

## OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB 1118** HLS 14RS 2189

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**Opp. Chamb. Action: w/ SEN COMM AMD

Proposed Amd.: Sub. Bill For.:

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**Dept./Agy.:** St. Tammany Parish Taxing Authorities

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**Subject:** Public Hearing Requirements

TAX/AD VALOREM TAX RE1 INCREASE LF EX See Note Page 1 of 1 Changes requirements for public hearings at which millage adjustments are considered by certain taxing authorities

**Purpose of Bill:** This bill requires non-elected taxing authorities to have a public meeting with the parish governing authority before any vote by the taxing authority to approve an increase in millage (Ad Valorem taxes R.S. 47:1705) for the ensuing year above the amount levied in the immediately preceding year. This measure applies to any parish with a population between 230,000 and 250,000 (currently St. Tammany).

EXPENDITURES	<u>2014-15</u>	<u> 2015-16</u>	<u> 2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>	<u> 2018-19</u>	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	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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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**

Local governmental expenditures may increase for the parish and non-elected taxing authorities impacted as a result of the public meetings required by this measure.

In order to discuss/address proposed millage increases from approximately 40 taxing authorities within the parish, the St. Tammany Parish Finance Director estimated that the parish may have to hold an additional 4 meetings per year to comply with this measure. Parish expenditures may increase by approximately \$4,000 annually (4 additional meetings annually at a cost of \$1,000, per meeting).

Non-elected taxing authorities to which this bill applies may incur additional expenses to attend an additional public meeting, such as costs for accounting/legal advisors. A representative of one fire protection district said that fees for such services would be approximately \$220.00/hr.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

<u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >= \$	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> :100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S8	House	Ml.	6.	Battle
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