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LB 1204

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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2020-21		FY 2021-22	
	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.

LB1204 relates to the Disabled Persons and Family Support Act and amends the act to provide additional supports to families that have children with disabilities, regardless of parental income, to include a pathway to eligibility under the medical assistance program. The bill requires the Department of Health and Human Services to apply for a waiver under the medical assistance program with the intention of establishing a pilot family support program. The bill also defines the definition of a disabled child who would be eligible for the waiver, the maximum amount of the waiver, and stipulates that the pilot project be overseen by the Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities.

DHHS anticipates that additional staff would be necessary to coordinated services for the waiver program and additional service providers would need to be hired. The number of individuals who could be included in the pilot program would be dependent on appropriation to support the program, so the number of additional staff and contractors cannot be determined at this time.

Additionally, the bill does not provide provisions for if the waiver would be denied by CMS. If the waiver was denied, any costs associated with the implementation of the program would have a general fund impact.

There is no basis to disagree with the Department of Health and Human Services estimate of the potential fiscal impact.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB:	1204	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
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COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services' analysis and estimate of fiscal impact.			

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

State Agency or Political Subdivision Name:(2) Department of Health and Human Services

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FY 2020-2021

FY 2021-2022

	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
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Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 1204 mandates that the Division of Developmental Disabilities 1) apply for the family support waiver under the medical assistance program and establish a pilot family support program, 2) provide case management and quality assurance services, 3) establish annual benefit levels for families, 4) establish rules and regulations, 5) provides for the Advisory Committee on developmental Disabilities to oversee the waiver and pilot program, 6) administer a pilot program within the limits of the appropriation, and 7) move the Disabled Persons and Family Support program from the Division of Children and Family Services to the Division of Developmental Disabilities.

The waiver program proposed in this bill is to be overseen by the Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities and regulations would be promulgated in consultation with the committee. The full scope of oversight and administration is not specified.

Additional staff would likely be needed to coordinate services for the waiver program and additional service providers would need to be hired. The bill leaves the number of participants who would be included to be decided by appropriations, so the number of additional staff and contractors that would be needed is not known at this time.

Because the pilot program identified in this bill is not subject to the waiver being approved by CMS, any costs associated with it would be general fund if the waiver is denied.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2020-2021	2021-2022
	20-21	21-22	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
TOTAL.....				