



LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note

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DISEASE CONTROL OR +\$325,596 GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
 Provides relative to amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. (gov sig)

Proposed law requires the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) to establish an amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) surveillance system within the Office of Public Health (OPH) to collect, analyze, interpret, and disseminate data relative to individuals living with ALS in Louisiana. Proposed law provides that in establishing the surveillance system, LDH shall require reporting sources to report information on ALS to the OPH. Proposed law provides for confidentiality of individual identifying data in the surveillance system. Proposed law requires LDH to produce an annual report on the results obtained through the surveillance system to be submitted to the secretary of LDH and the House and Senate committees on health and welfare. Effective upon governor's signature.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$325,596	\$242,692	\$242,692	\$242,692	\$242,692	\$1,296,364
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$325,596	\$242,692	\$242,692	\$242,692	\$242,692	\$1,296,364
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in increased costs to the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) Office of Public Health (OPH) of \$325,596 in FY 25 and \$242,692 annually thereafter. These costs include \$238,836 annually for two (2) positions, \$3,856 annually in operating costs, \$75,000 in FY 25 for professional services, and \$7,904 in FY 25 for office furniture and equipment.

The OPH reports it plans to fill two (2) positions to implement the proposed ALS surveillance program: one (1) Program Manager 1A at a salary of \$84,989 to oversee creation, manage, and guide activities related to the development of the registry, as well as to maintain the registry and develop a system to collect data; and one (1) Program Monitor at a salary of \$74,235 to support and facilitate the work of establishing the registry, maintain the registry, and assist with data collection. In addition to \$159,224 in combined salaries, the positions will require \$79,612 in combined benefits for a total personal services cost of \$238,836 per year. The OPH also reports the positions will require \$3,856 in operating expenses; however, the LFO has reached out to the OPH for additional information in verifying these operating costs. These staff will also require \$7,904 in one-time expenses for office furniture and equipment in FY 25.


The OPH reports it will also incur \$75,000 in one-time professional services costs in FY 25 for technology and software related to establishing and maintaining the registry. The OPH assumes that this \$75,000 professional services contract will include any costs for ongoing maintenance of the registry; however, if there are additional needs for expansion or additional services added to the contract, then costs may increase.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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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