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Provides relative to parish boards of election supervisors. (8/1/23)

Proposed law increases the compensation period for parish election supervisors from eight to nine days for presidential or regularly scheduled congressional primary or general elections and from seven to eight days for any other primary or general election. Proposed law is subject to appropriation.

EXPENDITURES State Gen. Fd.	<u>2023-24</u> INCREASE	<u>2024-25</u> INCREASE	2025-26 INCREASE	2026-27 INCREASE	2027-28 INCREASE	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
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						
REVENUES	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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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	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will result in an increase in an indeterminable, but potentially significant, SGF expenditure due to the increased compensation period for parish election supervisors. The increased cost is subject to appropriation and is dependent on the number of parishes that need extra time to count mail in ballots and/or early voting ballots and election type. The maximum exposure should all 64 parishes need an extra day to count votes is \$48,000 per election (\$150 daily rate x 5 members per parish x 64 parishes) and \$192,000 per year (\$48,000 per election x 4 elections per year). The Department of State indicates that they do not believe every parish will need an extra compensation day. Instead, the department estimates the costs range from \$75,000 to \$112,500 annually.

Members of the Board of Election Supervisors are compensated \$150 daily. There are five members on each board, totaling \$750 daily per parish. The department assumes that for Presidential or regularly scheduled Congressional Elections 50 parishes would need the extra meeting day, costing \$37,500 (\$750 daily per parish x 50 parishes). For all other primary and general elections, the department assumes only 25 parishes would need the extra meeting day, costing \$18,750 daily per parish x 25 parishes).

Below is an outline of the estimated yearly costs based on the election type (Congressional Elections in Fall of FYs 25 & 27):

	FY 24	FY 25	FY 26	FY 27	FY 28
Fall Primary	\$18,750	\$37,500	\$18,750	\$37,500	\$18,750
Fall General	\$18,750	\$37,500	\$18,750	\$37,500	\$18,750
Spring Primary	\$18,750	\$18,750	\$18,750	\$18,750	\$18,750
Spring General	\$18,750	\$18,750	\$18,750	\$18,750	\$18,750
Total	\$75,000	\$112,500	\$75,000	\$112,500	\$75,000

To the extent more or fewer parishes require an extra day to count votes, the change in expenditures will increase or decrease by \$750 per parish.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

