

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2014-15		FY 2015-16	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	\$145,000		\$145,000	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$145,000		\$145,000	

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

LB 835 extends a pilot project for the administration of a standard college admission test to students in the eleventh grade. The test is selected by the State Department of Education (NDE) and aid has been provided to eight school districts participating in the pilot project. Current law provides for a three year pilot project beginning in the 2011-12 school year. The bill extends the project an additional two years, for school years 2014-15 and 2015-16. The project is funded with lottery dollars through the Education Innovation Fund.

The bill provides for \$145,000 of cash funds from the Education Innovation Fund to be appropriated for the pilot project in FY15 and FY16. NDE indicates the current cost per student for the ACT examination, which has been used in the pilot project, is \$36.50 per student. There should be adequate funding in the Education Innovation Fund, based upon current revenue projections and provisions of state law, to fund the pilot project for two years.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES		
LB: 835	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Education
REVIEWED BY: Matthew Eash	DATE: 1/30/2014	PHONE: 402-471-4175
COMMENTS: The Department's estimate of annual costs for the ACT Pilot Program in FY 2014-15 and FY 2015-16 appear to extend appropriately the cost trend projected through the current FY 2013-14.		

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LB⁽¹⁾ 835

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Nebraska Department of Education

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2014-15</u>		<u>FY 2015-16</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	<u>140,598</u>	_____	<u>146,730</u>	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>140,598</u>	_____	<u>146,730</u>	_____

Explanation of Estimate:

An extension is requested for the implementation of the ACT pilot project to support the districtwide administration of the ACT to the students in the eleventh grade who are attending high school in one of the eight districts that have participated in the pilot since its inception in 2011-2012.

Extending the funding to cover the costs of the ACT test administration for two additional years would provide the opportunity for further development of research.

Based on the 2013-2014 fall membership report of the last Friday in September 2013, the proposed funding would provide ACT tests for approximately 3,852 Nebraska students in 2014-2015 and 4,020 Nebraska students 2015-2016. Current cost per student for ACT administration is \$36.50.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2014-15 EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2015-16 EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>14-15</u>	<u>15-16</u>		
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	<u>140,598</u>	<u>146,730</u>
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	<u>140,598</u>	<u>146,730</u>