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LB 355

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

	ESTIMATE OF FISC	CAL IMPACT – ST	ATE AGENCIES *	
	FY 2011-12		FY 2012-13	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	See below		See below	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See below		See below	

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

LB 355 would provide that the Department of Agriculture may employ an agricultural trade representative. It also provides in legislative intent language that the Department seek to fund half of the annual salary and expenditures of the trade representative through cooperative funding secured from private and public entities with interests in expanding and servicing international markets for Nebraska agricultural products.

The Department of Agriculture currently employs an agricultural trade representative. Because the language regarding cooperative funding of the position is stated as legislative intent, it is estimated that the status of the position would not change if the full amount of cooperative funding was not procured. LB 355 does not specify where funding from private or public entities would be deposited if it was procured, but it is estimated that if a Department of Agriculture cash fund was designated, some expenses currently budgeted to General Funds could be assigned to cash funds. The exact amount of General Fund savings could vary annually, based upon donation levels.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS				
AGRICULTUR	E: No basis to dispute	e agency analysis and indeterm	inate fiscal impact relative to the D	epartment of Agriculture.

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Estimate Provided By State Agency or Political Subdivision

	FY 2011-2012		FY 2012-2013	
	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue
General Funds				
Cash Funds				
Federal Funds		_		
Other Funds				
Total Funds	SEE BELOW		SEE BELOW	

Explanation of Estimate:

The Legislative intent of LB 355 is to have the department seek funding for half of the annual salary and expenditures of the agricultural trade representative position through cooperative funding secured from private and public entities with responsibility and interests in expanding and servicing international markets for Nebraska agricultural products.

The fiscal impact for this bill is unknown. Under this concept, the department's priorities will be managed by the commodity entities who do provide funding. If accountability of efforts put forth does not meet the expectations of the commodity group continued funding may not be received, or payment not received. This concept may not allow for equal representation of all Nebraska commodities due to the various sizes and funding of the commodity resulting in opportunities possibly not able to be pursued.

Major Objects of Expenditure

	Number of Positions		FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
Position Title	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	Expenditures	Expenditures
		Benefits		
		Operating	-	
		Travel		
		Capital outlay		
		Aid		
		Capital improvements		
		Total		