

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 987** HLS 26RS 1440

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> April 6, 2026	9:49 AM	<b>Author:</b> MCFARLAND
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<b>Subject:</b> Louisiana Geological Survey		

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Realigns energy-related programs by moving the Louisiana Geological Survey under the Louisiana State University Energy Institute

Proposed law moves the Louisiana Geological Survey from its current location at LSU into the LSU Energy Institute and specifies the survey's responsibilities for coordinating with the Office of Technology Services, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, the Department of Conservation and Energy, and the Natural Resources Commission regarding the storage and maintenance of state geologic data. Proposed law removes the requirement for the Office of State Resources within the Department of Conservation and Energy to work cooperatively with the Center for Energy Studies at LSU and instead requires cooperation with the Energy Institute at LSU. Proposed law authorizes the use of cooperative endeavor agreements to implement proposed law.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law realigns the Louisiana Geological Survey within the LSU Energy Institute and updates statutory coordination requirements for the Department of Conservation and Energy. Any costs associated with coordination or cooperative endeavor agreements are expected to be minimal and absorbable within existing resources.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

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}

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