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LB 1029

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FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2014-15		FY 2015-16	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				(27,400,000)
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				(27,400,000)

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

LB 1029 would allow vehicles carrying liquid or dry fertilizer from market to distribution point or from market to the field to exceed weight and length limits under the restrictions specified in the bill. These restrictions include both the distance that these vehicles can be operated and the percentage that they can exceed maximum weight and length limits. A permit would be required.

The Department of Roads has indicated that allowing these vehicles to exceed the current weight and length limits would put Nebraska out of compliance with federal regulations. The estimated penalty for non-compliance is an annual loss of \$27.4 million of federal-aid highway funding. The Department shows this loss starting in FY15-16.

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2014-15</u>		<u>FY 2015-16</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	<u>(\$27,400,000)</u>
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>(\$27,400,00)</u>

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 1029 changes the provisions relating to size, weight and load with respect to vehicles transporting fertilizer. This bill would allow NDOR to issue a permit to a longer combination vehicle transporting fertilizer for a distance up to 150 miles to be up to fifteen percent greater than the maximum weight and up to ten percent greater than the maximum length as specified by law with the exception that any combination of vehicles with two or more cargo-carrying units, excluding truck-tractor, will be limited to transporting fertilizer for a distance of 70 miles.

If this bill passes, the State of Nebraska would be in non-compliance with Federal regulations. This is related to the 1991 Federal Transportation Bill, ISTEA (6-91) which froze the state's exemptions for length and operations of long combination vehicles except for seasonally harvested products with permits up to maximum of 120 days. The penalty for non-compliance is a withholding of 10% of all federal-aid highway funds which is estimated at \$27.4 million in FY15.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2014-15</u>	<u>2015-16</u>
	<u>14-15</u>	<u>15-16</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____