



OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR
Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: HB 846 HLS 15RS 1989
Bill Text Version: ENGROSSED
Opp. Chamb. Action:
Proposed Amd.:
Sub. Bill For.: HB 202

Date: May 20, 2015 12:39 PM
Author: ORTEGO
Dept./Agy.: Bayou Vermilion District
Subject: Public Works on Streams and Bayous
Analyst: Bobby Trahan

WATERWAYS EG +\$79,000 LF EX See Note Page 1 of 1
Provides relative to the authority of the Bayou Vermilion District to perform public works on streams and bayous in other parishes.

Purpose of Bill: Would change the entity name from "Lafayette Parish Bayou Vermilion District" to "Bayou Vermilion District". Would allow the district to undertake any work it deems necessary to improve water quality and to remove obstructions to natural water flow in Bayou Vermilion within Lafayette Parish, Bayou Carencro, and Evangeline Canal. No political subdivision of the state shall restrict public access to Evangeline Canal unless the restriction is approved by the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment and the Senate Committee on Natural Resources.

Table with 7 columns: EXPENDITURES, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 5 -YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

Table with 7 columns: REVENUES, 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 5 -YEAR TOTAL. Rows include State Gen. Fd., Agy. Self-Gen., Ded./Other, Federal Funds, Local Funds, and Annual Total.

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local fund expenditures may increase as a result of this bill.

An official with the district indicated they did not foresee any increase in expenditures during the first year because they would only be surveying the new areas and taking water samples, which is part of their normal operations. They foresee the hiring of two new employees in the second year along with the purchase of a new boat and motor. Increases in years three through five are attributed to the salaries for the new employees and maintenance costs on the boat and motor.

The new employees would work with the existing employees to clear trash, limbs, and other items from Bayou Vermilion, Bayou Carencro, and Evangeline Canal.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

- Senate Dual Referral Rules House
13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}
13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}
6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
6.8(F)(2) >= \$500,000 Rev. Red. to State {H & S}
6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

Signature of Michael G. Battle
Michael G. Battle
Manager, Advisory Services