



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 564** HLS 25RS 753

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Conservation Incentive Program		Analyst: Richie Anderson

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Establishes the Conservation Incentive Program

Proposed law establishes a special account known as the Conservation Incentive Program within the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) for the purpose of assisting private landowners in enhancing wildlife habitats and managing native species on their property and establishing the criteria to receive financial assistance. Proposed law provides for which projects are eligible to be funded under the program and provides that LDWF shall promulgate rules and regulations to implement the program.

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.	SEE BELOW	\$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
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an increase in expenditures out of the statutorily dedicated Conservation Fund, the Conservation Incentive Program account to the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF). Proposed law creates the Conservation Incentive Program, establishes within the Conservation Fund the Conservation Incentive Program account and directs LDWF to establish an application process to determine project eligibility. Proposed law does not identify a recurring source of revenue to be deposited into the fund, specifying it shall consist of all monies appropriated, granted, donated, or gifted for the purposes of the program. To this end, proposed law does not create a material expenditure associated with the fund. The LFO assumes that any monies deposited into the fund will require specific appropriation by the legislature.

Treasury requires certain resources to create and administer a statutory dedication, as in this measure. Should aggregate session action result in the creation of funds beyond that which can be absorbed within existing resources, additional funding may be required, which is assumed to be SGR in this fiscal note.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure. Proposed law creates the Conservation Incentive Program account but does not provide for a recurring source of revenues. Monies deposited into the fund will be contingent upon grants, donations, or appropriations into the fund by the legislature.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

- ☐ 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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