

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2013-14		FY 2014-15	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	7,422,528	7,422,528		
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS		(7,422,528)		
TOTAL FUNDS	7,422,528	0		

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

LB 286 would authorize the following transfers out of the Cash Reserve Fund: 1) \$5,422,528 to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund; 2) \$1,000,000 to the Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund; and 3) \$1,000,000 to the Legal Aid and Services Fund. All of the transfers would occur on or before September 1, 2013.

There would be the need for a one-time appropriation increase in the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Nebraska Commission of Public Advocacy to allow for the expenditure of the funds transferred from the Cash Reserve Fund. It is estimated that the increased funding could be expended as state aid using existing agency staff.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB: 286	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Dept. of Health and Human Services (revised 2/15)	
REVIEWED BY: Lyn Heaton		DATE: 2/19/2013	PHONE: 402.471.4181
<p>COMMENTS: The transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund and related reduction in fund balance would result in some loss of General Fund revenue as interest earnings on the Cash Reserve Fund are by law credited to the General Fund. The interest earnings revenue lost to the General Fund from the transfer is estimated to be approximately \$21,000 in FY 2013-14 and \$25,000 in FY 2014-15.</p> <p>Technical Note: The expenditure of the revenue as grant awards under the Homeless Shelter Assistance Program could be done either entirely in the year in which the revenue is received, which would suggest a one-time appropriation, or over a longer period of time which could potentially be expended within the existing base level of cash fund appropriation depending on how quickly the funding is intended to be expended. No reference is made in the bill with respect to how quickly the aid money is intended to be awarded to recipients.</p>			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB: 286	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Comm. On Public Advocacy	
REVIEWED BY: Lyn Heaton		DATE: 1/18/2013	PHONE: 402.471.4181
<p>COMMENTS: Contrary to the agency submitted fiscal note, the bill will only result in cash fund revenue for the Legal Aid and Services Fund in FY 2013-14, and not FY 2014-15, as the transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund is a one-time transfer. Also, while the Commission may not use the money in the Legal Aid and Services Fund on agency operations, grant awards would be recorded as aid expenditures and, if it is the Legislature's intent to allow for the immediate expenditure of the entire amount of the transfer, would require some appropriation authority in order to be expended.</p> <p>Finally, it should be pointed out that the transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund and related reduction in fund balance would result in some loss of General Fund revenue as interest earnings on the Cash Reserve Fund are by law credited to the General Fund. The interest earnings revenue lost to the General Fund from the transfer is estimated to be approximately \$21,000 in FY 2013-14 and \$25,000 in FY 2014-15.</p>			

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

LB: 286 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Dept. of Economic Development

REVIEWED BY: Lyn Heaton DATE: 1/23/2013 PHONE: [402.471.4181](tel:402.471.4181)

COMMENTS: The Dept. of Economic Development is correct in that the bill does include authorization for a transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund (a cash fund). However, the transfer would not represent a dollar-for-dollar reduction of General Fund revenue as is shown in the Department's fiscal note. The Cash Reserve Fund is a separate fund from the General Fund. Though, it should be pointed out that the transfer and related reduction in fund balance would result in some loss of General Fund revenue as interest earnings on the Cash Reserve Fund are by law credited to the General Fund. The interest earnings revenue lost to the General Fund is estimated to be approximately \$113,000 in FY 2013-14 and \$136,000 in FY 2014-15.

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Economic Development

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Gary Hamer Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ January 22, 2013 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 1-4388

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2013-14</u>		<u>FY 2014-15</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	<u>(5,422,528)</u>	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	<u>5,422,528</u>	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 286 provides for a Cash Reserve Fund transfer to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. These funds will be incorporated into the DED Housing Action Plan. No new staff are needed to implement LB 286.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2013-14</u>	<u>2014-15</u>
	<u>13-14</u>	<u>14-15</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2)

Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy

Prepared by: (3) James R. Mowbray Date Prepared: (4) 01/17/2013 Phone: (5) 402-471-7774

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2013-14		FY 2014-15	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	1,000,000	_____	1,000,000
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	1,000,000	=====	1,000,000

RETURN BY DATE SPECIFIED OR 72 HOURS PRIOR TO PUBLIC HEARING, WHICHEVER IS EARLIER.

EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATE:

LB 286 adds additional cash to the Legal Aid and Services fund. This fund is a pass through fund and there will be no expenditures. The money will be awarded during the next grant fund year beginning January 1, 2014.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2013-14 EXPENDITURES	2014-15 EXPENDITURES
	13-14	14-15		
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital	_____	_____	_____	_____
outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
RD.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital	_____	_____	_____	_____
improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

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

Prepared by: (3) Willard Bouwens

Date Prepared:(4) 2-15-13

Phone: (5) 471-8072

	<u>FY 2013-2014</u>		<u>FY 2014-2015</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	\$1,000,000			
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$1,000,000		\$0	

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 286 makes a one time transfer of \$1,000,000 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund (HSATF) and the Legal Aid and Services Fund. The bill adds these funds to those currently available and utilizes the renewal grant process already in place.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:	POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2013-2014	2014-2015
		13-14	14-15	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....					
Operating.....					
Travel.....					
Capital Outlay.....					
Aid.....				\$1,000,000	
Capital Improvements.....					
TOTAL.....				\$1,000,000	\$0