



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE  
Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 167** HLS 21RS 719  
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Secretary of State		<b>Analyst:</b> Patrice Thomas
<b>Subject:</b> Removal of Deceased Person from Voter Registration Rolls		

VOTING/REGISTRATION EG SEE FISC NOTE GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1  
 Provides for removal of deceased persons from voter registration rolls

Under present law, upon receipt of a certified copy of a death certificate, Registrars of Voters removes the decedent's name from the voter registration rolls. Under present law, the LA Dept. of Health (LDH) sends a monthly report to the Secretary of State (SOS) of persons in each parish who died in the preceding month; and the SOS cancels the registration when the information on the decedent corresponds exactly to criteria for cancellation established by the SOS. Under present law, requires the SOS to send information from the LDH to the Registrars of Voters on decedents whose registrations were not canceled. Proposed law requires Registrars of Voters to review LDH information to determine if it matches information that is sufficient to cancel or challenge registration of a voter. Under present law, Registrars of Voters are authorized to cancel registrations based on obituaries. Proposed law requires the Registrars of Voters to search obituaries for deceased persons whose registrations were not canceled.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW					
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	SEE BELOW					
<b>Annual Total</b>						
REVENUES	<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Once notice is received, the proposed law requires the Registrars of Voters (ROVs) and the Secretary of State (SOS) to remove a deceased person's name from the voter registration rolls if it corresponds exactly to the criteria for cancellation of voter registration. Furthermore, under the proposed law, if using the information provided by the LA Department of Health (LDH), the Registrar of Voters shall review the information to determine if it matches information sufficient to cancel or challenge the registration of a deceased person. If the SOS does not cancel a decedent's name from the voter registration rolls based on the LDH information, the ROVs are required to search the obituaries and cancel registrations based on obituaries under this measure.

The SOS reports that implementing the proposed law requires one-time funding of \$32,000 SGF (320 hours x \$100) due to IT programming changes for the Voter Registration system to match data from LDH. The SOS can accomplish these tasks utilizing existing resources and budget authority. To the extent that numerous pieces of legislation are enacted requiring programming efforts, the agency may require additional resources.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

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