



**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 792** HLS 24RS 1645
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action:
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Adoption of National Standards for Criminal Trials		

CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE EG SEE FISC NOTE SG EX Page 1 of 1
 Provides relative to the adoption of national standards for criminal adjudications

Proposed law provides that beginning January 1, 2025, each judicial district shall submit a monthly report to the Louisiana Supreme Court containing the number of criminal cases initiated and criminal cases adjudicated from the same month of the prior year. Such report shall be submitted on or before the final day of each month and shall be included in the annual report of the Supreme Court.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW					
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

The proposed law requires each judicial district to submit a monthly report to the Louisiana Supreme Court on or before the final day of each month containing the number of criminal cases initiated and criminal cases adjudicated from the same month of the prior year, and that the Supreme Court submit this information in its annual report.

The Louisiana Supreme Court indicated that it would need to secure one T.O. position for an expected increased workload. They estimate that they will need one staff analyst at an annual cost of approximately \$118,979 (\$114,523 associated with salaries and benefits and \$4,456 in FY 25 associated with travel and per diem costs for conducting site visits, reviewing and preparing data reports, and pursuing corrective measures with clerks). The LFO cannot corroborate that the proposed law's requirements will create a workload level sufficient to require an additional employee. To the extent that existing employees are used, personnel costs will be mitigated.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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

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 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}


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