

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

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2016-17</b>		<b>FY 2017-18</b>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	See below		See below	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

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

The current public transportation assistance program provides grants to transit operators equal to 50% of eligible **operating** costs. LB 799 would expand this program to include eligible **capital** costs.

Expansion of the program to fund capital costs will not require an increase in the appropriation, which is set by the Legislature at the level they choose, and funded with the Department of Roads Operations Cash Fund. So from an overall appropriation standpoint the bill has no fiscal impact. It will however potentially change the distribution of aid among the transit operators.

Since the current appropriation does not fully fund all aid requests the policy has been to fully fund the aid requests from the rural systems first and then prorate the remaining funding between Omaha (Metro Transit) and Lincoln (Star Tran). Assuming that some of the rural systems will request funding for capital projects the amount of money available for distribution to Omaha Metro Transit and Lincoln Star Tran will be reduced accordingly. The amount of any shift in aid distribution will depend on the rural requests for capital assistance.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSES</b>			
LB: 799	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Roads	
REVIEWED BY: Lee Will		DATE: 1/19/2016	PHONE: 471-4175
COMMENTS: I concur with the Nebraska Department of Roads' statement of no fiscal impact.			

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**2016**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 799**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup>

Nebraska Department of Roads

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**ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>		<u>FY 2017-18</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:**

LB 799 revises Section 13-1209 to include state financial assistance for capital acquisition costs for public transportation systems to the Nebraska Public Transportation Act. The bill defines eligible capital costs for bus and bus-related activities; installing crime prevention and security equipment; and constructing and maintaining passenger facilities.

Department of Roads may adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act to include capital acquisitions. The Department shall annually certify the amount of **capital acquisitions** eligible for funding and report to the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature on or before December 1 of each year funds requested for capital acquisitions.

Per Statute 13-1212, priority of funding shall be given to projects best suited to serve the needs of the elderly and handicapped which NDOR interrupts to be the rural and small urban systems. Lincoln and Omaha share in the remaining funds. This bill could impact the funds available to Lincoln and Omaha if the rural and small urban systems request additional funding for capital acquisitions.

As total funding is part of the annual appropriation process, there would be no fiscal impact on NDOR if this funding level remains constant.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>
	<u>16-17</u>	<u>17-18</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____