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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **SB 68** SLS 24RS 335

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ HSE COMM AMD**

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Appointment of Ad Hoc Judge for Election Challenges		

JUDGES EG1 NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1
Provides for appointment of an ad hoc judge for election contests and challenges. (8/1/24)

Current law provides the procedure for objections to candidacy, election contests, and challenges. Current administrative rules of the Louisiana Supreme Court include rules regarding the appointment of ad hoc judges. Proposed law provides that when an action is brought objecting to the candidacy of a person who qualified as a candidate for a local or municipal office, contesting an election regarding a local or municipal office, contesting a non-statewide proposition election, or contesting the certification of a recall petition of a public officer holding a local or municipal office, the supreme court shall appoint an ad hoc judge from a different judicial district to preside over the matter; provides that the ad hoc judge so appointed shall either be a judge who serves or a retired judge who served in a judicial district that is not adjacent to the judicial district in which the action was instituted.

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.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

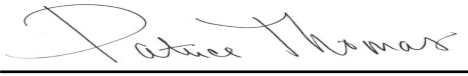
The Louisiana Supreme Court advises that the situation contemplated within the proposed law is rare, and that to the extent an ad hoc judge that is a sitting or retired judge (whose judicial district is noncontiguous and nonadjacent to the parish in which an election challenge or contest is initiated) would be appointed, the expenditures incurred by the Louisiana Supreme Court would not exceed \$500.

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}

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 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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