inflation increase in operating services (total expenditures of \$213,302 in FY 23, \$89,595 in FY 24, \$91,404 in FY 25, \$93,250 in FY 26, and \$95,133 in FY 27).

	FY 22-23*	FY 23-24	FY 24-25	FY 25-26	FY 26-27
Salary/Related Benefit	\$41,811	\$85,293	\$86,999	\$88,739	\$90,514
Operating Expenses	\$4,201	\$4,302	\$4,405	\$4,511	\$4,619
Professional Services	\$122,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$ <u>3,480</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Total	\$171,492	\$89,595	\$91,404	\$93,250	\$95,133

\*Since the proposed law is effective January 1, 2023, only 6 months of salary/related benefits expenditures are anticipated in FY 23.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

