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ASSESSORS EG INCREASE LF EX See Note Authorizes assessors in each parish to increase their annual compensation

**Purpose of Bill**: This bill authorizes assessors in each parish to increase their annual compensation by no more than 2% in calendar year 2023 and by no more than 8% per term of office beginning January 1, 2025.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2027-28</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	<u>\$192,000</u>	<u>\$577,000</u>	<u>\$961,000</u>	<u>\$968,000</u>	<u>\$975,000</u>	<u>\$3,673,000</u>	
Annual Total	\$192,000	\$577,000	\$961,000	\$968,000	\$975,000	\$3,673,000	
REVENUES	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	2026-27	<u>2027-28</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>	
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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**

The bill may increase local government expenditures by \$192,000 annually starting in fiscal year 2024 and \$975,000 annually by fiscal year 2028.

According to information obtained from the Louisiana Assessors' Association, the Assessors' total statewide annual compensation for 2023 is \$9,599,000 (\$8,726,000 in total salaries + 10% of salary in expense allowance). Based on this information, the Assessors' total statewide annual compensation could increase to \$9,791,000 for fiscal year 2024 and further increasing annually to \$10,574,000 by fiscal year 2028 if all Assessor Offices utilize the maximum 2% and 8% salary increases. This represents an increase in Assessor expenditures of \$192,000 per year starting in fiscal year 2024 and an increase in expenditures of \$975,000 per year by fiscal year 2028.

As explained by the Assessors' Association, the expenditure increases assume that all Assessors, in all 64 parishes would accept and utilize the maximum 2% and 8% increases. However, Assessor's offices are not required to accept the increases in their annual salary, and some may not accept the increase or will accept a percentage less than the the allowable limits. The numbers above represent the maximum potential impact.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

