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REAPPORTIONMENT/LEGIS
OR INCREASE GF EX See Note
Page 1 of 1 (Constitutional amendment) Provides relative to the authority for redistricting the legislature.

The proposed constitutional amendment changes the terminology in the present constitution to reflect a change from reapportion and reapportionment to redistrict and redistricting. The constitutional amendment further provides for the establishment of a Redistricting Commission in each year the federal decennial census is taken to propose 3 alternative plans for redistricting of each house of the legislature. The commission shall be composed of 13 members representative of the state's population by race and gender to ensure diversity; and shall receive the same per diem and travel allowance as the members of the legislature. The commission shall conduct at least one public meeting within each congressional district (6) of the state; and utilize the assistance of appropriate staff of the legislature. If the commission fails to submit 3 plans or the legislature fails to enact one of such plans, the LA Supreme Court, upon petition of any elector, shall redistrict the legislature. The proposed constitutional amendment shall be on the ballots for the $11 / 8 / 2016$ statewide election.

| EXPENDITURES | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
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| State Gen. Fd. | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | INCREASE | \$0 | \$0 |
| 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 |
| Annual Total | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |  | \$0 | \$0 |
| REVENUES | 2016-17 | 2017-18 | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
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## EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation will result in an indeterminable increase in SGF expenditures in FY 20. The impact on expenditures will depend on the number of public meetings held. The legislation provides for the commission to conduct at least one public meeting within each congressional district (6) of the state, and to utilize the assistance of appropriate staff of the legislature. Additionally, each member of the commission shall be eligible for legislative per diem and travel allowance, which is currently $\$ 0.54$ per mile. The current legislative per diem is $\$ 157$ and the cost of related benefits ( $7.65 \%$ includes FICA $6.2 \%$ and Medicare $1.45 \%$ ) is approximately $\$ 12$ for a daily cost of approximately $\$ 169$ or $\$ 2,197$ ( $\$ 169 \times 13$ members) per meeting.

It is assumed that any responsibilities (secretarial and research) required by the commission will be assigned to existing legislative staff members whereby costs will be absorbed. There will be costs for advertising meetings to encourage public participation, travel expenses for legislative staff members, and all other necessary expenses incurred in connection with the commission.

The Department of State budgets for up to 10 constitutional amendments for the fall statewide elections as regular practice and any costs associated with this proposed constitutional amendment will be absorbed within the agency's budget.

## REVENUE EXPLANATION

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


