

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE**

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)</b>				
	<b>FY 2024-25</b>		<b>FY 2025-26</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
GENERAL FUNDS				\$337,000,000
CASH FUNDS			(\$340,000,000)	(\$337,000,000)
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			(\$340,000,000)	\$0

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

Under LB 69, the 70% of the casino gaming tax would be credited to a fund named the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund under the bill. The Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund would be the new name of the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund per the bill.

The bill would change the 40% of the 5% tax of the net operating revenue for each cash device to go to the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund, as well.

The Property Tax Credit Act would be renamed as the Property Tax Assistance Act and the purpose for the Act would be to provide property tax relief for property taxes levied against homesteads.

Under the bill, for tax year 2025, all homesteads in the state would be assessed for taxation the same as other property, except that there would be exempt from taxation of a homestead a dollar amount equal to a percentage of the assessed value of the homestead. Such percentage would be applied statewide and would be determined annually by the Property Tax Administrator based on appropriations to the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund. For tax year, 2025, an owner of a homestead would file an application for the homestead exemption. For tax year 2026 and subsequent tax years, if an owner has been granted the homestead exemption provided in this bill, no reapplication need be filed for succeeding years, in which case the county assessor would determine whether the claimant qualifies for the homestead exemption in such succeeding years as though a claim were made. Sections 77-3501 to 77-3529 and Laws 2024, LB 126, section 3, would apply to the homestead exemption provided in this bill. Reimbursement to counties for the homestead exemption would be made from the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund.

The State Treasurer would transfer from the General Fund to the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund \$90 million by August 1, 2025.

The Legislature would have the power to transfer funds from the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund to the General Fund.

We estimate an increase to General Fund revenue in FY26 of \$337 million as the \$90 million transfer under the bill is \$337 million less than the \$427 million currently planned to be transferred to the Property Tax Credit Fund (would be renamed to Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund) for FY26 under the bill. The \$90 million is also \$340 million less than the \$430 million currently estimated to be expended from that fund in FY26 so the Cash Fund expenditure reduction for FY26 is \$340 million. For FY27 and after, there is no additional General Fund transfer to the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund under the bill. Thus, the casino gaming and cash device tax credited to the Property Tax Assistance Cash Fund would be expended for the homestead relief provided in this bill.

Additionally, we estimate the existing homestead exemption program not being affected under this bill with the homestead exemptions under this bill adding to the current program.

Please complete ALL (5) blanks in the first three lines.

**2024**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 69**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup> NE Racing & Gaming Commission

Prepared by: <sup>(3)</sup> Rita Pracht Date Prepared: <sup>(4)</sup> 7/29/24 Phone: <sup>(5)</sup> 531-310-4536

**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:

No fiscal impact

**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.....	_____	_____	_____	_____