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LB 658

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FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2017-18		FY 2018-19	
	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 would provide for expert witness appointment as prescribed in certain juvenile proceedings.

The Supreme Court states that this bill could have a fiscal impact on Juvenile Courts and Probation but notes that whether additional resources would be required cannot be determined at this time. The Supreme Court further states that if the intent is for the deadline to apply only to evaluations produced by expert witness appointed by parents and others, there would be a minimal fiscal impact.

Lancaster and Douglas County Juvenile Courts both state that this bill could substantially increase costs but such increase cannot be estimated at this time. See their responses attached for additional details.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES		
LB: 658	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Lancaster County Juvenile Court
REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilcox	DATE: 1/26/2017	PHONE: (402) 471-4178
COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Lancaster County Juvenile Court estimate of Undetermined Fiscal Impact to the County from LB 658.		

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LB⁽¹⁾ 658

FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Supreme Court

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Eric Asboe Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 3/6/17 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 1-4138

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2017-18</u>		<u>FY 2018-19</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

LB658, as introduced, could have an impact on Juvenile Courts and Probation in order to provide court-ordered evaluations by the 15-day deadline. Whether additional resources would be required cannot be determined at this time. However, if the intent of LB658 is for the deadline to apply only to evaluations produced by expert witness appointed by parents and others, there would be a minimal fiscal impact.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>
	<u>17-18</u>	<u>18-19</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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LB658⁽¹⁾ Provide for expert witness appointment as prescribed in certain juvenile proceedings

FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ MARCOS SAN MARTIN, DOUGLAS COUNTY Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 3/6/17 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402.444.5116

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2017-18</u>		<u>FY 2018-19</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>N/A</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>N/A</u>

Explanation of Estimate:

NEGATIVE FISCAL IMPACT TO DOUGLAS COUNTY

Douglas County Juvenile Court has a process in place to pay for expert witnesses. The Court currently reimburses up to a capped dollar amount per hour for expert witnesses.

LB358 will change current practice and result in significantly increased costs and may result in the overall increased utilization of expert testimony. Additional costs to the County will be substantial and cannot be quantified at this time.

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Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>
	<u>16-17</u>	<u>17-18</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Lancaster County

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Theresa Emmert, Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 1/25/17 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ (402) 441-5646
Juvenile Court Administrator

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2017-18</u>		<u>FY 2018-19</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>unknown</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>unknown</u>	<u>0</u>

Explanation of Estimate:

Lancaster County Juvenile Court has a procedure currently in place to approve expert witness fees that, by all accounts, is working appropriately and efficiently. This bill would dilute this process and the potential increase could be substantial and cannot be quantified at this time.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2017-18</u>	<u>2018-19</u>
	<u>17-18</u>	<u>18-19</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____