

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE Fiscal Note

Fiscal Note On: **HB** 472 HLS 16RS 1231

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Opp. Chamb. Action: Proposed Amd.:

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**Dept./Agy.:** Louisiana State Board of Architectural Examiners

**Subject:** Relative to La. Architecture Education and Research Fund

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Provides relative to the Louisiana Architecture Education and Research Fund

Present law enumerates the powers and authority of the Louisiana State Board of Architectural Examiners (the Board).

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the board to allocate up to 10% of license renewal and delinquency fees collected each fiscal year to a new fund: the Louisiana Architecture Education and Research Fund. The fund seeks to better prepare students for internships and future careers as architects. <u>Proposed law</u> limits the fund's uses to one or more of the following purposes: Integration of practice and education in the professional National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) degree curriculum; implementation of path to licensure to obtain an architectural license upon graduation from a NAAB-accredited degree program; facilitation of enrollment and completion of training requirements for the Intern Development Program by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards; assistance of students and interns preparing to take the Architectural Registration Exam; methods for raising awareness of the responsibilities of architects and of the ways that public health, safety, and welfare are impacted by architects. <u>Proposed law</u> requires an accredited university architectural program to submit an annual proposal and budget to be considered for any award from the board. <u>Proposed law</u> requires the board to submit an annual report to the appropriate legislative oversight.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	SEE BELOW					
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						
REVENUES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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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>	\$0	\$0	\$0

## **EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

<u>Proposed law</u> allows the Board to dedicate up to 10% of agency SGR related to license renewal and delinquency fees collected to a new fund named the Louisiana Architecture Education and Research Fund. The LFO assumes this fund will be a sub-account within the Board's SGR account. <u>Proposed law</u> does not appear to create a state statutory dedication. The Board estimates a fee collection amount of \$461,744 in FY 17. The Board's estimate derives from license and renewal fees collected from individual architects, professional architectural corporations, architectural-engineering corporations, and limited liability companies. The Board also estimates a 2% annual increase in fee collection revenue.

Deposits into the fund are at the discretion of the board. To the extent 10% of SGR is placed annually into the fund, the Board could utilize these funds for purposes detailed in proposed law.

## **REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

<u>Senate</u>	<u>Dual Referral Rules</u> <u>House</u>		C	Brasseaux
13.5.1 >= 9	\$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}	$\bigcirc$ 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}		
13.5.2 >= 9	\$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee	$\Box$ 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase	Evan Brassea	
Change {S&H}		or a Net Fee Decrease {S}	Staff Director	