

Dept./Agy.:Insurance/Health

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Subject: Doula Registry Board

OR +\$2,495 FF EX See Note

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INSURANCE/HEALTH Modifies the Louisiana Doula Registry Board within the Louisiana Department of Health and provides for respective regulatory authority

Present law creates the Louisiana Doula Registry Board within the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) for the purpose of reviewing and approving doula registration for doulas seeking health insurance reimbursement. Present law provides for duties of the board.

Proposed law modifies present law by granting the board with full authority to oversee and manage the entire doula registration process; establish and enforce administrative guidelines for registration; & policy development.

Proposed law modifies the board's makeup to include nine (9) members, seven (7) members who serve as doulas for births in this state from different geographic regions, two (2) members shall represent an organization providing doula services. One woman has given birth under doula care, and the Quality Initiatives Manager of the LDH Bureau of Family Health.

Proposed law provides that LDH's role is strictly administrative support and does not supersede the authority of the Doula Registry Board. Provides for travel reimbursements to Doula Registry Board members.

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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$12,475
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$2,495	\$12,475
REVENUES	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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law is anticipated to increase Federal expenditures by \$2,495 annually in the LDH Office of Public Health to reimburse Doula Registry Board members for travel expenses in accordance with regulations of the Division of Administration (DOA), PPM 49 - Travel Guide . Proposed law adds the requirement to reimburse board members for travel. The current mileage reimbursement rate is \$0.70 per mile for each business mile. Projected cost is based on nine (9) potential Doula Registry Board Members seeking reimbursement from LDH up to 99 miles for each quarterly meeting.

Basis for Expenditure Projection:

- 9 Potential Doula Registry Board Members;
- x \$0.70 DOA Mileage Reimbursement Rate;
- x 99 miles (maximum allowed) = \$624.70 per Quarter;
- x 4 Quarters = \$2,494.80

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

<u>Senate</u>	Dual Referral Rules			
13.5.1 >=	 \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}			
1352 > =	\$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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