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**LB 553**

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				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

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

This bill expands eligibility for the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act to Dietitian Nutritionists. Newly eligible Dietitian Nutritionists can receive repayment for qualified educational debts up to \$15,000 per year per recipient. This bill would not necessarily increase the funding for the program though an accompanying appropriations bill could do so. Without additional funding, the administering agency, the Department of Health and Human Services, may decrease per capita repayments or utilize a waitlist.

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

LB:	553	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services	
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COMMENTS: Concur with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services' assessment of fiscal impact.				

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

State Agency or Political Subdivision Name:(2) Department of Health and Human Services

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	FY 2025-2026		FY 2026-2027	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

Explanation of Estimate:

LB553 adds the health profession “Dietitian Nutritionist” to the Health Professions Tracking Service (HPTS). The Division of Public Health will need to provide any relevant information that the Rural Health Advisory Commission (RHAC) needs in order to set up shortage area requirements for this new profession.

An addendum to the existing contract with HPTS will need to be added to track “Dietitian Nutritionist,” additional funding will be required to set up the program, and a new option will need to be added to the existing REDCap application.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE				
PERSONAL SERVICES:				
	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2025-2026	2026-2027
	25-26	26-27	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
POSITION TITLE				
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$0	\$0