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**LB 227**

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# FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT - STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2011-12		FY 2012-13	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	

\*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 227 requires the State Energy Office to develop a specific and long-range state energy assessment. The initial assessment shall begin July 1, 2012 and every two years thereafter. Section 1 of the bill provides that the assessment shall include information regarding production, distribution, consumption and conservation of energy. On or before December 1 every even-numbered year, the Energy Office shall present such assessment to the Legislature.

The Nebraska Energy Office identifies the need for new staff to administer the program. Additional funding would be required to hire contractors to perform the required state-wide assessment. The Energy Office does not offer an estimate of required funding.

It is assumed that the cost of such assessment and staffing would be addressed with General Fund dollars since no mechanism to generate cash funds nor utilization of existing cash funds is addressed in the bill.

Until the Energy Office determines a more firm basis of work to be performed and associated costs that are likely to be incurred, no accurate estimate of costs will be available. In absence of such estimates, it is assumed that any new duties assigned to the agency and required by law will be absorbed within the agency's budgeted resources.

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COMMENTS					
NEBRASKA ENERGY OFFICE: I have no basis to disagree with NEO's statement.					

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**Estimate Provided By State Agency or Political Subdivision**

	FY 2011-2012		FY 2012-2013	
	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue
General Funds				
Cash Funds				
Federal Funds				
Other Funds				
Total Funds				

**Explanation of Estimate:**

The financial impact of this bill is unknown at this time because the function described in Sec. 1 of LB 227 would create a new division of the Nebraska Energy Office. NEO would require additional staff to administer this program. Additional funding would be required to hire a contractor or multiple contractors to complete the state-wide assessment. The NEO does not have sufficient cash fund or General Fund authority for this new function. Given the extensive nature of the study and the industry wide application, contractor costs would be significant.

**Major Objects of Expenditure**

Position Title	Number of Positions		FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	Expenditures	Expenditures