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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 116** HLS 25RS 416

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Veterans Affairs		
Subject: Louisiana Military Family Assistance Fund		Analyst: Tanesha Morgan

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Provides relative to the Louisiana Military Family Assistance Fund

Proposed law expands how the Louisiana Military Family Assistance Fund can be used. Present law currently allows the fund to pay for family needs of military personnel, program administration costs, transportation expenses, veteran outreach, and educational benefits. Proposed law adds two new uses for the money: paying for burial costs of indigent veterans and educational benefits for certain children, spouses, and surviving spouses of veterans.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						

REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law expands allowable uses of the Louisiana Military Family Assistance Fund to include paying for burial costs of indigent veterans and educational benefits for certain children, spouses, and surviving spouses of veterans. Broadening the allowable uses of the existing monies may lead to those funds being depleted more quickly.

Note: Deposits into the Louisiana Military Family Assistance Fund are from public and private donations, gifts, grants, and appropriations, including revenue from the "Support Our Troops" specialty license plates. Louisiana taxpayers can contribute via a checkoff option on state income tax returns. Additionally, driver's license applicants of any class can choose to donate \$1 when obtaining or renewing their license. As of 2/05/25, the balance of the fund is \$873,409.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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Dual Referral Rules

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- ☐ 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
- ☐ 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}
- ☐ 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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