

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE**

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2021-22</b>		<b>FY 2022-23</b>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$47,076		\$60,436	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$47,076</b>		<b>\$60,436</b>	

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

This bill requires the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Centers (YRTCs) to be licensed by the Division of Public Health within the Department of Health and Human Services.

The license that the YRTCs would need are Residential Child Caring Agency (RCCA). One Child Care Services Inspection Specialist handles the inspections and complaints for all current RCCAs. There are 19 RCCAs located around the state with a total bed capacity of 979 beds. There are currently three facilities that operate as YRTCs. The plan is to open a fourth one in Hastings. The total number of beds once Hastings opens is 234 beds.

The agency estimates two full-time workers, a Child Care/Services Inspection Specialist and an office clerk, would be needed to include the YRTCs under the RCCA's license. Adding the YRTCs under this license requirement would increase the workload for inspections, monitoring and investigating complaints. Additional staff resources would be needed. Since the number of licensed beds is approximately one-third of the current workload, it is unclear if the volume of work would require two FTE as identified in the Department of Health and Human Services fiscal note. One inspection specialist should be adequate. The cost for three-fourths of a year in FY 2022 is \$47,076. The annualized amount in FY 2023 is \$60,436.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE**

LB: 490 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

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COMMENTS: The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services' analysis and estimate of fiscal impact to the department appears reasonable.

**ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

State Agency or Political Subdivision Name:(2) Department of Health and Human Services

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	<u>FY 2021-2022</u>		<u>FY 2022-2023</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
<b>GENERAL FUNDS</b>	\$80,916		\$107,890	
<b>CASH FUNDS</b>				
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>				
<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	\$80,916		\$107,890	

Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB 490 proposes to require the Youth Rehabilitation & Treatment Centers (YRTC) in Nebraska to obtain a license from the Division of Public Health (DPH) of the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The bill lacks specifics on the type of license that a YRTC would be required to obtain or whether a special type of license for a YRTC would need to be created. Of the current available licenses, it appears that the Residential Child Caring Agency license would best fit the YRTC's

There are 3 YRTCs locations that will require licensure. This would create a substantial workload increase for licensure as an RCCA, specifically related to complaints and monitoring of programs. Currently, one Child Care Inspection Specialist conducts all licensure work associated with RCCAs, including annual inspections, fire and sanitation inspection referrals, and complaint investigations. In addition, the same Child Care Inspection Specialist and Program Manager coordinate and maintain all fingerprint criminal background check files for RCCA workers.

Because of the additional facilities and increased workload to program monitor the YRTC's, the Department will need 1 FTE Child Care Services Inspection Specialist and 1 FTE Office Clerk for support to implement this bill.

It is also anticipated that the YRTC's will not incur any additional expense to meet RCCA requirements since they already meet national American Correctional Association accreditations standards.

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2021-2022 EXPENDITURES	2022-2023 EXPENDITURES	
	POSITION TITLE	21-22			22-23
X62710 Child Care/Services Inspection Specialist		.75	1	\$30,593	\$40,791
S01112 Office Clerk II		.75	1	\$17,324	\$23,098
Benefits.....				\$14,906	\$19,876
Operating.....				\$18,093	\$24,125
Travel.....					
Capital Outlay.....					
Aid.....					

Capital Improvements.....

**TOTAL**.....

	\$80,916	\$107,890
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