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**LB 555**

Revision: 00

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

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)</b>				
	<b>FY 2019-20</b>		<b>FY 2020-21</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	

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

This bill creates the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act. The act requires hospitals to provide medically and factually accurate information to victims of sexual assault on emergency contraception and dispense a complete course of emergency contraceptives to victims who request it. Complaints under the act would be investigated by the Department of Health and Human Services. Failure to comply with the act would result in penalties.

Investigating complaints would increase the workload of the department, but the extent is unknown. Workloads may need to be prioritized to meet the requirement that complaints are immediately investigated. Revisions to the hospital survey form would be done with existing resources.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSE</b>			
<b>LB: 555 (025)</b>	<b>AM:</b>	<b>AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services</b>	
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COMMENTS: No basis to dispute the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services estimate of Potential, but Indeterminate Fiscal Impact to the Agency from LB 555.			

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

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

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	<u>FY 2019-2020</u>		<u>FY 2020-2021</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
<b>GENERAL FUNDS</b>				
<b>CASH FUNDS</b>				
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<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	See below		See below	

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

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB 555 requires all hospitals to comply with the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act created by this bill. The act states that a hospital must provide written and oral information regarding emergency contraception, offer the victim the option to accept emergency contraception and provide emergency contraception when requested. Also, LB 555 requires that any complaint that the department receives regarding the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act must be investigated immediately.

LB 555 may create new work for the Department, however no accurate basis was found to determine the possible complaint frequency associated with this new category. The Department may have difficulty with performing immediate investigations due to the existing workload and staff size, and due to the involved facility's location and current location of facility surveyors.

The current facility survey form used by the department will need to be revised in order to add the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act as a procedure to review during hospital surveys.

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2019-2020	2020-2021
	19-20	20-21	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
<b>TOTAL.....</b>				