	LEGISLATIVE FISC Fiscal Note								
		Fiscal Note On:	SB 606	SLS	10RS	907			
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	Proposed Amd.:								
	Sub. Bill For.:								
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Subject: Creates Preservation of Religious Freedom Act		Analyst: Charley Rome							

RELIGIOUS FREEDOMS/LIBERTIES OR NO IMPACT GF EX See Note Provides relative to religious freedom. (8/15/10)

Proposed law creates the Preservation of Religious Freedom Act. The bill provides that government may not substantially burden a person's exercise of religion, even if the burden results from a facially neutral rule or a rule of general applicability, unless it demonstrates that application of the burden to the person is essential to further a compelling governmental interest and is the least restrictive means of furthering that compelling governmental interest. The bill establishes definitions related to the Religious Freedom Act. The legislation applies to all state laws and local ordinances. Burdened parties may assert their violation as a claim or defense in judicial proceedings including injunctive/declaratory relief and actual damages including reasonable attorney fees and costs. The bill describes procedures required to bring an action to court and that provisions of the Louisiana Governmental Claim Act shall apply to the proposed law. Proposed law provides that it shall not affect, interpret, or in any way address that portion of the First Amendment to the U. S. Constitution and provides that the provisions of proposed law are severable. Effective August 15, 2010.

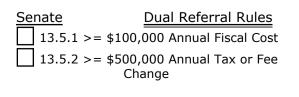
EXPENDITURES	<u>2010-11</u>	<u>2011-12</u>	2012-13	<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>	<u>5 -YEAR TOTAL</u>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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



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