

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2015-16		FY 2016-17	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See below		See below	

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

LB54 provides that the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education is to convene an advisory committee consisting of at least one representative of each public postsecondary educational institution in Nebraska and representatives from other interested postsecondary educational institutions. The commission, in cooperation with the advisory committee, is to develop transfer-of-credit policies that ensure that students who have been awarded an associate of arts degree from a public community college in Nebraska have met all general education requirements at all public colleges and universities and ensure that any course included in the Nebraska Transfer Initiative list of transferable courses as such list existed on January 1, 2015, is to be accepted as partially fulfilling the general education requirements at all public colleges and universities, limited to the credit hours identified in the common core of general education courses in the Nebraska Transfer Initiative.

The bill directs the Commission to develop and maintain a web site, with information supplied by the postsecondary educational institutions, to serve as a guide and resource for students relating to transfer-of-credit policies.

The Coordinating Commission, Nebraska State Colleges and Metropolitan Community College indicate that provisions of the bill represent no fiscal impact.

The University of Nebraska indicates that (in conjunction with the state colleges, community colleges and tribally controlled community colleges) a product has already been purchased with University of Nebraska P-16 funds that will provide transfer-of-credit web site functionality which LB54 directs the Coordinating Commission to develop and maintain. The University indicates that there is a fiscal impact to the University to continue to provide the technology to the institutions referenced above including annual renewal of the software license for the product mentioned above, technical support, further development of a related University central website, and ongoing assistance and training. However, it would appear that such an impact would exist in absence of the provisions of LB54.

The University indicates that assignment of central transfer-of-credit web site responsibilities to the Coordinating Commission as provided by LB54 may result in redundant or duplicative technology and could necessitate new or additional software or transfer of the University-licensed software/technology to the Coordinating Commission. The University indicates that any related impact is currently indeterminate.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES		
LB: 54	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska State Colleges
REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush	DATE: 1/23/15	PHONE: 471-4161
COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the estimate of impact by the University.		

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES		
LB: 54	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: University of Nebraska
REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush	DATE: 1/21/15	PHONE: 471-4161
COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the estimate of impact by the University.		

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES		
LB: 54	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education
REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush	DATE: 1/16/15	PHONE: 471-4161
COMMENTS: Estimate of impact appears to be reasonable.		

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES		
LB: 54	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Metropolitan Community College
REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush	DATE: 1/16/15	PHONE: 471-4161
COMMENTS: Concur.		

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Nebraska State College System (NSCS)

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Carolyn Murphy

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 1/15/2014

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-2505

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>No Impact</u>	_____	<u>No Impact</u>	_____

Explanation of Estimate:

The NSCS is in the midst of implementing a software called "Transfer Evaluation System (TES)" to address this issue. The P-16 initiative is currently covering the cost of TES for all Nebraska Institutions. If that cost continues to be covered by the P-16 initiative, we do not anticipate an additional fiscal impact to the NSCS.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
	<u>15-16</u>	<u>16-17</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Gary Timm

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 1/11/14

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 471-0020

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Explanation of Estimate:

LB54 requires the commission to develop and maintain a web site from information provided by the institutions that will serve as a guide and resource for students relating to transfer-of-credit policies. It is estimated creation and maintenance of the web site will be minimal and can be accomplished within the existing appropriations of the Commission.

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Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2) University of Nebraska

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
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FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

No fiscal impact, based on the current language.

The University P-16, in conjunction with the State Colleges and Community and Tribal Colleges, has purchased a product with limited P-16 funds that will already provide the transfer website functionality suggested in the LB. There is a fiscal impact to the University to continue to provide the technology to the 16 public higher education institutions, including annual renewal of the software license, technical support, and further development of the central website housed at the Nebraska Student Information System (NeSIS), and ongoing assistance and training. Continuation of these services to all 16 institutions would be possible if the University were to be authorized by the bill, instead of CCPE, and provided fiscal support to maintain and enhance the technology.

Should CCPE be charged with recreating the technology, as currently written, funding provisions will need to be made for the new/additional software and/or transfer of the University technology. This cost is undeterminable without knowing what the CCPE would develop or buy.

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Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Metropolitan Community College

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾

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Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾

1/13/2015

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
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OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

No Fiscal Impact

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Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____