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Opp. Chamb. Action:

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Sub. Bill For.:

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Provides for the territorial jurisdiction and election districts of the justice of the peace courts and constables in Iberville Parish

Purpose of the Bill: This bill defines the territorial jurisdiction for the six existing Justice of the Peace courts (JPs) and the six existing constable districts in Iberville Parish, making these territorial changes effective for election purposes starting with the regularly scheduled 2026 primary election cycle for JPs and constables (election dates November 3 and December 12, 2026), and effective for all other purposes starting January 1, 2027.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	SEE BELOW	\$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	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	\$0
Annual Total	\$0					\$0

REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total	\$0					\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

This bill is not expected to have a direct, material impact on overall state or local governmental expenditures. However, expenditures for individual Iberville Parish Justice of the Peace courts (JP) and Constable offices may change depending upon changes in caseload resulting from redistricting. In addition, the Iberville Parish Registrar of Voters may incur one-time expenditures of \$20,262 in fiscal year 2027, which is expected to be reimbursed by the Louisiana Secretary of State using its existing resources.

We received information from three JPs (Wards 1, 3, and 4) and three Constable offices (Wards 1, 2, and 5) in Iberville Parish regarding the bill's potential impact. Most officials indicated that the bill will have little to no impact on their respective offices' expenditures. However, information from the JP Ward 1 indicated that the bill may increase the expenditures of the JP Ward 1 by an indeterminable amount depending upon changes in caseload resulting from redistricting.

Based on information from the Iberville Parish Registrar of Voters, the Registrar may incur a one-time expenditure of \$20,262 in fiscal year 2027 to mail updated voter registration cards (30,241 voters x \$0.67). However, an official with the Louisiana Secretary of State indicated that expenditures associated with this bill, including the reimbursement, would have no fiscal impact as these costs can be absorbed within existing resources.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

This bill is not expected to have a direct, material impact on overall state or local governmental revenue. However, revenue for individual Iberville Parish Justice of the Peace courts (JP) and Constable offices may change depending upon changes in caseload resulting from redistricting.

We received information from three JPs (Wards 1, 3, and 4) and three Constable offices (Wards 1, 2, and 5) in Iberville Parish regarding the bill's potential impact. Most officials indicated that the bill would have little to no impact on their respective offices' revenue. However, information from the JP Ward 1 indicated that the bill may increase the revenue of the JP Ward 1 by indeterminable amount depending upon changes in caseload resulting from redistricting.

Officials with the Louisiana Secretary of State and the Iberville Parish Registrar of Voters indicated that this bill is not expected to impact the revenue of their respective offices.