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# LB 305

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Revised to include Veterans Affairs response.

# FISCAL NOTE

## LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2015-16</b>		<b>FY 2016-17</b>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS	See below		See below	
TOTAL FUNDS				

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

Current statutes provide that the investment income from the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund may be spent to furnish food, shelter, fuel, wearing apparel, medical or surgical aid, and to assist with funeral expenses of veterans. LB 305 would add "transportation" to the list of eligible expenses.

Since the amount of money available for aid distributed to veterans is limited to the amount of investment income generated off of the Nebraska Veterans' Aid Fund, the addition of transportation expenses to the list may not increase overall expenditures for aid, but it could limit the amount of money that can be spent on the other categories of assistance.

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**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup>

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

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**ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
CASH FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
FEDERAL FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
OTHER FUNDS	<u>*\$50,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>*\$75,000</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>	<b><u>0</u></b>

Explanation of Estimate: The Nebraska Veterans Aid (NVA) is available for temporary and unforeseen emergencies and exists as a short-term and long-term fund administered by the Nebraska Investment Council. Funds are expended from the short term fund to pay for food, shelter, fuel (utilities), wearing apparel, medical and funeral expenses. Historical expenditures are as follows:

FY12 \$ 750,507.68

FY13 \$1,120,090.68

FY14 \$1,158,541.66

As a new category of emergency aid, "transportation" as a broad term is difficult to identify for financial impact as it could potentially include such items as air fare, vehicle purchases and repair, cab fare, bus tickets or bus passes, gasoline or train tickets, just to name a few.

\*In an effort to quantify "transportation", NDVA estimates \$50,000 FY 15-16 and \$75,000 FY 16-17 just for fuel and vehicle repairs.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2015-16 EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2016-17 EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>15-16</u>	<u>16-17</u>		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
<b>TOTAL.....</b>				