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Provides for firearm accident prevention and safety education for elementary school students. (8/1/24)

Proposed legislation amends current law to require rather than authorize classroom instruction in firearm accident prevention and safety to elementary school students. Requires the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) to identify appropriate free resources and to list those resources on its website.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

Proposed legislation requires firearm safety instruction to be integrated into an existing course of study and directs the Louisiana Department of Education to identify any free resources for such instruction and list them on its website. The bill identifies two such programs that provide gun safety education services: the Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program and the Louisiana Law Enforcement for Gun Safety Program. According to the National Rifle Association website, the Eddie Eagle GunSafe Program teaches students in pre-K through fourth grade a series of four important steps to take if they find a gun. The program was developed to be readily incorporated into an existing curriculum. Instructor guide books, student workbooks, and an animated instructional video are available for free on the Eddie Eagle website. Additional materials are offered at a nominal fee and include physical copies of instructor guides, student workbooks, a DVD copy of the animated instructional video, brochures, and student reward stickers. Program materials are also available in Spanish. The website indicates grant funding is available to schools but is limited and available on a first come, first served basis.

The Louisiana Law Enforcement for Gun Safety Program (LLEGS) is a Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative led by law enforcement personnel. Its mission is to promote awareness and accident prevention in an effort to reduce the risks of childhood injuries and deaths due to accidental gun fire. There is no cost to the school for the instruction.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

<u>Senate</u>	Dual Referral Rules	<u>House</u>	
13.5.1 >=	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}	\bigcirc 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	Johns Mamor
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}	Patrice Thomas Deputy Fiscal Officer