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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: HB 202 HLS 15RS 157
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Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Lafayette Parish Bayou Vermilion District
Subject: Public Works on Streams and Bayous Analyst: Bobby Trahan

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Provides relative to the authority of the Lafayette Parish Bayou Vermilion District to perform public works on streams and bayous in other parishes.

Purpose of Bill: Would authorize the Lafayette Parish Bayou Vermilion District to conduct work in St. Landry, St. Martin, and Vermilion parishes to help improve the water quality and flow in Bayou Vermilion or any tributary or distributary. This would include but not be limited to Bayou Carencro, Bayou Fuselier, Ruth Canal/Evangeline Canal, Bayou Tortue, and Coulee Crow. Currently, the district is restricted to only conducting work on that portion of Bayou Vermilion that is located in Lafayette Parish.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 5 -YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

Table with 7 columns: REVENUES, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 5 -YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local expenditures would increase with the hiring of new staff and the purchase of needed equipment.

An official with the district indicated they did not foresee any increase in expenditures during the first year because they would only be surveying the new areas and taking water samples, which is part of their normal operations. They foresee the hiring of two new employees in the second year along with the purchase of a new boat and motor. Increases in years three through five are attributed to the salaries for the new employees and maintenance costs on the boat and motor.

The new employees would work with the existing employees to clear trash, limbs, and other items from Bayou Vermilion and its tributaries in St. Landry, St. Martin, and Vermilion parishes.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

- 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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