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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 552** HLS 26RS 1099
Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**
Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Corrections and District Courts
Subject: Driving While Intoxicated
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DWI EN NO IMPACT See Note
Provides relative to driving while intoxicated

Current law provides that any prosecution in a city, parish, or municipal court based on the operation of a vehicle by a person while intoxicated may be charged and prosecuted under R.S. 14:98 or any city, parish, or municipal law that incorporates the same elements and sentences; provides for additional fines for certain crimes when the use of alcohol is a factor involved in the commission of the crime; allows certain certificates or writing to be admissible as evidence in all criminal cases when intoxication is an issue; provides for the responsive verdicts which may be made for certain offenses, including but not limited to "vehicular negligent injuring" and "first degree vehicular negligent injuring." Proposed law adds "or impaired" to "intoxicated" throughout the current law.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	$0	$0	$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	$0	$0	$0	$0	**$0**
Annual Total	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

REVENUES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**	**$0**

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

Proposed law updates current law to align with the language used in the Louisiana Revised Statutes (R.S. 14:98), which designates a crime of operating a vehicle while impaired. The proposed law does not create a crime, nor does it add circumstances under which an offender can be prosecuted under current law. Rather, the proposed law only references statutory language already used within current law, which is commonly used interchangeably.

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}

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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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