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**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 155** SLS 13RS 409  
 Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Filing Fees	

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 Increases certain filing fees and costs levied by Louisiana Supreme Court. (gov sig) (2/3 - CA7s2.1)

Proposed legislation provides that in all civil cases and in all proceedings connected with civil cases the filing fee shall increase from \$150 per case to \$300 per case. Proposed legislation also provides that if other chargeable fees are established by court rule, the clerk of the supreme court shall be entitled to charge such fee amounts as the court may determine and adopt by rule. Effective upon governor's signature.

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

  

<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>2013-14</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$135,000	\$135,000	<b>\$675,000</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$135,000</b>	<b>\$135,000</b>	<b>\$135,000</b>	<b>\$135,000</b>	<b>\$135,000</b>	<b>\$675,000</b>

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

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

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

This bill is anticipated to result in increased fee collections to the LA Supreme Court in the amount of \$135,000. The anticipated increase is attributed to increasing the civil case filing fee from \$150 to \$300, which the LA Supreme Court anticipates generating approximately \$115,000 based upon last year's filings. According to the agency, the filing fee for civil cases was last increased in 1986.

In addition, this bill will allow the LA Supreme Court to increase other chargeable fees. Although the bill does not specifically list the other fees that would be changed, based upon discussions with the LA Supreme Court the fees the Court is planning to change and/or create as a result of this language are as follows: amicus filing fee - increasing the fee \$100 (from \$100 to \$200); rehearing & reconsideration applications - new fee in the amount of \$125/application; motions & rejected application re-submittals - new fee in the amount of \$50/re-submittal. Based upon last year's case filing data, the LA Supreme Court is anticipating generating a total of approximately \$20,000 due to these various new fees and fee changes.

To the extent any current fee not mentioned above is increased or new fees are created in the future pursuant to this statutory change, there will be an indeterminable increase in the amount reflected above.

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| <u>Senate</u>   | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u>   | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}       | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S}                        |              |
| <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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