

## **LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**Fiscal Note

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

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED** 

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 **Analyst:** Patrice Thomas

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RE 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 and leases more than three single-family homes at any one time; or (2) rooms or units in dwellings by more than four 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 one (1) year.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<u>2015-16</u>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<u>2018-19</u>	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	<b>\$0</b>	<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
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## **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**

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

<u>Senate</u> 13.5.1 >= 9	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S{	House &H}		Brasseaux
13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}		Evan Brassea Staff Director		