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Louisiana Legislative Fiscal Office — Fiscal Notes

Fiscal Note On: **HB 1037** HLS 26RS 1470
Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Department of Transportation and Development
Subject: Chief Operating Officer
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TRANSPORTATION DEPT EG INCREASE SD EX See Note

Modifies operations and certain positions within the Department of Transportation and Development

Proposed law creates a Chief Operating Officer within the Department of Transportation and Development, appointed by the Secretary of the department with a salary fixed by the governor not to exceed the amount approved by the legislature. The Chief Operating Officer will supervise and direct the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Project Delivery and the Assistant Secretary of Operations, and any other duties assigned by the Secretary.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Agy. Self-Gen.	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Ded./Other	**INCREASE**	**INCREASE**	**INCREASE**	**INCREASE**	**INCREASE**	
Federal Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Local Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Annual Total						

REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Federal Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Local Funds	$0	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Annual Total	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed law will result in an indeterminable, but significant, increase in expenditures out of the Transportation Trust Fund for the appointment of a new Chief Operating Officer position. Proposed law requires the Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Development to appoint a Chief Operating Officer who will supervise and direct the Assistant Secretary of the Office of Project Delivery and the Assistant Secretary of Operations. The salary for the Chief Operating Officer is to be set by the governor, not to exceed the amount approved by the legislature. The exact fiscal impact is indeterminable, as it is unknown what salary will be set. If the Secretary appoints an existing employee to this new position, the LFO presumes that the department will fill the resulting vacancy.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate — Dual Referral Rules

- [x] 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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