

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **SB 201** SLS 15RS 67
 Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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| Subject: Provides for Ballot Initiatives | |

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 Constitutional amendment to provide for ballot initiatives. (2/3-CA13s1(A))

Proposed constitutional amendment gives citizens of Louisiana the power to propose statutes and constitutional amendments via direct initiative and present such initiatives to the electorate at the next statewide general election, provided that an initiative measure is presented to the Secretary of State via a petition containing the language of the proposed statute or constitutional amendment.

Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the petitions can be signed either in person or electronically on the Secretary of State's website.

The proposed constitutional amendment will be submitted to voters at the election to be held on October 24, 2015.

| EXPENDITURES | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|---------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------------|
| State Gen. Fd. | INCREASE | INCREASE | INCREASE | INCREASE | INCREASE | |
| 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 | | | | | | |
| REVENUES | 2015-16 | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
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| 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 |

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation may result in an indeterminable increase in state general fund expenditures.

In the event the proposed constitutional amendment is approved, the Secretary of State will incur development costs for an online petition signing system, a service it does not currently offer. The Secretary of State bases these development costs on a \$100 per hour rate for its contract with GCR, Inc. However, due to the nature of the new service, the number of man hours necessary to construct it is indeterminable.

This bill will add a constitutional amendment to be considered by voters at the statewide election held on October 24, 2015. The Secretary of State may incur minimal ballot printing costs associated with this measure. As a regular practice, the Secretary of State typically budgets for up to 10 constitutional amendments for the fall statewide elections.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

- Senate Dual Referral Rules House
- 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}
- 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}
- 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
- 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 Rev. Red. to State {H & S}
- 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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