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 Subject: M.J. Foster Promise Program
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 Provides relative to initial eligibility requirements for the M.J. Foster Promise Program
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Present law provides that people with any crime of violence conviction are ineligible for the M.J. Foster Promise Program. Proposed law creates an exception allowing eligibility for applicants convicted of crimes listed in R.S. 13:5401(B)(1)(f), EXCEPT for those convicted of battery of a police officer, aggravated assault with a firearm, or simple kidnapping. Applicants with convictions for other crimes of violence not listed in R.S. 13:5401(B)(1)(f) would remain ineligible for the program.

EXPENDITURES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	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

Under the proposed law, for every 44 additional students who qualify for the M.J. Foster Promise Program, there would be a \$100,000 annual increase in Statutory Dedication expenditures out of the M.J. Foster Promise Program Fund. The LFO cannot determine the total impact because it is not known how many additional students will qualify for the scholarship under the expanded eligibility criteria under this measure.

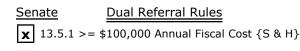
Proposed law expands eligibility for the M.J. Foster Promise Program by allowing people with certain criminal convictions to participate in the program. The average M.J. Foster Promise Program award amount is approximately \$2,242 per student per year. For informational purposes, in FY 25, there are projected to be 4,431 award recipients at an average award of \$2,242 for total payments of

\$9.9 M.

Note: Deposits into the M.J. Foster Promise Program Fund are from any source, including private business, industry, foundations, and other groups, as well as any available federal or other governmental funding. State appropriations for the program shall not exceed \$40 million per year for students enrolled in public postsecondary education institutions and proprietary schools. As of 2/11/25, the balance of the fund is \$7.6 M.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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



13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee

Change {S & H}

House } (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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