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Creates the Aged and Law Enforcement Response Team

Proposed law provides for a statewide network of law enforcement officers to be known as Elderly Services Officers (ESO) with specialized training in working with elderly citizens. Proposed law creates the Aged and Law Enforcement Team (ALERT) Board which provides the following: 1) Oversight and monitoring of the ESO program. 2) Review of all grants under the program. 3) Assist in the design of the training and certification of the ESO program. 4) Monitor materials and information concerning elderly services. 5) Prepare an annual report relative to emerging crime problems as they affect the elderly. Proposed law creates the ALERT Council in each parish composed of the sheriff, district attorney, chiefs of police, seniors, and representatives from the primary elderly services organization. Proposed law provides that the ALERT Council shall: 1) Coordinate services among various agencies for the elderly. 2) Monitor local crime conditions and the effectiveness of the ESO program in the parish. 3) Cooperate with all agencies involved in the delivery of law enforcement services to the elderly. 4) Receive the annual report prepared by the ESO and the corresponding response of the ESO program.

EXPENDITURES	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
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	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation will likely result in an increase in state general fund expenditures as a result of creating the training program for Elderly Service Officers. There is currently no existing training program for Elderly Service Officers. The LA Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) anticipates hiring a Law Enforcement Training Consultant at a cost of \$75,450 (salary and benefits) to coordinate and facilitate the development, testing, and implementation of the curriculum and work with the ALERT board. LCLE also anticipates the use of a part-time worker to collect research on information related to elderly crime at a cost of \$8,360. Operating expenses associated with the position include travel, rent, supplies, and postage for \$10,914. Acquisitions of a desk, computer, and printer will cost \$3,000. Finally, LCLE will issue an RFP for the training curriculum which the department anticipates to cost \$20,000 based on historical curriculum expenses.

The potential cost in FY 15 for the program would be approximately \$118,000. The costs are as follows:
Personnel (1 FT + 1 PT): \$83,860
Operating Expenses: \$10,914
Acquisitions: \$3,000
RFP for training curriculum: \$20,000

The cost in the following years would be approximately \$95,000 (\$84,000 personnel + \$11,000 operating) since the acquisition and RFP would be one-time costs.

The cost to local law enforcement agencies is not expected to increase as a result of participating in the ALERT program. Officers that do receive training to become Elderly Service Officers would continue to provide the same public safety services.

NOTE: The legislation states the board members are not to be compensated; however, it is unsure if these members would receive reimbursement for mileage and lodging during meetings. To the extent the members would be entitled to reimbursement, costs may increase slightly.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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Dual Referral Rules

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

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

☐ 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

☐ 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 State Rev. Reduc. {H & S}

☐ 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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