

Subject: Redesignate I-10 as "Who Dat Nation Highway" and US 90

ROADS/HIGHWAYS

EGF +\$4,400 SG EX See Note

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Redesignates Interstate 10 in Louisiana from the Mississippi State Line to the Texas State Line as the "Who Dat Nation Highway". (8/1/19)

Proposed law directs DOTD to add "Home of the Who Dat Nation" signs to Louisiana welcome signs on Interstate 10 in Louisiana at the Texas and Mississippi state lines and in downtown New Orleans at the exit to the Superdome. **Proposed Law** directs DOTD to add signs to U.S. Highway 90 from its intersection with Interstate 10 in Lafayette to its intersection with Louisiana Highway No. 308 in Raceland as the "Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Highway." **Proposed law** directs DOTD to erect and maintain appropriate signage reflecting these designations provided local or private monies are received by the department equal to the department's actual costs for material, fabrication, mounting posts, and installation of each sign, not to exceed the sum of \$1,100 per sign.

EXPENDITURES	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$4,400	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,400
Ded./Other	\$0	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	SEE BELOW	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$4,400					\$4,400
REVENUES	<u>2019-20</u>	<u>2020-21</u>	2021-22	<u>2022-23</u>	2023-24	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will create a direct and indirect increase in expenditures. DOTD will be required to install three plate-type signs at a cost of \$1,100 each, or \$3,300 total, and two highway designation signs at \$550 each, or \$1,100 total. DOTD will expend approximately \$4,400 local and/or private monies - designated as SGR in this fiscal note - for the material, fabrication cost, and installation required for the installation of three plate-type signs at approximately \$1,100 each and two highway designation markers at approximately \$550 each. The plate-type signs will add "Home of the Who Dat Nation" to the Louisiana welcome signs on Interstate 10 in Louisiana at the Texas and Mississippi state lines and in downtown New Orleans at the exit to the Superdome. The highway designation signs will designate a portion of U.S. Highway 90 from its intersection with Interstate 10 in Lafayette to its intersection with Louisiana Highway No. 308 in Raceland as the "Governor Kathleen Babineaux Blanco Highway." DOTD installs and maintains signage as a normal operating expense associated with maintaining the state highways.

The indirect increase in expenditures is attributable to the long-term maintenance and possible replacement costs for damaged or destroyed signs. The maintenance cost over time should be negligible, but to the extent that additional signage is added to the department's inventory each year, the department's effort to maintain them increases incrementally. **Material and labor costs for any new signage is estimated to recur every 10 years in perpetuity, as roadway signs must be replaced due to age or damage.**

For illustrative purposes, the 2018 Regular Session of the Legislature resulted in ten Acts requiring DOTD to fabricate and install 24 signs (including the provision of local or private monies to cover costs). The initial cost incurred due to these legislative actions is estimated to be \$17,720 SGR in FY 19, exclusive of long-term maintenance and replacement costs.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law directs DOTD to erect and maintain signs of the aforementioned designations provided local or private monies are received by the department to fabricate and install the signs. The LFO assumes a one-time SGR collection of \$3,300 for the department's use for material, fabrication, mounting and installing three signs (approximately \$1,100 each).

