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LB 151

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)						
	FY 2021	1-22	FY 2022-23			
	EXPENDITURES REVENUE		EXPENDITURES	REVENUE		
GENERAL FUNDS	See Below					
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 would adopt the Prosecutorial Transparency Act, and it has the severability clause.

Prosecutors are required to collect information listed in the bill, and then to provide this information to the Attorney General.

The bill also requires the Attorney General to develop a set of uniform reporting requirements and procedures to receive the information.

Prosecutors are required to post the information on their website.

The Attorney General estimates costs of \$402,928 in FY22 and \$408,893 in FY23. These estimated costs are for one assistant AG, four Data Analysts & Paralegals, and benefits.

Because the bill requires the Attorney General to perform additional duties, it is not unreasonable to expect that the AG would have increased costs associated with performing those additional duties. Whether these additional estimated costs are reasonable is unknown at this time, but they do appear high.

Douglas County estimates costs of \$135,032 in FY22 and \$118,333 in FY23. These additional costs are for two administrative assistants to collect, compile, and report the information, plus costs related to their case management system.

Sarpy County estimates costs of \$145,000 in FY22, and \$150,120 in FY23. These additional costs are for the salary and benefits for an additional attorney and staff person for an anticipated increase in workload from the provisions of this bill.

Because the bill requires prosecutors to perform additional duties, it is not unreasonable to expect that they would have increased costs associated with performing those additional duties. At this time, there is no basis to disagree with whether or not Douglas and Sarpy County's estimated additional expenditures are reasonable.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE						
LB: 151	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Attorne	y General (11)			
REVIEWED	DBY: Joe Wilcox	DATE: 01/21/2021	PHONE: (402) 471-4178			
COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Nebraska Attorney General estimate of potential Fiscal Impact to the Agency from LB 151, however, the fiscal note does not include an estimate of the cost to develop and maintain the reporting system required by the bill.						

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LB: 151	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Douglas County				
REVIEWE	D BY: Joe Wilcox	DATE: 01/19/2021	PHONE: (402) 471-4178			
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COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Douglas County estimate of potential Fiscal Impact to the County from LB 151.

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

LB: 151	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Sarpy County		
REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilcox		DATE: 01/14/2021 PHONE: (402) 471-4178		
COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Sarpy County estimate of potential Fiscal Impact to the County from LB 151.				

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE						
LB: 151	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: City of Omaha				
REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilcox		DATE: 02/01/2021	PHONE: (402) 471-4178			
COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the City of Omaha estimate of potential Fiscal Impact to the City from LB 151.						

LB ⁽¹⁾ 151						FISCAL NOTE
State Agency OR 1	Political S	Subdivision Name: (2)	Attorney General			
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Prepared by: ⁽³⁾	Corey	O'Brien	Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾	1-20-21	Phone: ⁽⁵⁾	402-471-2687
	E	STIMATE PROVID	DED BY STATE AGENO	CY OR POLITICAL S	SUBDIVISIO	DN
		<u>FY 9</u>	2021-22		<u>FY 2022</u>	-23
		EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITU	RES	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUN	DS	402,928.		408,893		
CASH FUNDS						
FEDERAL FUN	DS					
OTHER FUNDS	5					
TOTAL FUNDS		402,928.		408,893.		

Explanation of Estimate:

As written, LB 151 requires the Attorney General to establish an entirely new reporting system with multiple data points, promulgate rules, and monitor compliance with the proposed Act with every city attorney and county attorney in Nebraska. Such requirements will necessitate the hiring of additional personnel including 2 data analysts, 2 paralegals, and at least one additional assistant attorney general.

Costs attributable to the OCIO associated with creation and maintenance of such a reporting system are not known at this time.

BREAKD Personal Services:	<u>OWN BY MAJ</u>	<u>UR OBJECTS OF</u>	<u>FEXPENDITURE</u>	
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF <u>21-22</u>	POSITIONS <u>22-23</u>	2021-22 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	2022-23 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Assistant Attorney General	1.0	1.0	75,000.	76,500.
Data Analyst & Paralegal	4.0	4.0	184,000.	187,680.
Benefits			143,928.	144, 713.
Operating				
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL			402,928.	408,893.

LB ⁽¹⁾ 151				FISCAL NOTE
State Agency OR Po	litical Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾	Douglas County, N	NE	
Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Shakil A. Malik		Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾	1/15/2021 P	hone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-444-7040
	ESTIMATE PROVID	DED BY STATE AGENO	CY OR POLITICAL SUE	BDIVISION
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	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2021-22</u> <u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITURE	<u>FY 2022-23</u> <u>S REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUND	s <u>135,032</u>		118,333	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUND	S			
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	135,032		118,333	

Explanation of Estimate:

This bill adds significant data collection and compilation requirements to over 5,000 cases a year the Douglas County Attorney's Office prosecutes. We estimate two admin assistants will be needed to collect/compile/report this information to the Attorney General's Office. Further, this data will be stored or compiled in either our existing case management system, which will require software modifications by our vendor or in a purpose-built. Either item will require an initial outlay plus annual maintenance, which will increase our operating expenses.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

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Personal Services:				
	NUMBER O	F POSITIONS	2021-22	2022-23
POSITION TITLE	21-22	22-23	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Administrative Assistant	2	2	95,680	98,550
Benefits			14,352	14,783
Operating			25,000	5,000
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL			135,032	118,333

LB ⁽¹⁾ 151				FISCAL NOTE
State Agency OR Politic	cal Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾	Sarpy County		
Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Wi	lliam E. Conley	Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾	1/14/2021 Phone	: (5) 402-593-5958
	ESTIMATE PROVID	DED BY STATE AGENO	CY OR POLITICAL SUBDIV	ISION
	<u>FYS</u> EXPENDITURES	<u>2021-22</u> <u>REVENUE</u>	<u>FY2</u> EXPENDITURES	<u>022-23</u> <u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	\$ 145,000		\$ 150,120	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$ 145,000		\$150,120	

Explanation of Estimate:

This proposed bill is opposed by the Sarpy County. Due to the increased workload, Sarpy County would need to, at a minimum, add an additional attorney and support staff position. \$68,000 for the attorney and \$40,000 for the staff person – plus benefits.

BREAKD	OWN BY MAJ	IOR OBJECTS O	F EXPENDITURE	
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF <u>21-22</u>	POSITIONS <u>22-23</u>	2021-22 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	2022-23 <u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Attorney	1	1	\$ 68,000	\$70,000
Staff support position	1	1	40,000	\$41,200
Benefits			37,800	\$38,920
Operating				
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL	2	2	\$145,000	\$ 150,120

LB ⁽¹⁾ 151				FISCAL NOTE
State Agency OR Political	Subdivision Name: (2)	City of Omaha		_
Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Tyle	r Leimer	Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾	2/1/2021 Ph	one: ⁽⁵⁾ (402) 444-4514
	ESTIMATE PROVID	DED BY STATE AGENO	CY OR POLITICAL SUBI	DIVISION
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	<u>F13</u> EXPENDITURES	<u>2021-22</u> <u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>Y 2022-23</u> <u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

Explanation of Estimate: LB 151 requires the Prosecutor's Office to hire three support staff positions to process the over 10,000 cases that need data input. It would also require a brand new computer program be constructed to collect and process all the data required by LB 151. Similar bills in other states have required expenses over \$3,000,000 and counting.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2021-22	2022-23
	<u>21-22</u>	<u>22-23</u>	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits				
Operating				
Travel				
Capital outlay				
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL				