

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE**

| <b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates) |                   |         |                   |         |
|---|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
|   | <b>FY 2017-18</b> |         | <b>FY 2018-19</b> |         |
|   | EXPENDITURES      | REVENUE | EXPENDITURES      | REVENUE |
| GENERAL FUNDS   |                   |         |                   |         |
| CASH FUNDS  |                   |         |                   |         |
| FEDERAL FUNDS   |                   |         |                   |         |
| OTHER FUNDS   |                   |         |                   |         |
| TOTAL FUNDS   |                   |         |                   |         |

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

This bill changes alternative response from a pilot program to statewide and extends the authorized use of alternative response to December 31, 2020 from July 1, 2017. The requirement of an evaluation is also changed to include challenges, barriers and opportunities of making alternative response permanent. Alternative response allows the Department of Health and Human Services to provide supports and services to families who are the subject of a child abuse and neglect investigation and who meet certain screening requirements.

In the FY 2018-2019 biennium, there is no fiscal impact. The services provided under alternative response offset costs that otherwise would be incurred. The requirements that were added to the evaluation will have an impact in the following biennium. The department estimates the costs in FY 2019-20 to be \$323,976 and \$240,003 in FY 2020-21. These costs may be paid from Title IV-E federal funds or may require General Funds.

|   |                 |  |
|---|-----------------|--|
| <b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSES</b> |                 |  |
| LB: 225   | AM:             | AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) |
| REVIEWED BY: Elton Larson   | DATE: 1/30/2017 | PHONE: (402) 471-4173  |
| COMMENTS: DHHS analysis and estimate of fiscal impact appear reasonable.                          |                 |  |

**ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

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

Prepared by: (3) Pat Weber

Date Prepared:(4) 1-12-17

Phone: (5) 471-6351

|                      | <b>FY 2017-2018</b> |            | <b>FY 2018-2019</b> |            |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
|                      | EXPENDITURES        | REVENUE    | EXPENDITURES        | REVENUE    |
| <b>GENERAL FUNDS</b> |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>CASH FUNDS</b>    |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b> |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>OTHER FUNDS</b>   |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>   | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b> |

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

**Explanation of Estimate:**

There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Health and Human Services for the time period covered by this fiscal note.

In accordance Nebraska Revised Statute 28-712.02 the Department of Health and Human Services has contracted with an independent entity to evaluate the alternative response demonstration project through June 30, 2019. In order to comply with the proposed December 31, 2020 program date, the Department of Health and Human Services would need to enter into another contract for the extended evaluation period of July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020 . Additional funding at an estimated cost of \$323,976 FY 2020 and \$240,003 for FY2021 would be needed to continue the data gathering and completion of the evaluation.

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

| PERSONAL SERVICES:        | POSITION TITLE | NUMBER OF POSITIONS |        | 2017-2018    | 2018-2019    |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------|--------------|--------------|
|                           |                | 17-18               | 18--19 | EXPENDITURES | EXPENDITURES |
| Benefits.....             |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Operating.....            |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Travel.....               |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Capital Outlay.....       |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Aid.....                  |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Capital Improvements..... |                |                     |        |              |              |
| <b>TOTAL.....</b>         |                |                     |        | <b>\$0</b>   | <b>\$0</b>   |