

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2021-22		FY 2022-23	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$10,988 to \$32,963		\$10,988 to \$32,963	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$10,988 to \$32,963		\$10,988 to \$32,963	

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

This bill updates the state's adoption statutes. It incorporates and defines all categories of fathers identified by the Supreme Court in case law and increases the time for a putative father to file an objection to an adoption.

The Supreme Court will have minor expenses related to judicial education which will be handled within their existing resources.

The Department of Health and Human Services estimates this could delay the adoption of some children in the child welfare system. The delay on average could be between five to 15 days. The average daily rate for foster care is \$29.30. The department estimates that up to 75 children per year could experience delays. The range of additional costs is \$10,988 up to \$32,963 annually.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 245	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Supreme Court	
REVIEWED BY: Ann Linneman	DATE: 1-27-2021	PHONE: (402) 471-4180	
COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Nebraska Supreme Court's assessment of fiscal impact.			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 245	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	
REVIEWED BY: Ann Linneman	DATE: 1-26-2021	PHONE: (402) 471-4180	
COMMENTS: The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services' analysis and estimate of fiscal impact to the department appears reasonable.			

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LB⁽¹⁾ 245

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Supreme Court

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Eric Asboe Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 1/26/2021 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-326-9215

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2021-22</u>		<u>FY 2022-23</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

Minimal fiscal impact to provide education for judges and court staff. Impact on judicial workload unknown at this time. No additional resources required.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
	<u>21-22</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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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Date Prepared 1-25-2021

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	<u>FY 2021-2022</u>		<u>FY 2022-2023</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$ 32,963		\$ 32,963	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$ 32,963	\$ 0	\$ 32,963	\$ 0

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 245 extends the timeframe for objection to adoption. Department staff workload for cases involving children who are born out of wedlock may increase. An estimate of 75 youth per year could have a delay in permanency because of the father's identity being unknown at the time adoption filings are submitted. The delay in the date of the adoption hearing would result in the child remaining in the Department's care five to fifteen additional days. The average rate of \$29.30 per day for 75 youth could increase state maintenance payments \$10,988 for five additional days up to \$32,963 for fifteen additional days for SFY 2022 and SFY 2023.

The bill also replaces the term biological father with putative father in the Department's registry.

AJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2021-2022	2022-2023
	POSITION TITLE	21-22	22-23	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....			\$ 32,963	\$ 32,963
Capital Improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$ 32,963	\$ 32,963