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Fiscal Note On: **SB 188** SLS 13RS 183
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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 Provides for salaries of judges as recommended by the Judicial Compensation Commission. (gov sig)

Proposed bill provides that the actual salary of the judges of the supreme court, courts of appeal, and district courts shall be increased as follows: supreme court - 5.5% increase, courts of appeal - 3.7% increase, district courts - 4% increase, subject to annual appropriation. Proposed bill provides for the actual salary of the judges of the supreme court, courts of appeal, and districts courts shall be increased by 2.1% on July 1, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017. Proposed bill provides that the actual salary of judges of city courts and parish courts shall be increased by 2.1% on July 1, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017. Effective upon governor's signature.

EXPENDITURES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$2,469,573	\$1,353,453	\$1,381,876	\$1,410,895	\$1,440,523	\$8,056,320
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed bill will result in an increase in state general fund expenditures as a result of increasing judicial compensation at the district, appellate, supreme court and city/parish levels in the amount of approximately \$2.5 million in FY 14 and approximately \$1.4 million in subsequent fiscal years. The increase includes salary, medicare (1.45%) and retirement costs (36.3%) as a result of the increased salaries.

There are a total of 372 judges (7 Supreme Court, 53 Appellate judges, 218 District judges, 94 City/Parish judges) in the state that would be impacted by this bill. The total salary cost for the 372 judges in FY 13 is \$44,994,972. The chart below shows the FY 14 increase as a result of the salary increases of 5.5% for Supreme Court, 3.7% for Appellate Courts, and 4% for District & City/Parish Courts.

Court	Current Salary	Salary Increase	Medicare	Retirement	Total	Increase
Supreme Court	\$1,062,882 x 5.5%	\$58,459	\$848	\$21,220	\$1,143,409	\$80,527
Appeals Court	\$7,648,906 x 3.7%	\$283,010	\$4,104	\$102,732	\$8,038,749	\$389,843
District Court	\$30,028,192 x 4%	\$1,201,128	\$17,416	\$436,009	\$31,682,745	\$1,654,553
City/Parish	\$6,254,992 x 4%	\$250,200	\$3,628	\$90,822	\$6,599,642	\$344,650
TOTAL	\$44,994,972	\$1,792,797	\$25,996	\$650,783	\$47,464,545	

Below is a chart that illustrates subsequent fiscal year impact of increasing salaries by 2.1% for FY 15 to FY 18.

	Total Salary	Salary Increase	Medicare	Retirement	Total	Increase
FY 15	\$46,787,769 x 2.1%	\$982,543	\$14,247	\$356,663	\$48,141,222	\$1,353,453
FY 16	\$47,770,312 x 2.1%	\$1,003,177	\$14,546	\$364,153	\$49,152,188	\$1,381,876
FY 17	\$48,773,489 x 2.1%	\$1,024,243	\$14,852	\$371,800	\$50,184,384	\$1,410,895
FY 18	\$49,797,732 x 2.1%	\$1,045,752	\$15,163	\$379,608	\$51,238,255	\$1,440,523

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u>	<u>House</u>
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<input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}	<input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	

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