

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB** 380 HLS 24RS

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Current law provides for the Louisiana Clerks Remote Access Authority (LCRAA), particularly its infrastructure, governance, procedures, technology, and training to support a statewide portal for secure remote access by internet users to certain records maintained by the LCRAA; provides for certain obligations placed on LCRAA to its members. Proposed law obligates the LCRAA to also provide maintenance and training to support a statewide portal with a universal interface for secure remote access to records maintained by LCRAA members; requires every district clerk of court to facilitate electronic filing, recording, and remote access through the LCRAA portal by 1/01/26, and LCRAA to work with district clerks of court to achieve this goal; requires every district court clerk to provide its case management or docket system software and vendor used by each parish court clerk, the number and percentage of remote filings of pleadings converted to electronic images in each parish clerk of court, the capability and extent of the respective case management or docket systems to accept electronic signatures by courts' judges, and costs charged to process electronic filings and access, view, and download images of civil and criminal pleadings, electronic images or paper copies of documents in the land title database, and electronic recording of documents effecting land titles; requires those who submit filings to ensure private information is not included in filings; requires that on and after 1/01/26, all pleadings, documents, filings, and exhibits by an attorney be transmitted electronically in accordance with a system established by a clerk of court or the LCRAA.

RE1 NO IMPACT See Note

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

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

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

The <u>proposed law</u> may result in an increased workload within the district clerks of court, as each will be required to provide information, including its case management or docket system software and software vendor used by each parish court clerk, the number and percentage of remote electronic and physical filings of pleadings converted to electronic image in each parish clerk of court, the capability and extent of the respective case management or docket systems to accept electronic signatures by courts' judges, costs charged by each clerk to process electronic filings and access, view, and download images of civil and criminal pleadings, electronic images or paper copies of documents in the land title database, electronic recording of documents affecting land titles, and establish a system whereby attorneys transmit pleadings and other filings to the clerk of court or LCRAA by 1/01/26. To the extent the <u>proposed law</u> will result in an increased workload in the district clerks of court or LCRAA, the LFO presumes that the clerks of court can absorb this anticipated workload using existing staff and resources.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	<u>House</u>	
13.5.1 >=	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}	$6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$	atues Momore
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}	Patrice Thomas Deputy Fiscal Officer