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Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 581** HLS 25RS 982

Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

<b>Date:</b> June 9, 2025	6:47 PM	<b>Author:</b> ILLG
<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries		
<b>Subject:</b> Civil Penalties		<b>Analyst:</b> Richie Anderson

ENVIRONMENT

Prohibits releasing inflated balloons outdoors

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Proposed law establishes civil penalties for the intentional release of balloons inflated with gas lighter than air. Proposed law creates a civil fine of \$150 for a first violation, \$250 for a second violation, and \$500 for a third or subsequent violation. All fines collected will be deposited into the Litter Abatement Account within the Conservation Fund.

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

REVENUES	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Ded./Other	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	<b>INCREASE</b>	
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Annual Total						

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Proposed law will likely result in an indeterminable increase in revenue deposited into the Litter Abatement Account within the Conservation Fund as a result of civil penalties for violating litter laws. The fine assessed under the proposed law would be \$150 for a first offense; \$250 for a second offense; \$500 for a third offense and subsequent offenses. The exact fiscal impact of the proposed law is indeterminable as it is unknown how many people will be assessed the proposed civil penalty.

Senate

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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