

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2018-19		FY 2019-20	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	2,000		2,000	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	2,000		2,000	

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

This bill would adopt the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact. By joining this compact, it would allow emergency medical personnel to practice in states in the compact.

There are no fees currently for membership in the compact. If the compact adopts fees that would increase costs to the State, the EMS Board could recommend to the Legislature that the State withdraw from the compact. There is a requirement that a delegate from the State attends one compact meeting a year. The cost would be approximately \$2,000 annually. This would be paid from the Emergency Medical Operations Fund.

Criminal background checks would be required for all initial licenses within five years of the adoption of the compact. The cost of the checks would be paid by the licensees.

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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	<u>FY 2018-2019</u>		<u>FY 2019-2020</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	\$2,000		\$2,000	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$2,000		\$2,000	

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 894 would adopt the Emergency Medical Service Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact. As with other interstate licensure compacts, this agreement is intended to increase licensure portability across state lines.

The Emergency Medical Service Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (hereafter *EMS Compact*) would require an FBI criminal background check for all initial licenses within five years of its adoption. Applicants would submit fingerprint cards to the Nebraska State Patrol for processing. The current cost for this (\$42.50) is borne by the applicant.

The EMS Compact would require the Department to send a delegate to participate in at least one commission meeting annually, resulting in approximately \$2000 in travel expenses.

The EMS Compact is an active agreement with 12 member states. Though it does not currently assess member states dues for access, LB 894 acknowledges that the Commission may decide to do so. LB 894 permits the EMS Board to recommend withdrawal to the Legislature in this circumstance.

The EMS Compact does not address all license types available in Nebraska. Neither emergency medical responders (EMR) or emergency medical technicians-intermediate (EMT-I) would be eligible for compact privilege. The Department no longer issues new EMT-I licenses. As of June 30, 2017, there were 8,201 EMS licenses in Nebraska. Under Nebraska statute, the Department cannot assess fees for EMS licensure. The designated source of funding for the Department's duties under the Emergency Medical Services Practice Act and Statewide Trauma System Act is the Nebraska Emergency Medical System Operations Fund. A fifty cent fee for each motor vehicle registration certificate issued in Nebraska is remitted to the State Treasurer to credit this fund.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2018-2019	2019-2020
	POSITION TITLE	18-19	19-20	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....			\$2,000	\$2,000
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$2,000	\$2,000

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FISCAL NOTE

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

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2018-19		FY 2019-20	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

The State Patrol estimates that approximately 500 new emergency service providers would be required to have a fingerprint-based criminal background check. Based upon this estimate, the Agency has determined that it can absorb this additional volume.

No Fiscal Impact.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2018-19 EXPENDITURES	2019-20 EXPENDITURES
	18-19	19-20		
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____