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LB 554

Revision: 00

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2023-24		FY 2024-25	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$2,100,000		\$2,100,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$2,100,000		\$2,100,000	

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate. LB 554 will appropriate \$2,100,000 from the General Fund for fiscal year 2023-2024 and \$2,100,000 for fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Commission on Public Advocacy, Program 425, Operations.

Revenue:

The Commission on Public Advocacy states that the appropriation will be used for expenses incurred for expert witnesses, travel and other expenses for the cases assigned.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE		
LB: 554	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy (094)
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COMMENTS: LB 554 appropriates \$2,100,000 General Funds in both FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 to the Commission on Public Advocacy, Program 425 – Operations. The Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy estimate of Potential Fiscal Impact to the Agency from LB 554 reflects \$2,100,000 in General Fund Revenue in both FY 2023-24 and FY 2024-25 and, per the language in the bill, it should actually be reflected as General Fund Appropriation for Expenditures, rather than Revenues.		

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LB⁽¹⁾ LB 554

FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ NE Commission on Public Advocacy

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2023-24</u>		<u>FY 2024-25</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	<u>\$2,100,000</u>	_____	<u>\$2,100,000</u>
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	_____	<u>\$2,100,000</u>	_____	<u>\$2,100,000</u>

Explanation of Estimate:

The Commission on Public Advocacy is funded by the Indigent Defense Fee of \$3, which is collected from most cases filed in Nebraska state courts. Revenue from this fee has been declining every year since FY 2008-2009. In FY 2021-2022, revenue from filing fees was \$747,800.75, but expenditures that year were \$1,223,518.08. The Commission’s budget request for FY 2023-2024 is \$1,757,187 and for FY 2024-2025 is \$1,848,090. This bill will appropriate \$2,100,000 for FY 2023-2024 and again for FY 2024-2025. This bill does not include additional PSL, so the Commission will not be able to use the additional revenue to add much needed staff. The Commission will use the additional funds for expenses incurred for expert witnesses, travel and other expenses in the cases for which it is appointed.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____