

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB** 413 SLS 16RS 709

Bill Text Version: ORIGINAL

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.: Sub. Bill For.:

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**Dept./Agy.:** Judiciary/District Attorneys

Subject: Increases Assistant District Attorneys in 9th Judicial District Analyst: Zachary Rau

DISTRICT ATTORNEYS

OR INCREASE GF EX See Note

Provides for two additional assistant district attorneys for the Ninth Judicial District. (8/1/16)

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<u>Present law</u> allows the 9th Judicial District to appoint fifteen (15) assistant district attorneys. <u>Proposed law</u> allows the 9th Judicial District to appoint seventeen (17) assistant district attorneys, an increase of two positions. <u>Proposed law</u> becomes effective August 1, 2016.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$86,543	\$94,410	\$94,410	\$94,410	\$94,410	\$464,183
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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

Proposed law will increase SGF expenditures by \$86,543 in FY 17 and by \$94,410 in FY 18 and subsequent fiscal years. In addition, the proposed law will increase expenditures for local governing authorities. The proposed legislation adds two (2) assistant district attorney positions in the 9th Judicial District. Pursuant to LA R.S. 16:11, assistant district attorneys receive a state-paid annual salary of \$45,000. The total annual salary cost for two additional assistant district attorneys is \$90,000 (\$45,000 \* 2).

In addition, the state must pay Medicare and retirement system costs for these two positions. Based upon the current Medicare rate of 1.45%, Medicare costs for both positions will total \$1,305 (\$90,000 \* 1.45%). Based upon the current District Attorneys Retirement plan rate of 3.5%, retirement costs for both positions will total \$3,150 (\$90,000 \* 3.5%), though this rate is subject to change by administrative rule. Adding total salaries to the Medicare and retirement costs creates an annual expenditure increase of \$94,410. Due to the August 1, 2016, effective date of the proposed legislation, the positions will only be funded for 11 months at a total expenditure of \$86,543 (\$94,410 / 12 \* 11) in FY 17. Future fiscal year amounts may vary depending on the retirement contribution rate.

The proposed legislation will result in an increase in local fund expenditures for healthcare benefits provided by the 9th Judicial District. Local costs may also increase if the 9th Judicial District provides additional salary and retirement benefits.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

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13.5.1 >= 9	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}	$6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$		
	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}	6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Evan Brasseaux Staff Director	(