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LB 328

Revision: 01

Updated for 2024 Legislative Session

FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2024-25		FY 2025-26	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000	

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

LB 328 requires the Attorney General to establish the Office of Liaison for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons. The office shall be staffed with a full-time specialist who shall serve as the liaison among local, state, tribal, and federal entities involved in reporting or investigating such cases.

The Attorney General estimates the cost of hiring the required specialist will be \$96,049 in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$99,504 in fiscal year 2024-25. The Attorney General does not provide an estimate for any related start-up costs (e.g., computer, desk, etc.) nor possible travel expenses. It is assumed that any costs in addition to the salary and benefit estimates provided will be absorbed within current budgetary resources. There is no basis to disagree with the Attorney General's estimate.

The Nebraska Indian Commission estimates \$10,000 per year to address support issues related to the duties contained in LB 328. This would include items such as travel and mileage reimbursements. This estimate appears to be reasonable.

While the above-mentioned costs are associated with LB 328, funding for the position in the Attorney General's Office was included in the Mainline Budget Bill (LB 814 – 2023). Since the funding is in place, and the position is filled, the Attorney General updated the fiscal impact to reflect a new cost of \$0. There is no basis to disagree with this estimate because no other costs were identified.

The Nebraska Indian Commission did not respond to a request for updated fiscal impact. The \$10,000 they originally identified for LB 328 has not been provided. Presumably, that amount is still needed, if LB 328 moves forward.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 328	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Attorney General	
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COMMENTS: No reason to dispute the Attorney General agency's assessment of no additional fiscal impact.			

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LB⁽¹⁾ 328

FISCAL NOTE

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2024-25</u>		<u>FY 2025-26</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:

The Legislature has already appropriated funds necessary for the position of liaison for missing and murdered indigenous persons as it intended under Section 1, Subsection 4 of the Judiciary Committee's Amendment, AM620 to LB328. The Nebraska Department of Justice now employs the liaison.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____