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Fiscal Note

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 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.: **w/ PROP SEN COMM AMD**
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Provides for training to prevent human trafficking at public elementary and secondary schools and provides for victims' services. (gov siq)

Proposed legislation requires each city, parish, or other local public school board and each public charter school board to adopt policies for the prevention, identification, reporting, and assistance of human trafficking victims. It requires LDOE, in conjunction with the Governor's Office of Human Trafficking Prevention, to identify and provide information on available training curricula to school boards. Each school must designate a school counselor or administrator to receive annual advanced training on human trafficking prevention and maintain and report training completion records to its governing board.

Present law requires DCFS to develop a plan for identifying minor children who are victims of sex trafficking and coordinate education, healthcare, housing, government benefits, and specialized services for such victims. Proposed legislation revises the scope of present law to apply to minors who are victims of trafficking for any sexual purpose or trafficking related to commercial sexual activities and formalizes the process by which the Governor's Office of Human Trafficking Prevention coordinates with DCFS and the Office of Juvenile Justice to prevent human trafficking and address the needs of such victims through advocacy services and a multidisciplinary response.

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

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed legislation may increase expenditures for the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) by an indeterminable amount to the extent the revised definition of human trafficking results in additional minors being identified as eligible for advocacy services. Currently, DCFS provides advocacy services to an estimated 417 minors (under age 18) who are victims of sex trafficking. Proposed legislation applies those services to minors who are victims of human trafficking, defined as trafficking for any sexual purpose or trafficking related to commercial sexual activities, which may increase the number of eligible recipients. For informational purposes, DCFS reports an average contractual rate of \$40.30 per victim per day. Any increase in costs will depend on the number of additional minors identified and the duration time services are provided.

While the Governor's Office of Human Trafficking Prevention will lead coordination for these victims, services will continue to be delivered in collaboration with DCFS and other agencies. Proposed legislation also clarifies and formalizes existing care coordination and interagency information sharing by providing explicit statutory authority and aligning such efforts with existing multidisciplinary investigative team protocols; any associated fiscal impact is expected to be minimal and administrative in nature.

Proposed legislation may result in a minimal increase in local fund expenditures if required human trafficking training cannot be incorporated into existing professional development activities; however, such costs are expected to be absorbable. Free training resources are available through DCFS, the Office of Human Trafficking Prevention, the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, and other organizations. Local school boards are also expected to absorb costs associated with developing policies and maintaining documentation required for compliance with the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE).

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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