

## OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **SB** 237 SLS 15RS

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Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED** 

Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For .:

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**Dept./Agy.:** City Court and Constables

**Subject:** Provides for civil jurisdiction and authority of constables

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Provides for the jurisdictional limitation of certain city courts and the authority of constables of the First and Second City

Court of New Orleans and their deputies. (gov sig)

**Purpose of Bill**: This bill increases the limitation for civil jurisdiction in the City Court of Ville Platte. This measure provides that civil jurisdiction in the City Court of Ville Platte is concurrent with the district court in cases where the amount in dispute, or the value of property involved, does not exceed \$25,000. Current law sets this amount at \$15,000.

The bill also provides for the powers of peace officers, power to make arrests, and exemption from liability for the constables of the First and Second City Court of New Orleans.

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

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There will be no overall impact to expenditures from this measure. Due to some cases being heard in city court rather than district court, expenditures may shift from one court to the other.

According to the constable of the First City Court of New Orleans, there will be no fiscal impact to the constable from this measure. We assume this to also be true for the constable of the Second City Court of New Orleans.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

**The fiscal impact of this measure is indeterminable.** This change may result in future civil cases being filed in a city court rather than in the district court which may shift revenue from one court to the other.

A representative of the City Court of Ville Platte stated that there is no way to know the fiscal impact because it is unknown how many cases may shift to city court rather than district court.

According to the constable of the First City Court of New Orleans, there will be no fiscal impact to the constable from this measure. We assume this to also be true for the constable of the Second City Court of New Orleans.

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