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Fiscal Note On: **SB 503** SLS 24RS 1464
Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.: SB 275

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Subject: Community Air Monitoring Program Reliability Act
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ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL EG INCREASE SG EX See Note
Provides for air monitoring. (gov sig)

Proposed law creates the Louisiana Community Air Monitoring Reliability Act to establish standards for monitoring programs conducted by non-government entities. Additionally, the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) may consider necessary actions consistent with the federal Clean Air Act when a community is found to be in noncompliance with National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). This monitoring is not to be used by the department to bring fines or penalties, or regulatory or judicial enforcement actions against any entity. The proposed law allows DEQ to use the data gathered to take necessary action against any issues that are identified. Necessary actions include but are not limited to: identifying sources of pollution, implementing pollution control measures, and engaging in public outreach and education. All actions taken by DEQ to address noncompliance with NAAQS shall be consistent with the Clean Air Act. DEQ can use the data it collects to identify and analyze the air pollutants to determine whether any safeguards are required to be implemented. Effective upon governor's signature.

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

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Ded./Other	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Federal Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Local Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Annual Total	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in an indeterminable increase of SGR expenditures out of the Environmental Trust Fund (ETF) in the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). DEQ anticipates that they will utilize ETF funds to implement solutions to remediate pollutants should the community air monitoring systems indicate an area does not meet National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS). Additionally, the department could see costs related to identifying the sources of pollution, implementing pollution control measures, and public outreach and education. DEQ is unable to quantify the precise amount of the expenditure increase resulting from the proposed measure. The department reports needing more clarity on their role in the process and the actions that may be necessary to address any issues identified through the new program.

Note: Due to the increase in expenditures out of the ETF without a corresponding increase in revenue generated, in future fiscal years if the ETF balance is depleted then SGF may be required.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. Proposed law does not allow DEQ to levy fines or penalties based on information and data obtained from the community air monitoring program.

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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