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Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT EG +\$24

Provides relative to regulation by local governing authorities of ambulance services

<u>Present law</u> authorizes local governing authorities to regulate ambulance services within their jurisdictions, and regulate rates charged for ambulance services.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires that each municipality or other local governing authority that has established rates for ground ambulance services provided in its geographic service area to submit the rates to the Louisiana Department of Insurance (LDI). Rates are to be certified accurate by the local governing authority or the ambulance service provider. The local governing authority or ambulance service provider shall notify LDI of any changes to the established rates. LDI shall establish and maintain a publicly accessible database for the rates on its website.

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.	\$24,310	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,310
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	\$24,310	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$24,310
REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

<u>Proposed law</u> is anticipated to result in a one-time IT cost of \$24,310 to set up a database for local ambulance rates on the LDI website in FY 26. <u>Proposed law</u> requires LDI to create and maintain a publicly accessible database on its website for local governing authorities or ambulance service providers to publish, certify, and update established rates.

LDI reports the IT costs to develop the online portal will be performed by an applications development contractor through a professional services contract (221 hours \times \$110 blended average rate = \$24,310). LDI reports that the projected costs associated with the proposed law will be performed using existing Self-Generated Revenues appropriated within the LDI budget.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {5	House $6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$	Tatues Mamor
13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}	$\boxed{ 6.8(G) >= $500,000 \text{ Tax or Fee Increase} }$ or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Patrice Thomas Deputy Fiscal Officer