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**LB 889**

Revision: 00

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

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2024-25</b>		<b>FY 2025-26</b>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$25,000,000			
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$25,000,000			

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

LB889 appropriates \$25,000,000 from the General Fund for FY2024-25 to the Department of Economic Development for the purpose of carrying out the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act. Disagree with the Department’s administrative cost, there is sufficient operations appropriation in their current budget for up approximately \$29,000,000 in aid, current unobligated balance of the RWHIF is approximately \$4,500,000.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSE</b>			
LB: 889	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Economic Development	
REVIEWED BY: Neil Sullivan	DATE: 2/8/2024	PHONE: (402) 471-4179	
COMMENTS: The Department of Economic Development assessment of fiscal impact from LB 889 appears reasonable.			

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**2024**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 889**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup> Nebraska Department of Economic Development

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

	<u>FY 2024-25</u>		<u>FY 2025-26</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	\$6,250,000		\$12,500,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$6,250,000</b>		<b>\$12,500,000</b>	

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB888 contains intent language to appropriate \$25 million from the General Fund for the Rural Workforce Housing Fund in fiscal year 2024-25, to provide grants under the RWHF program.

DED believes the total \$25 million will be distributed approximately 25 percent in FY2024-25, 50 percent in FY2025-26, and 25 percent in FY2026-27.

The Department estimates a need for two (2) additional staff members, including one (1) Economic Development Manager position and one (1) Economic Development Consultant II position, for the administration of these funds. Operating costs include \$60,507 annually for software and licenses for grant management software and \$5,972 for additional leased office space.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
G49550 Economic Development Manager	1.0	1.0	\$72,640	\$72,640
A49012 Economic Development Consultant II	0.75	1.0	\$51,356	\$68,475
Benefits.....			\$49,400	\$49,400
Operating.....			\$65,700	\$71,300
Travel.....			\$12,400	\$14,500
Capital Outlay.....			\$17,200	\$0
Aid.....			\$5,981,304	\$12,223,685
Capital Improvements.....			\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL.....</b>			<b>\$6,250,000</b>	<b>\$12,500,000</b>