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Sub. Bill For .:

Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd .:

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Dept./Agy.: Department of State

Subject: Alternative Locations for Early Voting

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Requires approval by the secretary of state for the use and expands permissible locations of alternative locations for early voting. (8/1/23)

Proposed law requires the Secretary of State to determine if the office space of the registrar is sufficient and convenient to accommodate early voting. Under current law, if a space is determined to be insufficient or inconvenient, the alternative early voting location must be a courthouse or a public facility in the immediate vicinity. Under proposed law, the alternative early voting location may be any accessible and conveniently located public facility within the parish.

EXPENDITURES	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	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	SEE BELOW					
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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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	<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	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law may result in a minimal expenditure increase for the Registrar of Voters, to the extent they are required to move early voting locations. Proposed law requires the Secretary of State (SOS) to determine whether the registrar's office space is sufficient and convenient to conduct early voting. If determined to be insufficient or inconvenient, the Registrar may determine an alternative location that is an accessible and conveniently located public facility within the parish. The department indicates that moving the early voting location has the potential to increase the costs for the registrar of voters to move and setup equipment but such costs should be minimal.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

House

<u>Senate</u>	Dual Referral Rules
13.5.1 >=	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
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13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee

Change {S & H}

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

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

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