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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: SB 174 SLS 11RS 134
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Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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DISTRICT ATTORNEYS EG INCREASE LF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
Prohibits certain compensated employment as legal counsel by compensated employee of the office of a district attorney.
(8/15/11)

Purpose of Bill: The bill provides that an incumbent employee of the District Attorney's Office (DA) in the Twenty-Sixth
Judicial District cannot receive additional compensation from the parish governing authority for providing services that the DA
is already legally obligated to provide. This does not apply to parish governing authorities specifically authorized to do so by
their home rule charter or law.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 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, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local government expenditures may increase by an indeterminable amount as a result of this measure.

If a governing authority chooses to contract with outside legal counsel instead of using the existing resources of the DA to
provide necessary legal services, local government expenditures could increase.

Bossier parish indicated that their expenditures may increase by at least \$437,500 per year. Webster Parish indicated that
their expenditures may increase by \$225,000 per year. Bossier and Webster both attributed cost increases to such factors as
additional billable hours being necessary to get the new counsel "up to speed" with the many issues in the parish. Webster
Parish also stated the new council might charge a higher rate which would also attribute to the increase in expenditures.

If Bossier and Webster Parishes were to obtain counsel which already had experience and knowledge of the legal issues, the
expenditures presented in the above paragraph could decrease.

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} [] 6.8(F)1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S}
[] 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} [] 6.8(F)2 >= \$100,000 Annual SGF Cost {H&S}
[] 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}
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