

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

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2018-19</b>		<b>FY 2019-20</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.**

LB 695 defines the term “smart contract”

Section 3 defines the term “distributed ledger technology” for the Electronic Notary Public Act.

Section 4 changes the definitions of “electronic signature” and “digital signature” so that each includes a signature that is secured through distributed ledger technology.

The Secretary of State is currently researching this complex issue. At this point, the agency does not believe there is any fiscal impact. If, after further study, the Secretary of State’s estimate changes, this fiscal note will be updated accordingly.

No fiscal impact.

<b>ADMINSTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSES</b>		
LB: 695	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Secretary of State
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COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with Secretary of State’s assessment of fiscal impact.		

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**2018**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 695**

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup> Nebraska Secretary of State's Office

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

	<u>FY 2018-19</u>		<u>FY 2019-20</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:**

LB 695 amends the definition of both digital and electronic signature to include a signature that is secured through distributed ledger technology. Distributed ledger technology is a complex subject, and research is being conducted to determine if there is any impact on the Secretary of State's duties related to this change in definition. At this time, there is no fiscal impact to report. We may have to request funding in the future, if the impact expands duties.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2018-19</u>	<u>2019-20</u>
	<u>18-19</u>	<u>19-20</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____