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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HCR 47** HLS 23RS 1376

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Suspension of Certain Civil Fees		

COURTS/COURT COSTS
Suspends certain civil filing fee

EG DECREASE LF RV See Note

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Current law provides reporting requirements for actions for offenses and quasi offenses filed in state district court. Current law requires the clerk of court to submit information as required by rule of the Louisiana Supreme Court office of the judicial administrator (Rule Part G, Section 13). Current law requires a processing fee of five dollars for the clerk of court and five dollars for the office of the judicial administrator be taxed as costs of court in each suit on which information on actions for offenses and quasi offenses is required to be submitted by the clerk of court.

Proposed resolution suspends current law on reporting information concerning actions for offenses and quasi offenses to the office of the judicial administrator through March 10, 2024.

EXPENDITURES	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	DECREASE	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	DECREASE	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed resolution will likely result in an overall decrease in SGR in the Louisiana Supreme Court (LASC) and a decrease in local revenue to the Louisiana Clerks of Court. Because the number of civil suits filed in each jurisdiction each year varies, losses in SGR to the LASC and local revenue losses to Clerks of Court generated from repealing reporting requirements imposed by current law is indeterminable.

Louisiana Supreme Court

Proposed resolution will likely result in indeterminable decrease of SGR in the Louisiana Supreme Court (LASC). According to the LASC, it anticipates revenue loss to be sustained from repeal of reporting requirements for actions for offenses and quasi offenses filed in state district court in FY 24 of \$80,000 to \$90,000 while fees are suspended. The estimate provided by the LASC was based on past reporting that it has reviewed on processing fees imposed under current law.

Louisiana Clerks of Court

Proposed resolution will likely result in an indeterminable decrease of local revenue in Louisiana Clerks of Court. According to the Louisiana Clerks of Court Association, in 2022, the amount of local revenue generated from all 64 clerks of court complying with reporting requirements for actions for offenses and quasi offenses filed in state district court was \$123,724.50.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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