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LB 537

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)					
	FY 2021-22		FY 2022-23		
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	
GENERAL FUNDS	See Below				
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.

This bill would change provisions relating to placement and commitment of juveniles.

The Supreme Court estimates that this bill could have a General Fund impact on Probation Administration for detention costs, changes to protocols, and the case management system, but any impact cannot be determined at this time.

This bill may increase the population at the youth rehabilitation and treatment centers (YRTC) because current law states that a juvenile under 14 years old shall not be placed at a YRTC, but this bill adds "unless the juvenile poses a significant risk to the physical safety of other persons".

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) states that there needs to be physical separation of younger youth from older ones for the safety and security of the younger kids. They estimate having to construct new facilities physically apart from the current ones at the YRTC's, both for boys and girls. HHS notes that recent construction of similar facilities have cost about \$12 million.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE LB: 537 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Supreme Court (05) REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilcox DATE: 02/03/2021 PHONE: (402) 471-4178 COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Nebraska Supreme Court estimate of potential, but Indeterminate fiscal impact to the Agency from LB 537.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE					
LB: 537 AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Heal	th and Human Services (25)			
REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilco	ox DATE: 02/02/2021 PH	ONE: (402) 471-4178			
COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) estimate of potential, but Indeterminate Fiscal Impact to the Agency from LB 537. DHHS is unable to estimate the potential number of youth which the provisions of the bill might address, therefore, they were unable to determine the cost impact.					

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LB ⁽¹⁾ 537				FISCAL NOTE			
State Agency OR Politi	cal Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾	Supreme Court					
Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Er	ic Asboe	Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾	2/2/2021 Phone: (5)	402-326-9215			
	ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION						
	FY	2021-22	FY 202	0-03			
	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>			
GENERAL FUNDS							
CASH FUNDS							
FEDERAL FUNDS							
OTHER FUNDS							
TOTAL FUNDS							

Explanation of Estimate:

LB537 is estimated to increase judicial workload for detention hearings, General Fund expenditures for detention and require modifications to Probation protocols and the Probation case management system. Although additional funding may be required in the future, if detention and related costs increase significantly, the amount of any increase cannot be determined at this time.

BREAKD	OWN BY MA.	IOR OBJECTS O	<u>F EXPENDITURE</u>		
Personal Services:					
	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2021-22	2022-23	
POSITION TITLE	21-22	<u>22-23</u>	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES	
Benefits					
Operating					
Travel	•				
Capital outlay					
Aid					
Capital improvements					
TOTAL					

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

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

Prepared by: (3) Mike Michalski	Date Prepared 2-2-2021 FY 2021-2022		Phone: (5) 471-6719		
			<u>FY 2022-2023</u>		
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	
GENERAL FUNDS					
CASH FUNDS					
FEDERAL FUNDS					
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below		

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 537 allows for a juvenile under the age of 14 to be placed in a youth rehabilitation and treatment center if they pose a significant risk to the physical safety of other persons.

Best practices require a physical separation of younger youth from the older youth due to the safety and security of the younger youth. There would be a significant fiscal impact to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). The YRTC's would have to establish a separate building physically apart from the currently occupied buildings for both males and females to accommodate this new population. All meals, recreation, schooling and other programing would have to take place within the designated building to avoid any intermingling. The new facility would then have to be staffed 24 hours per day, seven days per week. Recent facilities that would meet DHHS's needs built by local governments have been approximately \$12 million dollars to construct.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE				
PERSONAL SERVICES:				
	NUMBER OF	POSITIONS	2021-2022	2022-2023
POSITION TITLE	21-22	22-23	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits				
Operating				
Travel		_		
Capital Outlay		_		
Aid		_		
Capital Improvements		_		
TOTAL			See Above	See Above