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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: SB 806 SLS 04- 1273
Bill Text Version: ENROLLED
Opp Chamb Action:
Sub Bill For: SB 158
Proposed Amd:

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Dept/Agy: Local Governments / LA Tax Commission
Subject: Homestead Exemption - Homes Owned In Indivision Analyst: Greg Albrecht

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Constitutional amendment to provide for the homestead exemption to certain people, certain land, to property occupied by a surviving spouse, by certain trusts, where usufruct has been granted for a lifetime and under bond for deed contracts.

Currently, the Constitution extends the homestead exemption to a defined bona fide homestead, and to the minor children of a deceased owner so long as title to the home is held by either the husband or wife.

Proposed law explicitly extends the homestead exemption to land classified and assessed at use value, and in cases where property is owned in indivision. Proposed law makes various other changes to insure that the exemption is extended to the surviving spouse, or former spouse, or children regardless of how the title to the home is held. Provisions are included to prevent abuse of the exemption, and only one exemption per person is allowed.

To be submitted at an election to be held on November 2, 2004.

Table with columns: EXPENDITURES, REVENUES, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 5 YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State General Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Stat. Deds./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION:

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION:

According to the LA Tax Commission and testimony by various assessors and representatives of the LA Assessors Association, most assessors are currently administering the homestead exemption generally consistent with the provisions of this bill, even as the forms or methods of home ownership have been changing or evolving (especially with regard to the various issues of indivision).

Dual Referral Rules

Senate

- 13.5.1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost
13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change

House

- 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost
6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease

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