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Authorizes the 11th JDC to provide for a reentry division of court.

Purpose of Bill: This measure allows the 11th JDC to assign certain divisions of the court as a reentry division of court in accordance with R.S. 13:5401. The reentry division of court shall establish a workforce development sentencing program, which shall establish guidelines for the issuance of sentences providing inmate rehabilitation and workforce development.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

Table with 7 columns: REVENUES, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

State general fund expenditures may decrease as a result of this measure.

This decrease may occur because eligible participants may serve a shorter sentence as part of the workforce development program through the reentry division of the 11th JDC. After successful completion of the program, the offender may be released from a state facility and placed on parole supervision by the court.

There is an indeterminable fiscal impact on the 11th JDC to set up the reentry division. However, once the offender is released into probation supervision, local funding may be used to provide employment assistance, substance abuse treatment, housing, family programming, mentoring, victims support, and other services that can help reduce recidivism.

According to the Louisiana Workforce Commission, they will experience no increase in expenditures as a result of this measure as the programs required are currently in place and have the capacity to provide these services.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Self-generated and federal fund revenues may increase as a result of this measure.

The proposed legislation may result in an indeterminable increase in self-generated revenues as a result of offenders being released to parole supervision. For each offender that is released to parole supervision, the Department of Corrections can collect a parole supervision fee.

Beginning in fiscal year 2015, there may be an increase in federal fund revenues as offenders are released to parole supervision and federal funds are obtained to assist in funding these reentry programs.

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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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