

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

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)</b>				
	<b>FY 2023-24</b>		<b>FY 2024-25</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
GENERAL FUNDS	See below		See below	
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.**

This bill states legislative intent to appropriate from the General Fund \$3 million in FY24 and \$7 million in FY25 to expand clinical training sites under the Nebraska Center for Nursing Act. The bill also adds to the goals of the Act to include expanding clinical training sites for nurses throughout the state, giving preference to areas that have low numbers of registered nurses per capita compared to the state average with focus on developing programs that:

- a) Incentivize clinical nurses to become clinical nurse faculty,
- b) Incentivize nurse faculty to partner with staff nurses in the development of clinical nurse faculty,
- c) Expand simulation training for nurse clinical education, and
- d) Incentivize hospital facilities to support the center in carrying out its goals.

Additionally, the bill adds to the powers and duties of the Nebraska Center for Nursing Board authority to establish a committee to examine expanding nursing clinical opportunities throughout the state while giving preference to areas that have lower numbers of registered nurses per capita compared to the state average and to establish other committees as needed. Lastly, the bill states the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is to provide additional staff to support the board in carrying out the new goals. DHHS indicates the need for one Nurse Consultant and one Program Specialist Registered Nurse starting in October 2023 which will require \$147,826 in FY24 and \$206,958 in FY25 for Salary and Benefits. Other costs to DHHS to administer the program would be absorbed within agency resources.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSE</b>				
LB:	586	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services	
REVIEWED BY:	Ann Linneman	DATE:	2-15-2023	PHONE: (402) 471-4180
COMMENTS: The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services' analysis and estimate of fiscal impact to the department appears reasonable.				
<u>Technical Note:</u> The current appropriation language is not sufficient to create an appropriation. The fiscal impact assessment assumes an accompanying A-bill articulating appropriation in accordance with §49-804.				

**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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	<u>FY 2023-2024</u>		<u>FY 2024-2025</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
<b>GENERAL FUNDS</b>	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$7,000,000	\$0
<b>CASH FUNDS</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$7,000,000	\$0

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

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB 586 authorizes funding for the Nebraska Center for Nursing to expand clinical training sites through the state for nursing faculty and students with a preference for sites in underserved areas and other programs to encourage clinical training. The Nebraska Center for Nursing Board will be required to establish a committee to examine expanding nursing clinical opportunities throughout the state while giving preference to areas that have lower numbers of registered nurses per capita compared to the state average.

LB 586 appropriates from the general fund \$3,000,000 in FY24 and \$7,000,000 in FY25. This bill does not designate a budget program, or an agency. This fiscal note assumes the total funds required for the program is the amounts stated in FY24 and FY25 and the corresponding A bill will properly separate aid and administrative costs to the correct budget program.

An additional Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Nurse Consultant will be required to administer the new work associated with LB586 in supporting the Committee established by the Nebraska Center for Nursing Board to examine expanding nursing clinical training opportunities throughout the state. An additional DHHS Program Specialist-RN will be necessary to assist the DHHS Nurse Consultant in carrying out this new work.

Procurement, Accounting, and IT would be impacted with additional contracts or grants to award to distribute funds. The department will absorb these costs.

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

PERSONAL SERVICES:	POSITION TITLE	2023-2024		2024-2025	
		23-24	24-25	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
	DHHS Nurse Consultant	0.75	1.0	\$56,038	\$78,454
	DHHS Program Specialist-RN	0.75	1.0	\$53,463	\$74,848
	Benefits.....			\$38,325	\$53,656
	Operating.....			\$2,852,174	\$6,793,042
	Travel.....			\$0	\$0
	Capital Outlay.....			\$0	\$0
	Aid.....			\$0	\$0
	Capital Improvements.....			\$0	\$0
	<b>TOTAL.....</b>			<b>\$3,000,000</b>	<b>\$7,000,000</b>