

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 748** HLS 24RS 784

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Imported Seafood Safety Fees	

SEAFOOD EG INCREASE SD RV See Note  
Provides relative to imported seafood safety fees

Present law requires the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), Office of Public Health (OPH) to charge and collect an imported seafood safety fee of \$100 from each holder of a commercial seafood permit who sells imported seafood. Proposed law states that the fee shall be collected from each holder of a commercial seafood permit who processes or distributes imported seafood. Proposed law provides that the fee shall be equal to one-tenth of a percent of the annual gross revenue of the processor or distributor.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Ded./Other	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>						

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Due to the increase in anticipated revenues into the Imported Seafood Safety Fund resulting from the proposed law, there may be increased expenditures from the Imported Seafood Safety Fund for the purpose of sampling, analysis, testing, and monitoring of raw seafood products of foreign origin that are imported into Louisiana and stored on the premises of any business holding a commercial seafood permit. Any such increase is indeterminable at this time.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) anticipates a general increase in revenues through additional collections into the Imported Seafood Safety Fund as a result of the proposed law. The amount cannot be readily estimated because the formula provided in the bill relies on annual sales figures for many private businesses, which LDH does not currently have access to.

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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