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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	\$30,057,712		\$60,607	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$30,057,712		\$60,607	

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

This bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to award a one-time grant to assist a rehabilitation hospital that has a distinct nursing facility, that is located in Nebraska, and has capacity to provide post-acute long-term care to Medicaid patients. The grant amount is \$30 million, designated specifically for infrastructure and facilities upgrades.

DHHS would require additional staff to oversee the application process and support the program. Total cost of staffing amounts to \$57,712 in FY25 and \$60,607 in FY26. There is no basis to disagree with the agency’s staffing estimate.

The bill contains an emergency clause, and therefore work on the program can begin upon passage. However, the bill requires the grant to be expended no later than December 21, 2026.

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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	<u>FY 2024-2025</u>		<u>FY 2025-2026</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$30,057,712	\$0	\$60,607	\$0
CASH FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL FUNDS	\$30,057,712	\$0	\$60,607	\$0

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 451 requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to award \$30 million to a rehabilitation hospital that has the capacity to provide post-acute long-term care to Medicaid patients. The funds are to be used for infrastructure and facilities upgrades. Funds shall be expended no later than December 31, 2026

LB451 would require an additional 0.5 FTE Program Manager I for the Division of Public Health to oversee the grant application process, provide technical assistance to the grantee, review grantee progress and reports, review payment requests, and initiate the payment process.

In addition to the Program Manager I, there would need to be support from existing staff to implement the program, at levels of approximately 0.1 FTE Administrative Assistant to process payments, and 0.1 FTE supervisor to provide oversight.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2024-2025	2025-2026
	24-25	25-26	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
DHHS Program Manager I (G78791)	0.5	0.5	\$28,288	\$29,707
Administrative Assistant (K01013)	0.1	0.1	\$3,567	\$3,747
Administrative Assistant Supervisor (K01014)	0.1	0.1	\$3,836	\$4,028

Benefits.....	\$12,492	\$13,118
Operating.....	\$9,529	\$10,007
Travel.....	\$0	\$0
Capital Outlay.....	\$0	\$0
Aid.....	\$30,000,000	\$0
Capital Improvements.....	\$0	\$0
TOTAL.....	\$30,057,712	\$60,607