

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 208** HLS 26RS 571

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> March 4, 2026	6:20 PM	<b>Author:</b> CARTER, ROBBY
<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Secretary of State		<b>Analyst:</b> Kimberly Fruge
<b>Subject:</b> Local Option to Establish Term Limits in St. Helena Parish		

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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Provides for a local option election to establish term limits for members of the governing authority of St. Helena Parish

Proposed law provides for a proposition to appear on the November 3, 2026 election ballot in St. Helena Parish to determine whether the members of the governing authority of the parish shall have term limits; if voters approve the proposition, then members of the governing authority will be limited to three consecutive terms, for terms beginning on or after January 10, 2028; provides that the Secretary of State shall prepare the ballot for the election and the costs of the election shall be borne by the state.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

  

REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	<b>SEE BELOW</b>	\$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>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law requires the costs of placing a term limit proposition on the St. Helena Parish ballot for the November 3, 2026, election be borne by the state. Given that this election is scheduled as a statewide election, the cost of adding the proposition to the ballot is minimal and absorbed within the operating budget of the department.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

For statewide elections, the costs of propositions are shared between the state and the local governing authority, with the state paying the majority of the costs and invoicing the local governing authority for the prorated portion. Proposed law requires the costs of placing a term limit proposition on the St. Helena Parish ballot for the November 3, 2026, election to be borne by the state. The department estimates that if it were to share the cost with St. Helena Parish, the parish would have had to reimburse the state \$5,400, which would have been classified as SGR for the department.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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