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LB 189

Revision: 02

FISCAL NOTE

Updated for the 2016 Session. Includes any amendments adopted to-date.

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)								
	FY 2016-17		FY 2017-18					
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE				
GENERAL FUNDS	259,745		63,745					
CASH FUNDS								
FEDERAL FUNDS								
OTHER FUNDS								
TOTAL FUNDS	259,745		63,745					

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

This bill would change provisions and penalties relating to marijuana and alphabetize definitions.

The Nebraska State Patrol estimates that this bill will result in additional testing that will need to be done by the Crime Lab, and this could result in the following additional costs:

	FY2015-16	FY2016-17	
ITEMS		Expenditures	
1.0 Forensic Scientist	48,292	48,292	
Benefits	15,453	15,453	
Capital Outlay: two additional gas chromatographs with autosamplers, and an additional gas chromatograph mass spectrometer with computer and software for sample confirmatory testing.	196,000	0	
TOTAL	259,745	63,745	

See the attached response of the Nebraska State Patrol for more details.

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2)		Nebraska State		
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	ESTIMATE PROVIDEI	D BY STATE AGENC	CY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVE	SION
	FY 20	16-17	FY 90	17-18
	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	\$259,745		\$63,745	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$259,745	\$0	\$63,745	\$0

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 189 will result in additional testing that will need to be performed by the Nebraska State Patrol Crime Lab. It may result in additional testing by the Nebraska State Patrol Crime Lab of marijuana possessed by individuals in quantities of less than an ounce. Additionally, in regards to industrial hemp, the bill results in a larger burden of work in that the State Patrol may have to show through testing that the substance is not industrial hemp in order to prove it is a controlled substance. This may cause an increase in the requests by prosecutors to have concentration testing done on plant material samples. Because of the increase in testing that will result from the bill, the State Patrol estimates the need for an additional forensic scientist, two additional gas chromatographs with autosamplers, and an additional gas chromatograph mass spectrometer with computer and software for sample confirmatory testing.

	OWN BY MAJ	OR OBJECTS O	F EXPENDITURE	
Personal Services: POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS 15-16 16-17		2016-17 EXPENDITURES	2017-18 EXPENDITURES
Forensic Scientist	1	1	\$48,292	\$48,292
Benefits			\$15,453	\$15,453
Operating				
Capital outlay			\$196,000	
Aid Capital improvements				
TOTAL			\$259,745	\$63,745