

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

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2021-22</b>		<b>FY 2022-23</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS			\$2,037,140	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			\$2,037,140	

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

LB538 creates the Community Schools Act and amends §79-1035.

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) will administer the Community Schools Act and employ two people to oversee, monitor, and assist in operations under the act.

The commissioner of education will establish a competitive application process and timeline in which a community school consortium may submit an application for pilot program funding on behalf of an eligible school. Beginning with school year 2022-23, the board, upon recommendation of the commissioner, will award pilot program funding to two eligible schools in each congressional district to plan, implement, and improve community school programming.

An eligible school may receive up to one hundred fifty thousand dollars in pilot project funding for each of five consecutive school fiscal years.

Each community school receiving pilot project will hire or contract with a partner agency to hire a site coordinator, who will be a member of the community school leadership team, to coordinate community school programming at such community school.

In awarding funding, the commissioner will prioritize, in addition to factors related to the community school plan and other requirements of the Community Schools Act, eligible schools with significant populations of students who qualify for free or reduced-price lunches, eligible schools with a significant proportion of homeless students, highly mobile students, or students with disabilities and equity among eligible urban, suburban, and rural schools.

On or before July 1 following the completion of the pilot project, each community school will submit a report to the board and electronically to the Education Committee of the Legislature and will make such report available at the community school and on the community school and school district web sites. The report will describe efforts to integrate community school programming and the effect of the transition to a community school on participating children and adults.

NDE estimates a cost of \$207,140 for the two required FTE's with an additional \$30,000 for operating expenses. There are six congressional districts in Nebraska so twelve school districts will be eligible to receive \$150,000 annually, the five year cost of funding for those districts will be equal to \$1,800,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE

LB: 538 (REVISED) AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Education

REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush DATE: 1/29/21 PHONE: (402) 471-4161

COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the fiscal impact estimate provided by the agency. Based on information provided by the Board of Educational Lands and Funds, the amount of revenue generated from the income of solar and wind agreements would not support the amount identified by the agency. Additionally, the funding identified in the bill would reduce the amount of apportionments that the school districts receives. Apportionment is included as a receipt in the TEEOSA formula.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE

LB: 538 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: State Treasurer

REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush DATE: 2/3/21 PHONE: (402) 471-4161

COMMENTS: Agree with the agency's estimate of no fiscal impact to the agency.

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**2021**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 538**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup> Education

Prepared by: <sup>(3)</sup> Steve Bauers Date Prepared: <sup>(4)</sup> 1/26/2021 Phone: <sup>(5)</sup> 402-890-8136

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

	<u>FY 2021-22</u>		<u>FY 2022-23</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	\$2,037,140.00	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>\$2,037,140.00</u>	<u>_____</u>

Explanation of Estimate: The bill creates a pilot program for the development of Community Schools in Nebraska. The Department of Education would administer the Community Schools Act and employ two persons to oversee, monitor, and assist in operations under the act. Beginning with school year 2022-23, the board of education shall award pilot program funding to two eligible schools in each congressional district. Each eligible school may receive up to \$150,000.00 for each of five consecutive school fiscal years for a total cost of \$1,800,000.

NDE estimates it would need \$30,000 in funding to support the Community Schools Act, \$20,000 for expenses such as meetings, travel, room rentals to administer the requirements in the Community Schools Act. In addition, the department will need to employ two persons starting in 2022-23 at an estimated cost of \$187,141.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
	<u>21-22</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Program Specialist II	_____	1.0	_____	\$55,938.00
Education Specialist II	_____	1.0	_____	\$55,938.00
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	\$75,264.00
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	\$30,000.00
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	\$20,000.00
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	1,800,000.00
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	_____	_____	_____	<u>\$2,037,140</u>

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**2021**

**LB<sup>(1)</sup> 538**

**FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: <sup>(2)</sup> State Treasurer

Prepared by: <sup>(3)</sup> Jason Walters Date Prepared: <sup>(4)</sup> January 27, 2021 Phone: <sup>(5)</sup> 402-471-2793

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

	<u>FY 2021-22</u>		<u>FY 2022-23</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:**

The State Treasurer's Office doesn't expect any fiscal impact from LB 538 to the office.

**BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**Personal Services:**

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2021-22</u>	<u>2022-23</u>
	<u>21-22</u>	<u>22-23</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
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Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____