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 Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Creates the Louisiana Women's Health Consortium		

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 Creates the Louisiana Women's Health Consortium

Proposed law creates the Women's Health Consortium within LDH, the Office on Women's Health and Community Health. Proposed law requires the consortium to develop an initiative known as the Funding Priority Program for Women's Health Initiatives to identify current funding provided for women's health initiatives, prioritize funding needed to sustain and enhance current effective initiatives, and identify new initiatives to support emerging scientific research and innovation. Proposed law requires the consortium to perform other duties such as evaluating and providing recommendations, identifying systemic barriers, and recommendations on an online clearinghouse of evidence-based information and resources. Proposed law requires the consortium to submit a written report that summarizes the activities, findings, and recommendations of the consortium to the David R. Poynter Legislative Research Library, the House and Senate Committees on Health and Welfare, and the Governor's Office prior to the convening of the 2027 R.S. Proposed law provides that the duties, functions, and responsibilities imposed pursuant to this measure shall be implemented only to the extent that funding is appropriated by the legislature or otherwise made available. The consortium shall serve solely in an advisory capacity and shall not constitute a program, office, or operational division of LDH. Effective upon signature of the governor. The provisions of this Act shall terminate on June 30, 2027, unless extended by the legislature.

EXPENDITURES	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Proposed law is not expected to result in additional expenditures for the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH), as implementation is contingent upon the availability of appropriated state funds, federal funds, grants, or other funding sources. Proposed law further provides that nothing shall be construed to require the expenditure of funds in excess of those appropriated or otherwise available for such purposes.

In addition, proposed law does not require LDH or participating agencies to create new positions, enter into contracts, or expend additional funds absent a specific legislative appropriation.

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}

House
 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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