

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB** 174 SLS 15RS 308

Bill Text Version: ORIGINAL

Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.:

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**Dept./Agy.:** Supreme Court/Judicial

Subject: Residential Lease Agreements and Domestic Abuse Victims

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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1 Provides certain accommodations upon reasonable documentation presented by domestic abuse victims who lease residential dwellings. (8/1/15)

<u>Proposed law</u> applies only to a lease agreement for a residential dwelling consisting of: (1) a single-family house leased by an owner who owns three or more single-family homes at any one time; or (2) rooms or units in dwellings occupied by four or more families living independently of each other. Under the <u>proposed law</u>, lease agreements cannot waive or limit a tenant's call for law enforcement help in a domestic violence situation, or make tenants pay for such calls. <u>Proposed law</u> prohibits an owner from refusing to enter into a lease agreement or terminating a lease agreement solely because the person is a victim of domestic violence. <u>Proposed law</u> provides for the following accommodations for a victim of domestic violence: early termination with deposit return and bifurcation (landlord may evict the abuser but not the victim of the domestic violence). <u>Proposed law</u> provides for a "Certification of Domestic Abuse" form. <u>Proposed law</u> does not limit an owner from remedies provided under C.C.P. Art 4701 (Eviction of Tenants and Occupants) unrelated to domestic abuse. <u>Proposed law</u> provides for civil action for enforcement of rights granted in proposed law in state district court within 2 years.

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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	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
Annual Total \$0		<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	\$0
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
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Annual Total	\$0	<b>\$0</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. Under existing law (LA R.S. 40:506(D)), local housing authorities provide special protections for victims of domestic abuse.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

Change {S&H}

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

<u>Senate</u>	Dual Referral Rules	<u>House</u>	6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}	John D. Capater
13.5.1 >=	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S	&H}	$\Box$ 6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 Rev. Red. to State {H & S}	
13.5.2 >=	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee			John D. Carpenter
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or a Net Fee Decrease {S}