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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB 126** SLS 25RS 286

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Education		
Subject: Implements the "Protect Our Children and Response Act"		Analyst: Julie Silva

SCHOOLS

OR +\$12,000,000 GF EX See Note

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Provides for school mapping data of public school buildings and facilities. (8/1/25)

Proposed legislation, to be known as the "Protect Our Children and Response Act," requires the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education (BESE) and the Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) to collaborate with local public school systems to provide school mapping data to each local law enforcement agency, local and state public safety offices and emergency preparedness offices, the Center for Safe Schools, and each school office. Proposed legislation provides guidelines for the data necessary for inclusion and exempts this data from the Public Records Law.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$12,000,000	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	\$12,000,000
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	\$12,000,000					\$12,000,000

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed legislation is anticipated to result in an increase in SGF expenditures. In FY 26, expenditures are estimated to total, at a minimum, \$12 M for initial collection of the required school mapping data. Continued expenditures for updates and maintenance of mapping data is expected in the out years, but the cost for this is indeterminable at this time. Implementation of the "Protect Our Children and Response Act" is contingent upon appropriation of funds by the legislature.

The Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE) has consulted with computer-aided design (CAD) technicians to determine a preliminary estimate of the cost to develop school mapping data for each public school building and facility statewide. Based on the proposed requirements that digital mapping of every school is to include site-specific labeling that matches the structure of school buildings including room labels, hallway names, and external door or stairwell numbers and locations of hazards, critical utility locations, key boxes, automated external defibrillators, and trauma kits, an estimated 80 hours of work per building would be required. Assuming the cost of a technician is \$75 per hour and there are approximately 2,000 buildings statewide that would need to be mapped, the total cost is estimated at \$12 M (80 hours x \$75 per hour x 2,000 buildings). This estimate does not include costs for project management, data storage and display, or any other potential operations costs of the project as those costs are indeterminable. LDOE provides while maintenance costs are anticipated beyond the initial collection of mapping data to ensure it remains up-to-date and accurate, those costs are indeterminable at this time.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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


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Dual Referral Rules

House

- ☒ 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}
- ☐ 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

- ☒ 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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