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**LB 218**

Revision: 00

# FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

## ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)

|               | FY 2025-26   |         | FY 2026-27   |         |
|---------------|--------------|---------|--------------|---------|
|               | EXPENDITURES | REVENUE | EXPENDITURES | REVENUE |
| GENERAL FUNDS | \$96,400     |         | \$96,695     |         |
| CASH FUNDS    | \$4,000      |         |              |         |
| FEDERAL FUNDS |              |         |              |         |
| OTHER FUNDS   |              |         |              |         |
| TOTAL FUNDS   | \$100,400    |         | \$96,695     |         |

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

LB 218 changes provisions related to voter registration.

Section 3 requires the voter registration system utilized by the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to be designed so electors' information is transmitted to the election commissioner or county clerk.

The DMV estimates some programming changes that will be absorbed with existing resources. Additionally, DMV estimates a cost of \$4,000 to reprint all redesigned application forms. This estimate appears to be reasonable.

The Secretary of State estimates the need for 1.0 IT Infrastructure Support Analyst to address the provisions of LB 218. It is estimated that approximately 460,000 additional applications per year will be transmitted. The additional position will monitor system transactions and troubleshoot issues that may arise. There is no basis to disagree with this estimate.

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| ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE                 |     |                                      |                       |
| LB: 218   | AM: | AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Secretary of State |                       |
| REVIEWED BY: Joe Massey   |     | DATE: 2/13/2025                      | PHONE: (402) 471-4181 |
| COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Secretary of State's assessment of fiscal impact from LB: 218 |     |                                      |                       |

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| ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE  |     |  |                       |
| LB: 218  | AM: | AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Motor Vehicles |                       |
| REVIEWED BY: Joe Massey  |     | DATE: 1/21/2025                                | PHONE: (402) 471-4181 |
| COMMENTS: Department of Motor Vehicles assessment of fiscal impact from LB 218 appears reasonable using the assumptions provided |     |  |                       |

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

Prepared by: <sup>(3)</sup> Joan Arnold

Date Prepared: <sup>(4)</sup> 1-30-2025

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

|               | FY 2025-26   |         | FY 2026-27   |         |
|---------------|--------------|---------|--------------|---------|
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| GENERAL FUNDS | \$96,400     |         | \$96,695     |         |
| CASH FUNDS    |              |         |              |         |
| FEDERAL FUNDS |              |         |              |         |
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| TOTAL FUNDS   | \$96,400     |         | \$96,695     |         |

Explanation of Estimate:

LB218 proposes automatic voter registration. There would be ongoing costs associated with the proposed legislation as it would significantly increase the amount of data being transmitted. We processed about 180,000 transactions from the DMV in 2024, and we expect that this change could result in an increase to approximately 460,000 transactions each year. As a result of this increased traffic, we estimate increased costs from the OCIO of approximately \$3,700 per year. We also anticipate needing an IT Infrastructure Support Tech to monitor the system transactions given the additional volume and to troubleshoot issues that may arise. This position is expected to cost approximately \$92,750 per year for salary, benefits, equipment, supplies, and technology expenses.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

| POSITION TITLE                    | NUMBER OF POSITIONS |       | 2025-26      | 2026-27      |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------|--------------|--------------|
|                                   | 25-26               | 26-27 | EXPENDITURES | EXPENDITURES |
| IT Infrastructure Support Analyst | 1.0                 | 1.0   | \$64,000     | \$67,200     |
| Benefits.....                     |                     |       | \$22,400     | \$23,520     |
| Operating.....                    |                     |       | \$7,000      | \$5,975      |
| Travel.....                       |                     |       |              |              |
| Capital outlay.....               |                     |       | \$3,000      |              |
| Aid.....                          |                     |       |              |              |
| Capital improvements.....         |                     |       |              |              |
| TOTAL.....                        |                     |       | \$96,400     | \$96,695     |

# 2025

## FISCAL NOTE

Prepared by: <sup>(3)</sup> Bart Moore Date Prepared: <sup>(4)</sup> January 15, 2025 Phone: <sup>(5)</sup> 402-471-3902

|               | FY 2025-26          |                | FY 2026-27          |                |
|---------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
|               | <u>EXPENDITURES</u> | <u>REVENUE</u> | <u>EXPENDITURES</u> | <u>REVENUE</u> |
| GENERAL FUNDS |                     |                |                     |                |
| CASH FUNDS    | 4,000               |                |                     |                |
| FEDERAL FUNDS |                     |                |                     |                |
| OTHER FUNDS   |                     |                |                     |                |
| TOTAL FUNDS   | 4,000               |                |                     |                |

This legislation will require 80-100 hours of additional programming and 50 hours for testing the programming that will be absorbed within existing appropriations. The Department will be required to reprint all redesigned application forms, we estimate the additional cost to be \$4,000.

| POSITION TITLE            | NUMBER OF POSITIONS |              | 2025-26             | 2026-27             |
|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                           | <u>25-26</u>        | <u>26-27</u> | <u>EXPENDITURES</u> | <u>EXPENDITURES</u> |
|                           |                     |              |                     |                     |
|                           |                     |              |                     |                     |
| Benefits.....             |                     |              |                     |                     |
| Operating.....            |                     |              | 4,000               |                     |
| Travel.....               |                     |              |                     |                     |
| Capital outlay.....       |                     |              |                     |                     |
| Aid.....                  |                     |              |                     |                     |
| Capital improvements..... |                     |              |                     |                     |
| TOTAL.....                |                     |              | 4,000               |                     |