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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 667** HLS 26RS 276

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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| Dept./Agy.: Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port Commission | Analyst: Jamie Mergist |
| Subject: Commission Membership and Elections | |

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Changes the selection process for members of the Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port Commission from appointed to elected

Purpose of Bill: This bill changes the Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port Commission from an appointed body to an elected body. It requires all nine commissioners to be elected parish-wide during the gubernatorial primary elections, beginning in 2027, and requires special elections to be held to fill board vacancies. The bill also sets four-year terms and establishes a three-term limit. This Act shall become effective on August 1, 2026.

| EXPENDITURES | 2026-27 | 2027-28 | 2028-29 | 2029-30 | 2030-31 | 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 | \$27,700 | SEE BELOW | SEE BELOW | SEE BELOW | \$27,700 |
| Annual Total | \$0 | \$27,700 | | | | \$27,700 |

| REVENUES | 2026-27 | 2027-28 | 2028-29 | 2029-30 | 2030-31 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
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| 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

This bill may increase local fund expenditures of the Caddo-Bossier Parishes Port Commission (Port) by approximately \$27,700 in FY 2028, and by approximately \$27,700 to \$320,100 per election for any special elections needed to fill vacancies.

Based on information provided by the Louisiana Secretary of State, adding commissioners to the 2027 gubernatorial primary ballot may increase Port expenditures by approximately \$27,700 in FY 2028 (\$11,500 for Bossier Parish and \$16,200 for Caddo Parish). Furthermore, filling a commissioner vacancy via special election may increase future Port expenditures by approximately \$27,700 to \$320,100 per election. This cost will vary depending on whether the special election coincides with a regularly scheduled election date or is held as a separate election. Cost will also be impacted by the number of items on the ballot for that election.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 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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