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Fiscal Note On: **HB 105** HLS 15RS 154

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For .:

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Dept./Agy.: Twenty-Fourth Judicial District

Subject: Commissioners Fees

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EG +\$53,000 LF RV See Note

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Provides for an increase in commissioners fees in the Twenty-Fourth Judicial District Court

Purpose of Bill: This measure authorizes judges of the 24th Judicial District Court (JDC) to increase commissioner fees for all persons convicted of a felony or misdemeanor offense from an amount not to exceed \$100 to an amount not to exceed \$125. The increase in fees would not apply to convictions for traffic violations under Title 32 of the Louisiana Revised Statues of 1950 or under the ordinances adopted by the governing authority of Jefferson Parish.

As required by state law, the 24th JDC submitted a proposal to the Judicial Review Council to review their proposed increase in commissioner fees. The Judicial Review Council has reviewed their proposal and found that the proposed costs appear to meet the applicable guidelines.

EXPENDITURES	<u>2015-16</u>	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
REVENUES	<u> 2015-16</u>	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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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>\$53,000</u>	<u>\$53,000</u>	<u>\$53,000</u>	<u>\$53,000</u>	<u>\$53,000</u>	<u>\$265,000</u>
Annual Total	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$53,000	\$265,000

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

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

REVENUE EXPLANATION

This measure may increase local governmental revenues for the 24th JDC by approximately \$53,000 annually.

An official with the 24th JDC estimated that the average collection for the past five years was \$212,672 annually for a total of approximately 2,127 cases annually. If this measure is enacted, commissioner fees are anticipated to increase from \$100 to \$125 for a total increase of \$53,000 annually ($$25 \times 2,127$ cases).

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