

**FISCAL NOTE**

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

Revise Per AM2282 AM2730

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)					
EXPENDITURES	GENERAL	CASH	FEDERAL	REVOLVING	TOTAL
FY2025-2026	0	0	0	0	0
FY2026-2027	0	0	0	0	0
FY2027-2028	0	0	0	0	0
FY2028-2029	0	0	0	0	0
REVENUE	GENERAL	CASH	FEDERAL	REVOLVING	TOTAL
FY2025-2026	0	0	0	0	0
FY2026-2027	0	0	0	0	0
FY2027-2028	0	0	0	0	0
FY2028-2029	0	0	0	0	0

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

AM2282 to LB 596 strikes the original sections and inserts new language to update statutes related to county records, legal notices, county clerk marriage fees, unclaimed property notice requirements, and notice and virtual meeting provisions under the Open Meetings Act.

The amendment authorizes the use of an accessible durable medium for certain records, expands the use of e-editions and digital newspapers for legal notices in certain situations, changes public access and recordkeeping requirements for county records, reduces certain county clerk marriage-related fees, revises legal notice publication rates, and modifies unclaimed property notice requirements.

AM2730 inserts new sections amending Neb. Rev. Stat. § 72-728 to require the Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission, before June 30, 2027, to name one living person to the Nebraska Hall of Fame. The person must qualify as a Nebraskan under § 72-726 and must have demonstrated achievement in public service, leadership in collegiate athletics, and volunteer youth mentorship activities. The amendment creates a one-time exception to the current Hall of Fame limitations, which otherwise restrict the timing of induction and generally require a person to be deceased for at least thirty-five years before induction. The amendment also adds a severability clause.

The Nebraska State Historical Society notes the most recent Hall of Fame bust cost \$42,900 and estimates the current cost per bust is approximately \$45,000 due to inflation in time and materials. Under N.R.S. § 72-729.01, the State Treasurer transfers \$10,000 annually from the General Fund to the Hall of Fame Trust Fund unless the fund balance exceeds \$50,000 on the last day of the preceding fiscal year; the fund balance was \$45,041.57 as of April 1, 2026. Any fiscal impact would be absorbed by the agency.

The Supreme Court states that minimal fiscal impact is anticipated for judicial education and that no additional resources are required.

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LB<sup>(1)</sup> 596 AM 2730

FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision  
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Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

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

	FY 2026-27		FY 2027-28	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
REVOLVING FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB 596 AM2730 proposes to change provisions relating to how legal notices are published by allowing publication on a digital newspaper or E-edition for the certain number or days or weeks required, if a digital news publication does not have a print publication. LB596 AM2730 as amended by AM 2282 will make revisions to certain fees, public records, particularly for counties, as well as authorize virtual meetings for three state boards/commissions.

LB 596 AM 2730 also proposes that prior to June 30, 2027, the Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission shall name one living person to the Nebraska Hall of Fame with achievement in public service, leadership in collegiate athletics, and volunteer youth mentorship activities.

It is expected that costs will remain similar for print or digital publications. LB 596 AM 2730 has no fiscal impact to DAS.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2026-27	2027-28
	26-27	27-28	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
... Operating.....				
.... Travel.....				
. Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				

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**Capital  
improvements**.....  
**TOTAL**.....

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**2026**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 596 AM 2730**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision  
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Nebraska State Historical Society

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

	<b>FY 2026-27</b>		<b>FY 2027-28</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
<b>GENERAL FUNDS</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>CASH FUNDS</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>	45,000	10,000	_____	10,000
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>_____</b>	<b>_____</b>	<b>_____</b>	<b>_____</b>

**Explanation of Estimate:**

The cost for the most recent bust for the Hall of Fame was \$42,900. Assuming inflationary costs of time and material, the cost for a bust to add a member to the Nebraska Hall of Fame is estimated to be approximately \$45,000.

In accordance with N.R.S. 72-729.0, the State Treasurer shall transfer ten thousand dollars from the General Fund to the Hall of Fame Trust Fund annually except that if the balance of the Hall of Fame Trust Fund exceeds fifty thousand dollars on the last day of the preceding fiscal year, such transfer shall not take place. The fund balance on April 1, 2026 was \$45,041.57

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

<b>POSITION TITLE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</b>		<b>2026-27 EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2027-28 EXPENDITURES</b>
	<b>26-27</b>	<b>27-28</b>		
<b>Benefits</b> .....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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<b>Operating</b> .....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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<b>Travel</b> .....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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<b>Capital outlay</b> .....	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>Aid</b> .....	_____	_____	_____	_____
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<b>Capital</b>	_____	_____	_____	_____

improvements.....  
TOTAL.....

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**2026**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 596 AM2730**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision  
Name: <sup>(2)</sup>

Legislative Council

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

	<u>FY 2026-27</u>		<u>FY 2027-28</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

Explanation of Estimate:

No Fiscal Impact

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2027-28</u>
	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Benefits.....				
... Operating.....				
.... Travel.....				
. Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
. Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....				

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**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 596, as amended**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision  
Name: <sup>(2)</sup>

05 Supreme Court

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

	<u>FY 2026-27</u>		<u>FY 2026-27</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB596, amended as of 4/7/2026, would have a minimal fiscal impact to provide judicial education. No additional resources required.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2026-27 EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2027-28 EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>		
Benefits.....				
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Operating.....				
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Travel.....				
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Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
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Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....				

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

LB: 596 AM: 2730 AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Legislative Council

REVIEWED BY: Ashley Dempsey DATE: 4/1/26 PHONE: (402) 326-2182

COMMENTS: Concur with the Legislative Council's assessment of no fiscal impact from LB 596 AM 2730.

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

LB: 596 AM: 2730 AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska State Historical Society

REVIEWED BY: Ashley Dempsey DATE: 4/1/26 PHONE: (402) 326-2182

COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Nebraska State Historical Society's estimated fiscal impact from LB 596 AM 2730.