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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB 242** SLS 25RS 416

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> May 5, 2025	12:30 PM	<b>Author:</b> OWEN, ROBERT
<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Public Service Commission		
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Provides for the authority of the Public Service Commission. (gov sig)

Proposed law requires that the New Orleans water and sewer rates, audits, record access, subpoenas, rules, and customer appeals be placed in the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission (PSC). Current law grants jurisdiction to the New Orleans City Council.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</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	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	
<b>Annual Total</b>						
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Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	
<b>Annual Total</b>						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on state governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law requires that the New Orleans water and sewer rates, audits, record access, subpoenas, rules, and customer appeals be placed in the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission (PSC). PSC reports that the oversight of the New Orleans Sewage and Water Board (NOSWB) can be implemented using existing staff and resources.

The NOSWB will fall under the jurisdiction of PSC. The board will be subject to a fee by PSC for the inspection, control, and supervision of the business operations. This increase in expenditures to NOSWB is indeterminable as PSC fees are determined based on receipts of the business.

Note: The New Orleans City Council may have a decrease in expenditures from the proposed law as they will no longer be required to oversee the New Orleans Sewage and Water Board. The LFO is awaiting responses from the New Orleans City Council and NOSWB to corroborate the information contained in this fiscal note. Should that information materially change the analysis, this fiscal note will be updated to reflect the new information.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in an indeterminable increase in Self-Generated revenues for the Public Service Commission (PSC). Proposed law would place the New Orleans Water and Sewage Board (NOSWB) under the authority of PSC. Current law requires each utility business within the jurisdiction of PSC to pay a fee for inspection, control, and supervision of the business service. This fee is calculated based on the gross receipts of the business within PSC’s jurisdiction, so PSC is unable to quantify the increase in revenue that would result from the proposed law.

Proposed law may result in a decrease in revenue for the New Orleans City Council. If the NOSWB currently pays the council a fee to provide regulation for the board, which under proposed law would not be collected, a corresponding decrease can be anticipated.

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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