

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 386** HLS 15RS 509

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action: **w/ SEN COMM AMD**

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> May 20, 2015	2:26 PM	<b>Author:</b> LEGER
<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Board of Regents		<b>Analyst:</b> Charley Rome
<b>Subject:</b> Makes Changes to Deepwater Horizon Damages Fund		

FUNDS/FUNDING

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Makes changes to distributions to higher education from the Deepwater Horizon Economic Damages Collection Fund

The proposed legislation changes the distribution of the proceeds to the Deepwater Horizon Economic Damages Collection Fund. The bill decreases the portions of future settlement to be deposited into the fund from 45% to 40% each for the Budget Stabilization Fund and the Medicaid Trust Fund for the Elderly and directs the extra 10% to equitable allocation to public postsecondary institutions in the state. Proposed law also provides that interest earned on the investment of monies in the fund shall be credited to the fund and requires that appropriations from the fund shall be made to the Board of Regents to be distributed to state public postsecondary education institutions in accordance with the formula for the equitable distribution of funds. The proposed legislation additionally allows appropriations from interest to be distributed to independent institutions of higher learning in accordance with present law (R.S. 17:2053) which requires the Board of Regents to reimburse independent institutions of higher learning in the state for educating La. residents. Proposed law requires that appropriations to the Board of Regents shall not displace, replace, or supplant funding for higher education.

<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><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

  

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<b>Annual Total</b>						

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

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

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

Statutorily dedicated revenues from the Deepwater Horizon Economic Damages Collection Fund from interest earned on monies in the fund will increase by unknown amounts assuming funds become available in the future and the Legislature appropriates these available funds. According to staff from Department of Treasury, no money has gone into the fund since it was created by Act 646 of the 2014 Regular Session. Due to ongoing litigation, the Department of Justice is unable at this time to provide information on amounts that might ultimately be recovered and deposited into the fund, or when funds might be recovered.

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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