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(Constitutional Amendment) Provides for changes in the expenditure limit calculation

Present Constitution requires an expenditure limit for the ensuing fiscal year to be the limit for the current fiscal year multiplied by a positive growth factor. The growth factor is defined as the average annual percentage rate of change of personal income for Louisiana for the three calendar years prior to the fiscal year for which the limit is calculated. The limit for any fiscal year may be changed by a two-thirds vote of the legislature.

Proposed Constitutional Amendment requires an expenditure limit for the ensuing fiscal year to be the amount appropriated from the state general fund and dedicated funds for the current fiscal year multiplied by a positive growth factor. The legislature shall establish a procedure by law to determine the growth factor, which shall not exceed 6%. That law may be changed only by a specific legislative instrument requiring a favorable vote of two-thirds of the elected members of each house of the legislature. To be submitted to the electors at the statewide election to be held on November 6, 2018.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	2021-22	2022-23	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0					\$0
REVENUES	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Currently, the provisions in R.S. 39:33.1 establish the specific procedure for implementing the expenditure limit, subject to the present authorizing constitutional provisions this joint resolution proposes to amend. A companion bill (HB 16) to this joint resolution proposes to amend the associated provisions of R.S. 39:33.1, contingent upon adoption of this joint resolution. The implications of the proposed change to the expenditure limit are discussed in the fiscal note for HB 16.

Proposed constitutional amendment will be considered by voters at the statewide election to be held on November 6, 2018. The Secretary of State may incur minimal ballot printing costs associated with this measure. However, as a regular practice, the Secretary of State typically budgets for up to 10 constitutional amendments for the fall statewide elections.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

