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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 367** HLS 25RS 948

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Judiciary/Secretary of State		<b>Analyst:</b> Daniel Druilhet
<b>Subject:</b> Election Sections for Judgeship - First Circuit Court of Appeal		

COURTS OR +\$267,092 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1  
Provides relative to the election sections for judgeship of the second district of the First Circuit Court of Appeal

Current law provides for the composition of the First Circuit Court of Appeal; provides for parishes that compose the first district of the First Circuit Court of Appeal and that East Baton Rouge Parish composes the second district of the First Circuit Court of Appeal; provides that the First Circuit Court of Appeal shall be composed of 12 judges (with four judges elected from the second district of the First Circuit Court of Appeal by the qualified electors thereof); provides that the second district is divided into two subdistricts and that Subdistrict One elects judges for Divisions A, B, and C and that Subdistrict Two elects a judge for Division D. Proposed law divides the second district into two elections sections; provides that two judges will be elected from election section one for Divisions A and B, and two judges will be elected from election section two for Divisions C and D; provides that each judge of the second district in office on the effective date of the proposed law will be the judge for the election section, subdistrict having the same designation as the election section, subdistrict from which the justice was elected and may complete the term for which he was elected, and that the successor to the office of a judge of the second district will be elected from the election section assigned to that office as provided by proposed law; provides rules governing precincts references in the district descriptions identified as Voting Districts in the 2020 Census Redistricting TIGER/Line Shapefiles.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	<b>\$267,092</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$267,092</b>
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$267,092</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$267,092</b>

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

Proposed law will result in an increase of \$267,092 in SGF expenditures in FY 26 within the Secretary of State for costs to print and mail notification cards to registered voters in East Baton Rouge Parish to inform them of their assigned election section as it relates to the second district of the First Circuit Court of Appeal. There are currently 269,790 registered voters in East Baton Rouge Parish, and the cost to print and mail notification cards is \$0.99 each. Considering the price per notification card relative to the number of registered voters impacted in East Baton Rouge Parish, the expenditures incurred by the Secretary of State are estimated to be \$267,092.

Population of Registered Voters	269,790
Price Per Notification Card	x \$0.99
<b>FY 26 Estimated Cost</b>	<b>\$267,092</b>

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

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

House  
 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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