PREPARED BY: DATE PREPARED: PHONE: Bill Biven, Jr. January 26, 2022 402-471-0054 **LB 945**

Revision: 00

FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)								
	FY 202	22-23	FY 2023-24					
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE				
GENERAL FUNDS	See Below	See Below	See Below	See Below				
CASH FUNDS								
FEDERAL FUNDS								
OTHER FUNDS								
TOTAL FUNDS	See Below	See Below	See Below	See Below				

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

LB945 creates the Teach in Nebraska Today Act and allows payments received under the Act to be deducted from individual income tax

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) will create & implement the program to attract people who have expressed an interested in teaching & to support the employment of those people by providing student loan repayment assistance for their service as a teacher in a public or private school in Nebraska.

Applications for the program are due no later than April 1, 2023 and then no later than April 1 each year thereafter. Each teacher cannot receive more than \$5,000 per calendar year for no more than five consecutive years or \$25,000 total reimbursement.

EXPENDITURES:

NDE estimates the need for an additional FTE to implement, monitor, and evaluate the program. For FY2022-23, the FTE will have \$5,010 in operating expenses and \$79,237 is salary expenses. For FY2023-24, the FTE will have \$5,010 in operating expenses and salary expenses will increase by 3.64% to \$82,301.

LB 945 appropriates \$5,000,000 of General Funds for both FY2022-23 & FY2023-24 to only be utilized for reimbursement of student loan repayment. No salary expenses or per diems are allowed to be utilized with the appropriation, so there is no funding source provided for the new FTE.

REVENUE:

We estimate there will be a General Fund revenue loss due to the income tax provisions, but the amount is indeterminable. The fiscal note will be revised when we have more information.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE	BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE					
LB: 945 (revised) AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Education					
REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush	DATE: 1/24/22 PHONE: (402) 471-4161					
COMMENTS: Agree with the agency that the bill provides appropriations of \$5 million in FY 2022-23 and FY 2023-24. Disagree with the 4% increase in salary in FY 2023-24. Over the past several years the agency has provided salary increases of 1% to 3%.						

LB ⁽¹⁾ 945 UPD/	ATED			FISCAL NOTE
State Agency OR Political S	Subdivision Name: (2)	Education		
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EST			OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISIO	
	EXPENDITURES	<u>2022-23</u> <u>REVENUE</u>	FY 202 EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	\$5,084,247		\$5,087,311	
CASH FUNDS		-	_	
FEDERAL FUNDS			_	
OTHER FUNDS			_	
TOTAL FUNDS	\$5,084,247		\$5,087,311	

$\label{prop:explanation} \textbf{Explanation of Estimate:}$

The bill would require the NDE to create and implement a program to support a new student loan repayment program for teachers. Implementing, monitoring, and evaluating the program would require the NDE to employ a new FTE. The bill does not indicate the source of funding.

The bill intends to appropriate \$5 million in aid.

<u>BREAK</u>	DOWN BY MAJ	OR OBJECTS OF	EXPENDITURE	
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS 22-23 23-24		2022-23 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	2023-24 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Grant Specialist	1		44,769	46,559
Benefits			34,468	35,742
Operating			5,010	5,010
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid			\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
Capital improvements				
TOTAL	\$5,084,247	\$5,087,311		