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LB 211

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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2021-22		FY 2022-23	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS		\$300 to \$600		\$0
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS		\$300 to \$600		\$0

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

This bill removes the requirement for massage therapy licensing for the practice of reflexology. Reflexologists instead would be required to be registered on and after October 1, 2021. A reflexologist registry is created. The Board of Massage Therapy would provide supervision and oversight of the registry.

The 407 review estimated there would be approximately 20 individuals who would apply for registration. The creation of the registry and registration of applicants can be handled with existing staff. The estimated registration is estimated to be set between \$15 and \$30.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 211	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	
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COMMENTS: The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services' analysis and estimate of fiscal impact to the department appears reasonable.			

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 2021-2022

FY 2022-2023

	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

LB 211 removes the requirement for massage therapy licensing in order to practice reflexology in the State of Nebraska. Reflexologists would be required to register with the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Licensing Division instead.

LB 211 would require DHHS to create the reflexologist registry and associated credential. For purposes of this estimate, the expectation is that approximately twenty (20) persons would apply for the new registration. This number was previously used during testimony for the 407 review. Due to the education and training requirements necessary to obtain a massage therapy license, we anticipate a few of the current license holders would also register as a reflexologist. Any person registering in between biennial renewal terms, will be assessed a prorated fee as per the Uniform Credentialing Act. It is expected that all registrations and annual confirmations of qualifications would be performed by existing staff.

Administrative tasks required to set up the registry would be performed by existing staff. There will also be costs associated with adding the credential to the existing credentialing software and website. It is estimated that existing staff would spend approximately twenty (20) hours to implement LB 211 and complete registrations in the first year. The total cost estimate for FY21-22 is \$600, with subsequent years beginning FY22-23 to cost \$300.

Revenue Estimate:

LB 211 adds the reflexology registry to the Uniform Credentialing Act under which fees assessed the applicant for registration will be based on the cost of providing the credential. We estimate the registration fee to be set between \$15 - \$30.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2021-2022	2022-2023
	21-22	22-23	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$0	\$0