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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **SB 325** SLS 16RS 513
 Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Court Costs	

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 Applies court costs to juvenile and family matters.

Purpose of the Bill: This measure provides that the cost and charges related to the 19th Judicial District Court (JDC) Judicial Building Fund now apply to cases involving juvenile and family matters.

Act No. 202 of the 2003 Regular Session requires that any new court cost or fee or increase in an existing court cost or fee must first be submitted to the Judicial Council for review and recommendation. Per a review of the 2016 Report of the Judicial Council, there was no application for consideration of the proposed increase in the cost for fees in either the Juvenile or the Family Courts.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$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	<u>\$1,591,200</u>	<u>\$1,591,200</u>	<u>\$1,591,200</u>	<u>\$1,591,200</u>	<u>\$1,591,200</u>	\$7,956,000
Annual Total	\$1,591,200	\$1,591,200	\$1,591,200	\$1,591,200	\$1,591,200	\$7,956,000

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION

This measure may increase local government revenues for the 19th JDC Judicial Building Fund by \$1,591,200 annually.

This measure removes the exemption in current law for juvenile and family matters relating to the costs and charges imposed by RS 13:992.1(B). An official with the Juvenile Court of East Baton Rouge Parish provided that this measure will increase fees by \$45,800 annually. An official with the Family Court for East Baton Rouge Parish provided that fees are estimated to increase by \$1,545,400 annually if two assumptions are made (1) if current authority to the 19th JDC to impose the additional costs of court and services charges provided in RS 13:992.1(B) can be applied to Family Court cases, and (2) that the projected fee increase would only be achieved if the Family Court would elect to increase the fees to the maximum amounts. The official also indicated that this number is preliminary in that the Clerk of Court is still gathering information relating to revenues that would result from fees generated from recordings of family matters.

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} |

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