

FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *

	FY 2007-08		FY 2008-09	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	425,916		421,916	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	425,916		421,916	

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

This bill will change the number of district court judges. The bill has the emergency clause, and is operative on July 1, 2007.

STATE IMPACT: This bill will increase the number of district court judges as follows:

District	Number of Judges		
	Current	Proposed	Increase
4 (Douglas)	16	17	1
2 (Sarpy, Cass, Otoe)	4	5	1
TOTAL			2

The expenditure increase associated with increasing the number of district court judges is estimated in the following table that uses information from the Nebraska Supreme Court (NSC):

ITEMS	FY2007-2008	FY2008-2009	FY2007-2008	FY2008-2009
	Number of Positions		Expenditures	
District Court Judges	2.00	2.00	234,667	234,667
Court Reporters	2.00	2.00	95,305	95,305
Benefits			88,444	88,444
Judicial Education (National Judicial College)			5,000	0
Travel			2,500	3,500
TOTAL	4.00	4.00	425,916	421,916

IMPACT ON POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS: The counties impacted by this bill (see above) may have additional costs for bailiffs (county employees), office space, supplies, furniture, equipment, etc. The amount of these additional costs is unknown at this time.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS					
NEBRASKA SUPREME COURT: No basis to disagree.					