**JOB DESCRIPTION – Legislative Economist/Revenue Forecaster**

JOB TITLE

Can be filled as Legislative Economist/Chief Legislative Economist/Revenue Analyst

SALARY

Competitive dependent on level of experience and credentials.

**\*See special application instructions for this non-Civil Service position at the bottom of this posting.\***

The Louisiana Legislative Fiscal Office is seeking applicants for a government revenue forecaster and seeks to fill the position as soon as a successful applicant is available. This position can be filled as a Legislative Economist, Chief Legislative Economist or Revenue Analyst. This position may serve as, or provide support to, the chief revenue forecaster for the legislature with responsibility for preparing the state revenue forecast and independently developing comprehensive subject matter expertise in the major state tax revenue areas, such as sales, severance, income and corporate taxes. This position works with national, state and local entities and conducts independent research to gather and analyze data to provide revenue forecasting and legislative impact analyses for the Louisiana Legislature to use in making informed policy decisions.

**This position requires frequent and significant compensated overtime before and during legislative sessions (typically February through June of each year).**

SUPERVISION RECEIVED

Direct supervision from the Revenue Section Director. Broad review from the Legislative Fiscal Officer.

SUPERVISION EXERCISED

Intermittent project supervision over economists and/or revenue analysts.

LOCATION OF WORK

18th Floor of the State Capitol

JOB DESCRIPTION

Performs in-depth, independent reviews and analyses of economics trends, conditions and events impacting the state’s revenue and tax structure. Formulates revenue forecasts using econometric modeling and other analytical tools. Prepares both short- and long-range state revenue estimates on behalf of the legislature.  Provides economic counsel to legislators and appropriate legislative committees on finance and taxation matters. Works with the Department of Revenue and other administrative agencies to evaluate revenue trends and the impact of proposed legislation.  Analyzes proposed legislation to determine five-year impacts on state and/or local revenues as well as expenditure impacts. This position requires the ability to work independently to draft deliverable documents at “final quality” level with minimal supervisory review.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

Examples below are a brief sample of common duties, not all possible tasks are included.

Independently become a subject matter expert on Louisiana’s tax code, capable of credible policy analysis and forecasting.

Monitor, interpret and evaluate state and federal legislation/policy to determine the impact on revenue forecasts. Conduct thorough, independent reviews of economic trends, events and conditions; especially those impacting state revenue and tax structure.

Produce forecasts for multiple state revenue sources based on multiple variables.

Prepare formal, timely fiscal notes and fiscal and economic impact statements detailing potential revenue gains or losses associated with proposed legislation and administrative rules respectively.

Appear and testify before legislative committees on matters pertaining to state revenues and fiscal notes, sometimes without specific preparation.

Monitor state revenue collections, audits and media reports to maintain situational awareness regarding potential issues requiring legislative awareness or oversight.

May perform or supervise preparation of fiscal, budgetary, and legal research and analysis on select state department budgets, revenues and program activities, preparation of written and graphical reports, and formulation of comparative and historical analyses.

May confer with agency personnel to compile data and develop appropriate technical and substantive knowledge of revenues.

Perform related duties as assigned.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Requires a minimum master’s degree in economics, agricultural economics, or a related field. A minimum baseline of technical skills may be demonstrated with a master’s degree or higher in related fields that include 9 or more hours of graduate-level econometrics, statistics or quantitative modeling. A successful candidate must have a demonstrated ability to perform independent economic research and analysis, commensurate with at least two years of experience in applied economics or revenue/taxation forecasting. Candidates should be capable of independently developing, operating and evaluating econometric models and output. All candidates must possess excellent English oral and written communication skills and ability to effectively present to, and liaise with, both technical and non-technical stakeholders in public settings, at times without specific preparation.

PREFERRED ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

A PREFERRED CANDIDATE WILL POSSESS FOUR YEARS OF DEMONSTRABLE PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN ONE OR MORE OF THE ACTIVITIES LISTED BELOW:

Tax revenue analysis/forecasting and policy interpretation.

Application of economic impact study tools or methodologies.

Evaluating and analyzing macroeconomic indicators for use in forecasting and explaining policy impacts.

Program evaluation/treatment effect estimation.

BENEFITS

Competitive salary (dependent on experience and qualifications), state defined benefit pension system participation, health plan, paid time off (new state employees start at 12 days annual and 12 days sick leave per year, plus approximately 10 state holidays per year), and available participation in the state’s deferred compensation program. This position allows a limited flexible work schedule outside of legislative sessions.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply, please submit a letter of interest, resume, and completed employment application (see below) to the Legislative Fiscal Office at fiscaloffice@legis.la.gov by October 31, 2025. Applications can also be submitted by mail to arrive prior to November 1, 2025: Legislative Fiscal Office, ATTN: Revenue/Economist Job Posting, P.O. Box 44097, Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4097. Failure to provide sufficient evidence of qualifications in your resume may result in a “not qualified” determination. You can direct questions to Rachael Feigley or Alan Boxberger by e-mail or at 225-342-7233.

The employment application can be found on the Legislative Fiscal Office website at <http://lfo.louisiana.gov/employmentapplication>.