Scott Danigole February 14, 2024 402-471-0055

LB 1203

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)						
	FY 2024-25		FY 2025-26			
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE		
GENERAL FUNDS	\$160,000		\$166,000			
CASH FUNDS						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUNDS						
TOTAL FUNDS	\$160,000		\$166,000			

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

LB 1203 changes provisions of the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Act by requiring qualified political advertisements to include a statement, if applicable, regarding whether the advertisement was generated with artificial intelligence. Certain qualified political advertisements are exempted from such provisions.

The Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission (NADC) estimates the need for one FTE and related operating costs to enforce the provisions of LB 1203. New investigative responsibilities and potentially securing expert advice would be needed. There is no basis to disagree with this estimate.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE					
LB: 1203	B: 1203 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Accountability and Disclosure Commission				
REVIEWED B	Y: Ryan Walton	DATE: 2/14/2024	PHONE: (402) 471-4174		
COMMENTS: The Accountability and Disclosure Commission's assessment of fiscal impact from LB 1203 appears reasonable.					

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LB ⁽¹⁾ 1203				FISCAL NOTE	
State Agency OR Pol	litical Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾	Nebraska Account	ability and Disclosu	re Commission	
Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ David Hunter		Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾	1/26/2024 PI	none: (5) 402-471-2522	
	ESTIMATE PROVI	DED BY STATE AGEN	CY OR POLITICAL SU	BDIVISION	
	<u>FY s</u> EXPENDITURES	2024-25 REVENUE		<u>FY 2025-26</u> EXPENDITURES REVENUE	
GENERAL FUND CASH FUNDS FEDERAL FUNDS OTHER FUNDS			166,000		
TOTAL FUNDS	160,000		166,000		

Explanation of Estimate:

Enactment of this bill could require our office to hire additional staff and/or contract for services from an expert in the field of artificial intelligence and could increase our required resources throughout the litigation process.

Enactment of this bill would place a number of new investigative responsibilities on the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission (NADC). Depending upon the number of complaints which the bill will generate, the NADC may need to obtain additional staff or contract for new services. Because the bill does not mention how the NADC would identify whether artificial intelligence is being used in political advertisements, it may be necessary to obtain expert advice on that subject at potentially significant expense to the NADC. Attempts to determine whether there are false allegations which are generated by artificial intelligence may require extensive and expensive investigations. Investigative determinations of whether speech is inaccurate may also involve constitutional questions leading to further litigation. Because this is a new area of potential investigation, the costs to the NADC are difficult to estimate but could be substantial.

BREAKI	DOWN BY MA.	JOR OBJECTS O	F EXPENDITURE	
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OI <u>24-25</u>	F POSITIONS <u>25-26</u>	2024-25 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	2025-26 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Artificial Intelligence Expert	1	1	95,000	100,000
Benefits			40,000	41,000
Operating			25,000	25,000
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL			160,000	166,000