

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB** 87 HLS 15RS 565

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Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

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Dept./Agy.: Statewide

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Subject: Equal Pay for Women

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EMPLOYMENT
Provides for equal pay for women

Under <u>present law</u>, known as the LA Equal Pay For Women Act, women employed as public employees of the state of LA are entitled to the same compensation as men employed as public employees. <u>Proposed law</u> extends the LA Equal Pay For Women Act to all women employed in the state. <u>Proposed law</u> extends the definition of employer under the LA Equal Pay For Women Act to include an individual, partnership, corporation, association, business, trust, person, labor organization, or entity for whom fifteen or more employees are gainfully employed within the state and includes the state of LA, any state officer, any department or agency, any unit of local government, and any school district. <u>Proposed law</u> provides that the employee may institute a civil suit in any district court of competent jurisdiction. <u>Proposed law</u> provides the employee may bring any action to recover from the employer may be filed in a district court of competent jurisdiction.

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EXPENDITURES	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	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	SEE BELOW					
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

This proposed legislation may increase local governmental expenditures by an indeterminable amount as a result of civil suits and recovery actions filed by employees towards an employer alleging pay inequality based on sex under this measure. To the extent the proposed legislation increases the number of pay inequality lawsuits filed in district courts, an indeterminable increase in court costs associated with judicial workload, time and attendance (presence of judges, clerks, bailiffs, counsel, etc.) may result.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

<u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >= 9	Dual Referral Rules	House &H}		Brasseaux
	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee		Evan Brassea Staff Director	