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Present law requires all officers of the state and parishes to be administered an oath or affirmation; provides that the Secretary of State records the oath or affirmation for state officers and the Clerk of Court records the oath or affirmation for parish officers.

Proposed law provides that the oath or affirmation be recorded at no charge to the elected or appointed official.

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


Proposed law may result in a decrease in revenues collected by Clerks of Court to record oaths or affirmations of elected or appointed officials. Any such decrease is nuanced and situational, as it is unknown how many Clerks of Court currently charge a fee. The LFO anticipates any such decrease in revenue will be minimal.

The Secretary of State does not charge a fee to record an oath or affirmation of an elected or appointed official and therefore proposed law will have no impact on revenue for the Department of State.

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☐ 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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