

Updated for the 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				
CASH FUNDS	See below	See below	See below	See below
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See below	See below	See below	See below

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

LB624 amends 81-3710 to place the administration of the Tourism Commission within the Department of Economic Development, strikes requirements for membership of the commission, and establishes a director of the Commission who serves at the pleasure of the Director of Economic Development.

FY23-24 appropriation to the Tourism Commission is \$7,525, 272 in Cash Funds, and FY24-25 appropriation is \$7,583,744. The impact of this bill will be a reduction in appropriations to the Tourism Commission with a corresponding increase in the Department of Economic Development.

Tourism Commission's fiscal note is based upon the requested appropriations from its budget request for FY23-24 and FY24-25.

As written, there will be a net zero fiscal impact.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE

LB: 624 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Economic Development

REVIEWED BY: Ryan Walton DATE: 12/18/2023 PHONE: (402) 471-4174

COMMENTS: With the passage of LB 624, the Nebraska Tourism Commission would be an aligned entity within the Department of Economic Development (DED) to continue to promote Nebraska. DED would assume the enacted budget of the agency to continue its administration moving forward. Agency 091's current enacted budget includes base cash appropriation of \$7,525,272 in FY 2023-24 and \$7,583,744 in FY 2024-25. Essentially, this creates a zeroing-out effect with the corresponding offset of revenue and expenditure from one entity to the other.

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LB⁽¹⁾ 624

FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Nebraska Department of Economic Development

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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	\$7,525,272	_____	\$7,583,744	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$7,525,272</u>	_____	<u>\$7,583,744</u>	_____

Explanation of Estimate:

LB624 would place the Nebraska Tourism Commission under the authority of the Nebraska Department of Economic Development. The Director of the Department would appoint the executive director of the commission and set the salary. The executive director is responsible for day-to-day operations and to serve at the pleasure of the Director.

The current base budget for the Nebraska Tourism Commission includes for Program 618 includes the following, which would be absorbed into DED under the provisions of LB624.

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>FY 2023-24</u>	<u>FY 2024-25</u>
Cash	Operations	6,672,672	6,731,144
Cash	Aid	852,600	852,600
Cash Total		7,525,272	7,583,744
PSL	PSL	1,054,000	1,096,297

If the language contained in LB624 stating that “the commission shall be located and staffed within the Department of Economic Development” is to be taken literally, it should be noted that DED does not have the space at the Fallbrook office to house the commission.

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.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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LB⁽¹⁾ 624

FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Nebraska Tourism Commission

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2023-24</u>		<u>FY 2024-25</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	<u>-5,000,000</u>	<u>-5,000,000</u>	<u>-5,000,000</u>	<u>-5,000,000</u>
CASH FUNDS	<u>-10,552,774</u>	<u>-10,552,774</u>	<u>-10,088,244</u>	<u>-10,088,244</u>
FEDERAL FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
OTHER FUNDS	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>-15,552,774</u>	<u>-15,552,774</u>	<u>-15,088,244</u>	<u>-15,088,244</u>

Explanation of Estimate:

Passage of LB624 would essentially eliminate Agency 91, resulting in a zero-out of projected agency revenue and expenditures. Breakdown and projected estimates provided within this fiscal note mirror's agency 91's Biennial Budget request documentation.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Executive Director	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>129,940</u>	<u>135,138</u>
Deputy Director	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>73,139</u>	<u>74,601</u>
Marketing & Communications Specialist III	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>64,861</u>	<u>66,159</u>
Marketing & Communications Specialist II	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>44,772</u>	<u>45,666</u>
Accountant II	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>54,731</u>	<u>55,825</u>
Administrative Programs Officer I	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>40,832</u>	<u>42,465</u>
Economic Development Consultant I	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>466,566</u>	<u>456,681</u>
Travel Counselors	<u>32</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>161,944</u>	<u>162,330</u>
Benefits.....			<u>378,393</u>	<u>379,788</u>
Operating.....			<u>13,160,395</u>	<u>12,692,390</u>
Travel.....			<u>124,601</u>	<u>124,601</u>
Capital outlay.....			<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Aid/Grants.....			<u>852,600</u>	<u>852,600</u>
Capital improvements.....			<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL.....			<u>15,552,774</u>	<u>15,088,244</u>