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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1008

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Committee: Revenue

A BILL

- FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Budget Act; to amend section

 13-504, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide

 for cash basis or modified accrual or encumbrance basis

 budget statements as prescribed; and to repeal the

 original section.
- Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 13-504, Reissue Revised Statutes of

- 2 Nebraska, is amended to read:
- 3 13-504 (1) Each governing body shall annually prepare
- 4 a proposed budget statement on forms prescribed and furnished
- 5 by the auditor. The proposed budget statement shall be made
- 6 on a cash basis or on a modified accrual or encumbrance basis
- 7 at the discretion of the governing body. The proposed budget
- 8 statement shall be made available to the public by the political
- 9 subdivision prior to publication of the notice of the hearing
- 10 on the proposed budget statement pursuant to section 13-506. A
- 11 proposed budget statement shall contain the following information,
- 12 except as provided by state law:
- 13 (a) For the immediately preceding fiscal year, the
- 14 revenue from all sources, including motor vehicle taxes, other
- 15 than revenue received from personal and real property taxation,
- 16 allocated to the funds and separately stated as to each such
- 17 source: The unencumbered cash balance at the beginning and end of
- 18 the year; the amount received by taxation of personal and real
- 19 property; and the amount of actual expenditures;
- 20 (b) For the current fiscal year, actual and estimated
- 21 revenue from all sources, including motor vehicle taxes, allocated
- 22 to the funds and separately stated as to each such source: The
- 23 actual unencumbered cash balance available at the beginning of the
- 24 year; the amount received from personal and real property taxation;
- 25 and the amount of actual and estimated expenditures, whichever

1 is applicable. Such statement shall contain the cash reserve for

- 2 each fiscal year and shall note whether or not such reserve is
- 3 encumbered. Such cash reserve projections shall be based upon the
- 4 actual experience of prior years. The cash reserve shall not exceed
- 5 fifty percent of the total budget adopted exclusive of capital
- 6 outlay items;
- 7 (c) For the immediately ensuing fiscal year, an estimate
- 8 of revenue from all sources, including motor vehicle taxes, other
- 9 than revenue to be received from taxation of personal and real
- 10 property, separately stated as to each such source: The actual or
- 11 estimated unencumbered cash balances, whichever is applicable, to
- 12 be available at the beginning of the year; the amounts proposed
- 13 to be expended during the year; and the amount of cash reserve,
- 14 based on actual experience of prior years, which cash reserve shall
- 15 not exceed fifty percent of the total budget adopted exclusive of
- 16 capital outlay items;
- 17 (d) A statement setting out separately the amount sought
- 18 to be raised from the levy of a tax on the taxable value of real
- 19 property (i) for the purpose of paying the principal or interest on
- 20 bonds issued by the governing body and (ii) for all other purposes;
- 21 (e) A uniform summary of the proposed budget statement,
- 22 including each proprietary function fund included in a separate
- 23 proprietary budget statement prepared pursuant to the Municipal
- 24 Proprietary Function Act, and a grand total of all funds maintained
- 25 by the governing body; and

1 (f) For municipalities, a list of the proprietary

- 2 functions which are not included in the budget statement. Such
- 3 proprietary functions shall have a separate budget statement which
- 4 is approved by the city council or village board as provided in the
- 5 Municipal Proprietary Function Act.
- 6 (2) The actual or estimated unencumbered cash balance
- 7 required to be included in the budget statement by this section
- 8 shall include deposits and investments of the political subdivision
- 9 as well as any funds held by the county treasurer for the political
- 10 subdivision and shall be accurately stated on the proposed budget
- 11 statement.
- 12 (3) The political subdivision shall correct any material
- 13 errors in the budget statement detected by the auditor or by other
- 14 sources.
- 15 (4) The auditor shall create forms to allow a governing
- 16 body to report the information required in this section on a
- 17 <u>cash basis or the equivalent information on a modified accrual or</u>
- 18 encumbrance basis.
- 19 Sec. 2. Original section 13-504, Reissue Revised Statutes
- 20 of Nebraska, is repealed.