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DISTRICTS/TAXING

Creates the Lafourche Arc Taxing District

Dept./Agy.: Lafourche Arc Taxing District

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Purpose of Bill: This measure creates the Lafourche Arc Taxing District as a political subdivision of the state of Louisiana and provides for services, training, advocacy, resources, and community connections to individuals with developmental disabilities within the boundaries of the district. The district shall include all of wards one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, and eleven of the parish. The proposed law authorizes the District's Board of Commissioners to levy and collect an ad valorem tax not to exceed two mills on the dollar of assessed valuation upon all taxable immovable property situated within the boundaries of the district. The ad valorem tax would be subject to voter approval in accordance with the Louisiana Election Code. The district will be governed by a seven-member board and each member shall serve without compensation.

EXPENDITURES	<u> 2015-16</u>	2016-17	<u>2017-18</u>	2018-19	<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	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$619,500</u>	<u>\$619,500</u>	<u>\$619,500</u>	<u>\$619,500</u>	<u>\$2,478,000</u>
Annual Total	\$0	\$619,500	\$619,500	\$619,500	\$619,500	\$2,478,000
REVENUES	<u> 2015-16</u>	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Local expenditures may increase by approximately \$619,500 annually as a result of this measure.

The funds would provide for services, training, advocacy, resources and community connections for individuals with developmental disabilities within the boundaries of the district.

This measure would require the district to hold an election on the ad valorem tax in Wards 1-9 and 11. Information obtained from the Secretary of State's Office indicated that if the district holds the election on its own, the cost would be approximately \$70,000; if it is held at the time of a statewide election, its cost would be approximately \$3,500.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

If approved by the voters, a 2 mill tax would provide approximately \$619,500 annually starting in fiscal year 2016-17.

Per an official with the Lafourche Arc, this tax would not go to a vote of the people until late fall of 2015. Therefore, the tax would not be placed on the tax roll and collected until the 2016-17 fiscal year.

Information obtained from the Lafourche Parish Assessors Office indicated the taxable value of all immovable property in Wards 1-9 and 11 is \$309,747,096.

 $6.8(F)(1) >= $100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}$ **Senate Dual Referral Rules** <u>House</u> **X** 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} $6.8(F)(2) >= $500,000 \text{ Rev. Red. to State } \{H \& S\}$

> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increaseor a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or FeeChange {S&H}