

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



Fiscal Note On: **HB 244** HLS 26RS 861

Bill Text Version: **RE-REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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| <b>Date:</b> April 21, 2026   | 12:24 PM | <b>Author:</b> GREEN           |
| <b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Secretary of State                                       |          | <b>Analyst:</b> Kimberly Fruge |
| <b>Subject:</b> Constitutional Convention Delegates and Voting Requirements |          |                                |

CONSTITUTION/CONVENTION RR SEE FISC NOTE GF EX Page 1 of 1  
(Constitutional Amendment) Provides for the election of constitutional convention delegates and vote requirements necessary for the adoption of a new constitution

Current constitution provides for the calling of a constitutional convention by law enacted by 2/3rd of the elected members of each house. Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the convention shall be composed of one delegate elected from each senatorial and each representative district.

Current constitution provides that any proposed revision or new constitution agreed upon by the convention be submitted to the people for ratification (simple majority of electors) or rejection. Proposed constitutional amendment provides that the proposed constitution be agreed upon by 2/3 of the delegates and ratified by 3/4th of the parishes.

To be submitted to the electors at the statewide election to be held on November 3, 2026.

| EXPENDITURES        | 2026-27          | 2027-28    | 2028-29    | 2029-30    | 2030-31    | 5 -YEAR TOTAL |
|---------------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------|
| State Gen. Fd.      | <b>SEE BELOW</b> | \$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>    |
| <b>Annual Total</b> |                  | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b>    |

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

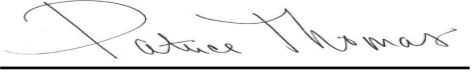
The Secretary of State may incur minimal ballot processing costs associated with this measure. As a regular practice, the Secretary of State typically budgets for up to 10 constitutional amendments and statewide propositions for the fall statewide elections. To the extent the ballot includes more than 10 constitutional amendments and statewide propositions, the Secretary of State may require additional SGF resources for the November 3, 2026, statewide election. Any expenditure impact would be realized in FY 27.

**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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