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LB 578

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					
CASH FUNDS					
FEDERAL FUNDS					
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL FUNDS					

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

LB 578 provides legislative intent to appropriate an unspecified amount of money from an unspecified fund for FY24 and FY25 to the Auditor of Public Accounts to conduct an audit of all state agencies that were appropriated federal funds from the federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021.

The Auditor estimates the need for two half-time auditors to perform an attestation of ARPA funds allocated to state agencies. There is no basis to disagree with this estimate.

Fiscal notes must be produced to estimate costs associated with proposed legislation as the bill is written or as the bill stands once amendments are adopted. While the Auditor states that "The APA has worked with the Senator and her staff to clarify the intent of LB 578", an estimate of cost based on the *intended* impact of a bill cannot be used. Fiscal notes must be written to capture the fiscal impact of a bill as if it were enacted with its current language.

For this reason, the fiscal impact of LB 578 cannot be determined at this time. If LB 578 is amended to include specific dollar amounts and funding sources, this fiscal note will be updated to reflect those amounts.

	ADMINISTE	RATIVE SERVICES S	STATE BUDGET DIVISION	: REVIEW OF AG	ENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE
LB:	LB: 578 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts				
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COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Auditor of Public Accounts' assessment of fiscal impact.					

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2)		Nebraska Auditor of Public Accounts			
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	ESTIMATE PROVI	DED BY STATE AGEN	ICY OR POLITICAL SUBD	IVISION	
		2023-24	FV 0	2024-25	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	
GENERAL FUNDS	\$89,908		\$89,908		
CASH FUNDS	\$0		\$0		
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$0		\$0		
OTHER FUNDS	\$0		\$0		
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$0</u>		\$0		

Explanation of Estimate:

The APA has worked with the Senator and her staff to clarify the intent of LB578. Federal expenditures are subject to testing as part of the annual Statewide Single Audit. However, the APA would perform an Attestation of ARPA funds allocated to State agencies and determine what, if any, testing is necessary compared to what has been performed as part of the Single Audit. As of January 24, 2023, \$89 million has been spent for fiscal year 2023. If estimated audit costs were calculated based on expenditures, the % cost would be .1%.

BREAKI	OOWN BY MA.	JOR OBJECTS O	F EXPENDITURE	
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS 23-24 24-25		2023-24 EXPENDITURES	2024-25 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Audit Manager	.5	.5	50,000	50,000
Auditor	5	.5	28,000	28,000
Benefits			11,808	11,808
Operating				
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL			89,908	89,908