

Revised based on amendments adopted through 4-10-17

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2017-18		FY 2018-19	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS			\$65,941	\$67,500
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS			\$65,941	\$67,500

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

This bill provides an improved definition of the diseases for which all infants are screened. The Department of Health and Human Services is currently authorized to charge a fee of up to \$10 for these screenings; the bill authorizes the fee to be up to \$20. The fee is used to pay the costs for the central data registry; tracking; monitoring; referral; quality assurance; program operation, development, and evaluation and treatment. The bill as amended adds additional conditions to mandatory screening of infants. The operative date is July 1, 2018.

The Department of Health and Human Services would need a community health educator to develop reporting and follow-up protocols, lab results reporting, reporting letter, parental and health care professional educational materials starting in FY 2019. The cost would be \$65,941 CF in FY 2019. To cover only the costs associated with adding the additional mandatory screenings, the fee would need to be increased by \$2.50.

LB⁽¹⁾ 91 AM331 AM858 FISCAL NOTE

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

State Agency or Political Subdivision Name:(2) Department of Health and Human Services

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	FY 2017-2018		FY 2018-2019	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS			\$79,841	\$79,841
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$79,841	\$79,841

Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 91 would clarify language on newborn disease screening in existing statute by removing the term “metabolic” and replacing it with “inherited or congenital infant or childhood-onset” where appropriate and by defining pharmaceutically manufactured foods.

Additionally, LB 91 would permit the Department of Health and Human Services to increase the administration fee collected by the laboratory contracted for screening from \$10 up to \$20. The fee may be used to pay the costs of the central data registry, tracking, monitoring, referral, quality assurance, program operation, program development, program evaluation, and treatment services authorized under Neb. Rev. Stat. § 71-519 to 71-523. With approximately 27,000 annual births in Nebraska, the maximum fee increase would generate up to an additional \$270,000 in revenue.

AM 331 incorporates the language of LB 401. AM 331 would add three conditions to the mandatory newborn screening prescribed in § 71-519.

The Department would engage in planning, development, and implementation of screening for the three diseases. Staff time will be required to develop reporting and follow-up protocols, lab result reporting language, result reporting letters, parent information fact sheets, education for hospitals and health care professionals, and update the lab data system.

The Department would require 1.00 FTE Community Health Educator. This note assumes the administration fee collected by the contracting laboratory would be increased to offset increased personnel expenses.

AM 858 clarifies language regarding storage of reported data for the program. This has no fiscal impact to the Department. Additionally, AM 858 adds Sec. 5, establishing an operative date of July 1, 2018, for the bill’s provisions.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:	POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2017-2018	2018-2019
		17-18	18-19	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
	Community Health Educator	0.00	1.00		\$45,126
	Benefits.....				\$14,815
	Operating.....				\$19,990
	Travel.....				
	Capital Outlay.....				
	Aid.....				
	Capital Improvements.....				
	TOTAL.....			\$0	\$79,841