



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 307** HLS 25RS 697
Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**
Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Statewide for Public Assistance		
Subject: Verification of Citizenship for Public Benefits		Analyst: Anthony Shamis

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Requires individuals requesting public assistance who are not United States citizens be reported to United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Proposed law requires that a state agency or political subdivision shall verify that each applicant that applies for federal, state, or local public benefits is a citizen of the United States. The state or political subdivision shall make every reasonable effort to verify an applicant’s citizenship or immigration status. Upon failure to verify citizenship or determination that the applicant is not a citizen of the United States, the state agency or political subdivision shall: (1) Refer the applicant’s information to the US Immigration and Customs Enforcement; and (2) terminate any recurring federal, state, or local public benefits.

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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed legislation is anticipated to increase Federal expenditures by \$130,000 in the Division of Administration associated with the Louisiana Office of Community Development-Disaster Recovery (LOCD-DR) incurring personnel costs associated with verification of citizenship status and ICE reporting requirements with disaster assistance programs.

An existing full-time LOCD-DR specialist position will be tasked with creating policies and procedures, ensuring implementation, and overseeing processes for compliance and reporting (estimated at 25% of workload). The estimate is based on a salary of \$60,000, plus related benefits. The total cost is estimated to be \$20,000 annually. DOA also anticipates an additional \$110,000 per year for IT related tracking and storage (\$10,000), and increased time that the state’s contracted program manager (\$100,000 to Hunt, Guillot, and Associates) is projected to spend on verifying citizenship/immigration status, increasing administrative costs.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	House	
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<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}		<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Patrice Thomas Deputy Fiscal Officer