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Fiscal Note**

Fiscal Note On: **HB 232** HLS 13RS 833
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**
 Opp. Chamb. Action: **W/ SEN FLOOR AMD**
 Proposed Amd.:
 Sub. Bill For.:

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Dept./Agy.: Grant Parish Tourist Commission	
Subject: Hotel Occupancy Tax	Analyst: Julie Betz

TOURISM/COMMISSION EGF +\$6,594 LF RV See Note Page 1 of 1
 Increases the maximum hotel occupancy tax that the Grant Parish Tourist Commission is authorized to levy

Purpose of Bill: This measure increases the maximum rate of the hotel occupancy tax that the Grant Parish Tourist Commission may levy from 2% to 8%.

This measure also states that the levy of the additional tax must be approved by a majority of the electors of Grant Parish.

EXPENDITURES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	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	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$32,970
Annual Total	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$6,594	\$32,970

REVENUES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Beginning in fiscal year 2014, there may be an increase in local fund expenditures of \$6,594 per year.

According to an official with the Secretary of State's Office, election costs would be approximately \$35,000. Grant Parish will be responsible for 100% of the election costs if the election is held when no state or federal candidate elections are on the ballot; otherwise, the costs would be split between Grant Parish and the State of Louisiana.

Revenue collected as a result of this measure may be used to fund the economic sustainability of Grant Parish and may total approximately \$6,594 per year.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

Beginning in fiscal year 2014, there may be an increase in local fund revenue of \$6,594 per year.

Based on historical collections, the Grant Parish Tourist Commission estimates that increasing the hotel occupancy tax to 8% may increase collections by approximately \$6,594 per year.

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| <u>Senate</u> | <u>Dual Referral Rules</u> | <u>House</u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S} | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | |

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