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LB 409

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2009-10		FY 2010-11	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

This bill provides for penalties for obstructing or harassing an arson dog. The bill also expands the definition of a police animal to include horse or dog controlled by any law enforcement agency, not just the State of Nebraska.

The Department of Correctional Services (DCS) notes that obstructing a police officer is a Class I misdemeanor, and harassment of a police animal or arson dog is a Class IV misdemeanor unless the harassment results in serious injury or illness or death of the animal, in which case it is a Class IV felony.

DCS does not have any individuals incarcerated for harassing a police animal. The FY08 per diem (cost per day of feeding, clothing, housing, medical, etc.) for an individual inmate was \$5,509 per year. The fiscal impact to DCS from this bill is estimated to be minimal.