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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 164** HLS 17RS 528  
 Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Abolishment of Municipal Police Department	

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 Provides for the abolition of the office of police chief and the police department for the town of Stonewall

**PURPOSE OF THE BILL:** This bill allows the town of Stonewall to abolish the municipal police department at the end of the term of the current police chief on 6/30/2018 and allows the town of Stonewall to contract with other law enforcement.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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Local Funds	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

**There may be a decrease in local governmental expenditures as a result of this measure.**

The town of Stonewall has three full time officers that work three 8 hour shifts, five days a week with yearly expenditures of \$305,000 that will decrease at the point that the police department is dissolved. An official of the DeSoto Sheriff's department stated that the town of Stonewall is in their jurisdiction and the Sheriff is required to respond to calls in the town. The Sheriff's department does not expect an increase in expenditures to continue existing coverage.

The Town may contract with the Sheriff's department to provide four patrol deputies to work 2 12-hour shifts, seven days a week for the yearly amount of \$295,000. If Stonewall enters in to such a contract, there may be an decrease in local fund expenditures of \$10,000 (\$295,000-\$305,000).

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

**There may be an increase in local governmental revenues as a result of this measure.**

The town of Stonewall would incur a decrease for the loss of revenue for ticket fines of \$120,000 at the point that the police department is dissolved.

A contract with the DeSoto Sheriff's department would include the writing of citations for the Mayor's Court and is expected to generate \$240,000. If Stonewall contracts with the Sheriff's department and they collect the estimated amount of ticket fines, there may be an increase in local revenue of \$120,000 (\$240,000-\$120,000).

Senate Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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