

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB 218** SLS 13RS 469

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Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Department of Transportation and Development

Subject: Prohibits collection of fines for failure to pay CCC Tolls

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Prohibits DOTD from collecting fines from persons not paying tolls on the Crescent City Connection. (gov sig)

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits DOTD from enforcing <u>present law</u> (vacated by Judge William Morvant of the 19th JDC) to collect a toll, charge, administrative fee, or late charge required from any person for failure to pay a toll to cross the CCC from January 1, 2013, through May 4, 2013.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	(\$434,845)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$434,845)
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	(\$434,845)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$434,845)

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. On 3/5/2013, Judge William Morvant of the 19th Judicial District Court nullified the November 6th election that extended toll collections on the Crescent City Connection Bridge for a 20 year period beginning on January 1, 2013. The judge ordered that a new election shall take place on 5/4/2013. DOTD ceased collecting tolls at 6pm on the evening of the judgment. Based on violations issued between January 1, 2013, and March 4, 2013, the total amount due was \$482,869.75. To date, \$48,025.25 of that total has been remitted to DOTD. Proposed law will cause the remaining balance of \$434,844.50 to be null and void. Proposed law is silent with regard to a requirement to reimburse or refund payments already received.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

<u>Proposed law</u> prohibits DOTD from collecting outstanding tolls, charges, administrative fees and late charges associated with toll collections between January 1, 2013 and May 4, 2013. Based on violations issued between January 1, 2013, and March 4, 2013, the total amount due was \$482,869.75. To date, \$48,025.25 of that total has been remitted to DOTD. <u>Proposed law</u> will cause the remaining balance of \$434,844.50 to be null and void. Toll violations would have been deposited into the now-nullified Statutory Dedication - Crescent City Connection Toll Fund.

The total toll collections from 1/1/13 to 3/6/13, that were deposited into the Crescent City Connection Toll fund was \$3,364,740.

<u>Senate</u> ☐ 13.5.1 >= \$100	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> 0.000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}	House $6.8(F) >= $500,000 \text{ Annual Fiscal Cost } \{S\}$	Evan	Brasseaux
13.5.2 >= \$500		$\Box 6.8(G) >= $500,000 \text{ Tax or Fee Increase}$ or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Evan Brassea Staff Director	