

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **SB 1** SLS 15RS 23

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> April 21, 2015	5:48 PM	<b>Author:</b> ALLAIN
<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Judiciary		<b>Analyst:</b> Matthew LaBruyere
<b>Subject:</b> Natural Drainage		

SERVITUDES OR NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1  
Provides relative to servitudes of natural drainage. (gov sig)

Proposed law provides that an estate situated below is the servient estate and is bound to receive the surface waters that flow naturally from a dominant estate situated above, unless an act of man has created the flow.

Proposed law provides that the owner of the servient estate situated below may not do anything to prevent the flow of the water. Proposed law further provides that the owner of the dominant estate situated above may not do anything to render the servitude more burdensome.

Proposed law is intended to clarify the meaning of Civil Code Articles 655 and 656 from the time of their initial enactment as reproducing the substance of Article 660 of the Louisiana Civil Code of 1870.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</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>2015-16</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

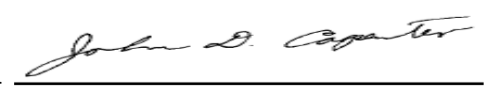
There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.

Any additional court cases that arise as a result of clarifying natural drainage and applying the clarification retroactively will not increase court expenditures and will be handled within normal court operations.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

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| <u>Senate</u>   | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}       |                            |              | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 Rev. Red. to State {H & 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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