



**OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR
Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 250** HLS 23RS 426
 Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ SEN COMM AMD**
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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ASSESSORS RE1 INCREASE LF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
 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 5% in calendar year 2023 and by no more than 5% per year for the term beginning January 1, 2025.

Note: Information from the Louisiana Assessors' Association indicates that the Orleans Parish Assessor may not be eligible for the annual raises provided by the bill for the term beginning January 1, 2025, as the Orleans Parish Assessor's term starts in 2027.

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	\$480,000	\$727,000	\$1,235,000	\$1,767,000	\$2,327,000	\$6,536,000
Annual Total	\$480,000	\$727,000	\$1,235,000	\$1,767,000	\$2,327,000	\$6,536,000

REVENUES	<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>
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The bill may increase local government expenditures by \$480,000 annually starting in fiscal year 2024 and \$2,327,000 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 \$10,079,000 for fiscal year 2024 and further increase annually to \$11,926,000 by fiscal year 2028 if all eligible Assessor Offices utilize the maximum 5% salary increases. This represents an increase in Assessor expenditures of \$480,000 per year starting in fiscal year 2024 and an increase in expenditures of \$2,327,000 per year by fiscal year 2028.

As explained by the Assessors' Association, the expenditure increases assume that all eligible Assessors would accept and utilize the maximum 5% 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 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.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}


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