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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: HB 256 HLS 13RS 646
Bill Text Version: ENGROSSED
Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Redemption Period for Tax Sales

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(Constitutional Amendment) Provides for the redemption period for blighted, abandoned, uninhabitable, or hazardous property sold at tax sale.

Purpose of Bill: This measure shortens the redemption period for property sold at a tax sale which is blighted, abandoned, uninhabitable, or hazardous to 18 months. Currently, such properties have a redemption period of 18 months in the city of New Orleans and three years in the remainder of the state. The redemption period allows the previous owner to redeem the property after it is sold at a tax sale by paying the price given, plus costs, a 5% penalty, and interest at 1% until redemption.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES/REVENUES, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 5-YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The impact on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure is indeterminable.

According to officials with the cities of Lafayette and Shreveport, there may be a decrease in local fund expenditures in the future if more responsible property owners take full ownership of these properties within the shorter redemption period and maintain them without requiring the city to do so.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no 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) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S}
13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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