

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE **Fiscal Note**

HB **583** HLS 25RS 718 Fiscal Note On:

Bill Text Version: ORIGINAL

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.: Sub. Bill For .:

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Dept./Agy.: Energy and Natural Resources

Subject: Affordable, Reliable Energy Analyst: Mimi Blanchard

OR INCREASE GF EX See Note **ENERGY**

Establishes state policy regarding affordable, reliable energy and grid resilience

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Proposed law establishes state policy regarding affordable, reliable, and clean energy. It mandates that the Department of Energy and Natural Resources (DENR) work with the Public Service Commission to prioritize domestically produced energy and minimize reliance on foreign sources. The bill defines "affordable energy" as stable, cost-effective resources, including hydrocarbons. It also defines "reliable energy" to include energy that is available at all times with minimal disruptions, and outlines the standards for grid stability and backup power for renewable sources. The bill redefines "green energy" to include energy sources that meet emissions standards equivalent to natural gas, and applies this definition to state programs supporting green or clean energy.

Effective August 1, 2025.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$119,859	\$123,455	\$127,159	\$130,974	\$134,904	\$636,351
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
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The Department of Energy and Natural Resources (DENR) reports that they would need one (1) additional T.O. to hire a Statewide Program Manager funded by SGF. Costs for the additional T.O. are budgeted to include a 40% rate for related benefits and an annual 3% market rate adjustment.

The Statewide Program Manager will provide the Public Service Commission (PSC) with up-to-date information on Department of Energy (DOE) programs, research, and best management practices and assist in securing grant funding opportunities for Louisiana energy resilience and affordability. Additional costs for in-state travel pertaining to meetings, site visits, and collaboration with energy providers may arise, but are not quantifiable at this time.

Additionally, the position will support data analysis, stakeholder engagement, and contribute to legislative recommendations. Costs for data collection and sharing are expected to be minimal, as Act 727 of the 2024 RS formalized a partnership with the LSU Center for Energy Studies (CES) to develop a Statewide Energy Database.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Dual Referral Rules <u>Senate</u> **x** 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or FeeChange {S & H}

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

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

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