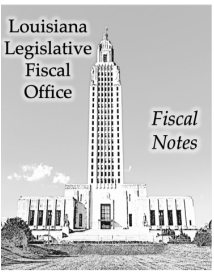


LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 586** HLS 26RS 1240

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Crime- Minor Children and Readily Dischargeable Firearms		

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Creates the crime of allowing a minor child to access a readily dischargeable firearm

Proposed law creates the crime of allowing a minor child to access a readily dischargeable firearm; provides that no person shall fail to secure or leave a readily dischargeable firearm in a place where the person knew or reasonable should have known that a minor child could gain access to the readily dischargeable firearm and, as a result, a minor child obtains possession of the readily dischargeable firearm and discharges the firearm and causes death or bodily injury to himself or another person or exhibits the firearm in a threatening, careless, or angry manner in a public building, public place, or school; provides that those convicted shall be imprisoned for not more than six months, fined no more than \$1,000, or both; provides that it shall not apply to circumstances when a minor child (1) unlawfully enters a dwelling or vehicle and takes or misappropriates the firearm, (2) obtains access to and uses the firearm for the purpose of hunting or sporting activities, or (3) accesses a firearm to engage in the lawful defense of a person or property, or (4) when a person is carrying a firearm on his person; provides that no peace officer no any other person shall arrest a person for a violation of the proposed law before the seventh day following the date when the offense is alleged to have been committed if the offender is a member of the family of the minor child who discharged the firearm or the minor child has caused death or serious injury to himself through discharge of the firearm.

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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	

Annual Total

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

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in Local Funds expenditures for local governing authorities if a person is convicted of allowing a minor child to access a readily dischargeable firearm. Proposed law creates a misdemeanor criminal offense. The exact fiscal impact of this legislation to local governing authorities is indeterminable, since it is not known how many people will be convicted and incarcerated in local facilities, nor the length of the sentences assessed with those convictions as a result of its potential enactment. The maximum imprisonment term at the local level is no more than six months.

There is no anticipated direct material effect on state governmental expenditures as a result of this measure because this legislation creates a misdemeanor offense; therefore, these offenders will not be sentenced to the Department of Public Safety & Corrections - Corrections Services (DPS&C-CS).

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in an indeterminable increase in local revenues as a result of convictions for allowing a minor child to access a readily dischargeable firearm. The exact fiscal impact of the passage of this legislation on local revenue is indeterminable because the fines that would be imposed on those convicted (no more than \$1,000) are optional, and the amount of the fines, if imposed, may vary. The potential revenue will accrue to the local governing authority.

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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