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FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2007-08		FY 2008-09	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

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

LB 542 creates a twelve member Children’s Behavioral Health Task Force. Members of the task force are eligible for the reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund. The task force is to prepare a children’s behavioral health plan for submission by December 4, 2007. The task force is to oversee the implementation of the plan until June 30, 2010.

These provisions of the bill have no additional fiscal impact for 2007-08 and 2008-09 because funding has been appropriated to the Legislative Council from the Health Care Cash Fund for on-going health-related research and public policy development by the Health and Human Services Committee. The task force will be funded by this appropriation. It is assumed the funding for the task force will be continued with funds from the Health Care Cash Fund in 2009-10.

The bill provides that juveniles placed at the Youth Rehabilitation Treatment Centers who are assessed to need inpatient or subacute substance abuse or behavioral health residential treatment may be transferred to a program or facility if the treatment and security needs of the juvenile can be met. It is assumed that any transfers pursuant to this section will be accomplished with existing resources of the Department of Health and Human Services.