

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.

LB594 amends Nebraska §60-6,179.01 by prohibiting drivers from physically holding or supporting of a handheld wireless communication device with their body, while operating a motor vehicle in motion. This restriction would not apply to:

- 1) Law enforcement officers;
- 2) Emergency responders such as firefighters, ambulance drivers, and emergency medical technicians;
- 3) A utility worker (employees or contractors) whom are responding to a utility emergency;
- 4) A person driving a motor vehicle during an emergency who is communicating with or attempting to communicate with emergency services; and
- 5) Drivers operating a motor vehicle in motion using a wireless communication device without touching the device, or using a single touch to initiate a function on the device.

This bill establishes the enforcement of this statute by law enforcement agencies would no longer be just a secondary offense, but rather a first action offense. Violators would be assessed points on their driver's license and fined.

The Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV), the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT), the Nebraska State Patrol (NSP), and the Lincoln Police Department have all indicated no fiscal impact.

There is no basis to disagree with these estimates of no fiscal impact.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 594	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Motor Vehicles	
REVIEWED BY: Joe Massey		DATE: 1/28/2025	PHONE: (402) 471-4181
COMMENTS: Concur with the Department of Motor Vehicles assessment of no fiscal impact from LB 594.			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 594	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska State Patrol	
REVIEWED BY: Joe Massey		DATE: 2/12/2025	PHONE: (402) 471-4181
COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Nebraska State Patrol's assessment of no fiscal impact from LB 594			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE		
LB: 594	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Lincoln Police Department
REVIEWED BY: Joe Massey	DATE: 2/3/2025	PHONE: (402) 471-4181
COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Lincoln Police Department's assessment of no fiscal impact from LB 594.		

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Department of Motor Vehicles

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Bart Moore

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ January 27, 2025

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-3902

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2025-26		FY 2026-27	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
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FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

Explanation of Estimate:

No Fiscal Impact

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE				
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2025-26	2026-27
	25-26	26-27	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....				

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Nebraska State Patrol

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Carol Aversman

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 01/30/2025

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-4545

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION				
	FY 2025-26		FY 2026-27	
	<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:				
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Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....				

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Nebraska Department of Transportation

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Jenessa Boynton Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 2/18/2025 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-479-4691

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2025-26</u>		<u>FY 2026-27</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
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FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

LB594 proposes changes and elimination of provisions relating to the use of handheld wireless communication devices while operating a motor vehicle. The bill would prohibit physically holding or supporting any wireless communication device while operating a motor vehicle. Along with existing exemptions included in section 60-6,179.01(3) the bill adds an exemption for utility service providers responding to an emergency as well as a person operating a motor vehicle in motion without touching the device or initiating a function on device with only a single touch.

No fiscal impact is anticipated to the Department of Transportation.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

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

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Lincoln Police Department

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Captain Todd Kocian #940

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 01-31-2025

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-441-1871

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2025-26		FY 2026-27	
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Explanation of Estimate:

Based on the current draft of this bill it does not appear there would be a fiscal impact to our agency.

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