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LB 1390

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)					
	FY 2024-25		FY 2025-26		
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	
GENERAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000		
CASH FUNDS					
FEDERAL FUNDS					
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000		

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

LB 1390 amends the Election Act.

LB 1390 requires the Secretary of State (SOS) to report to the Legislature on or before December 31 of each presidential election year regarding reported threats to or acts of harassment of the SOS, any employee of the election division, election commissioner, county clerk or any person assisting in the conduct of an election.

Section 4 makes it a Class III misdemeanor for any person to "obstruct, hinder, assault, or, by bribery, solicitation, threat, harassment, or otherwise, interfere in carrying out the powers or duties pursuant to the Election Act." Other penalties are provided for similar acts committed under LB 1390.

The SOS estimates a cost of \$10,000 per year to address the monitoring and reporting of threats or harassment of election officials statewide. While the required report is only submitted every fourth year, the vendor for this service would collect data every year. When submitted, the report would contain information based on the prior four years.

This estimate appears to be reasonable.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE				
LB: 1390	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Neb	raska Secretary of State	
REVIEWED BY	Kimberly Burns	DATE: 02/02/2024	PHONE: (402) 471-4171	
COMMENTS: The Nebraska Secretary of State's assessment of fiscal impact from LB 1390 appears reasonable.				

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LB ⁽¹⁾ 1390				I	FISCAL NOTE	
State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Joan Arnold		Nebraska Secretary of State				
		Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾	1-18-2024	Phone: (5)	402-471-2384	
	ESTIMATE PROVI	DED BY STATE AGEN	CY OR POLITICAL	<u>SUBDIVIS</u>	ION	
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	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITU		<u>REVENUE</u>	
GENERAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000			
CASH FUNDS						
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER FUNDS						
TOTAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000			

Explanation of Estimate:

LB1390 requires our office to provide a report of any threats or harassment of election officials throughout the state. Our office does not currently have the resources to survey, monitor, and compile a report of such actions across all 93 counties. As such, we obtained a quote from the National Counterterrorism Innovation, Technology, and Education (NCITE) Center at the University of Nebraska at Omaha to perform these services, which was estimated to cost \$10,000 per year. The services would be performed annually and compiled into a four-year report to be delivered to the Legislature after each presidential election year. Therefore, this would be an ongoing annual cost.

BREAK	DOWN BY MA.	JOR OBJECTS O	F EXPENDITURE	
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS <u>24-25</u> <u>25-26</u>		2024-25 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	2025-26 <u>EXPENDITURE</u> S
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Benefits				
Operating			\$10,000	\$10,000
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL			\$10,000	\$10,000

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