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LB 1155

Revision: 00

FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2024-25		FY 2025-26	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
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 appropriates \$5,000,000 in federal funds, American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery funds, in FY25 for federally qualified health centers (FQHCs). This funding is designated for distribution to the seven FQHCs based on the proportion of uninsured clients served.

The bill earmarks \$15 million of DHHS program 502 appropriation of General Funds in FY24 for innovation grants to the FQHCs, but does not increase the total appropriation. The bill states legislative intent that these innovation grants be disbursed by June 30, 2026.

DHHS indicates that one additional Program Manager would be needed to administer the new grant program and monitor subaward agreements. The agency estimates the work of this new employee would be completed by December 31, 2026.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE				
LB:	1155	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services	
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COMMENTS: Concur with the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services' assessment of fiscal impact.				
<u>Technical Note:</u> The current appropriation language is not sufficient to create an appropriation. The fiscal impact assessment assumes an accompanying A-bill articulating appropriation in accordance with §49-804.				

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 2024-2025</u>		<u>FY 2025-2026</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$101,623	\$0	\$106,704	\$0
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$5,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$5,101,623	\$0	\$106,704	\$0

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 1155 earmarks \$15,000,000 in General Funds for the current fiscal year FY2023-2024 but does not appropriate funds for the earmark. The bill appropriates \$5,000,000 in Federal Funds for the fiscal year FY2024-2025 to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for Program 502 – Public Health Aid.

Federal State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds appropriated for State Fiscal Year 2024-2025 would be distributed to the seven (7) Federal Program 330 community health centers for behavioral health services as specified. Subawards would be made to the community health centers to ensure funds are spent for the purpose stated in LB 1155.

If an associated “A” Bill for LB 1155 is passed to appropriate the funds, \$15,000,000 would be added to the current State Fiscal Year 2023-2024 General Fund appropriation for Program 502. Funds are to be used for awarding grants to the seven (7) Federal Program 330 community health centers for innovation programs as specified. The current General Fund appropriation to Program 502 – Public Health Aid is \$11,314,060 and fully committed to other aid activity. Therefore, to implement and execute LB 1155, additional appropriations would be required.

DHHS would incur additional administrative costs to develop, procure, administer, and monitor the grant and subaward agreements. It is estimated that an additional 1.0 temporary FTE DHHS Program Manager I would be required to perform this work.

Administrative costs for LB 1155 would need to be appropriated under Program 033 – Administration using General Funds. These costs would be incurred until closeout of all grants and subawards. It is anticipated this work would be completed by December 31, 2026.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2024-2025 EXPENDITURES	2025-2026 EXPENDITURES
	24-25	25-26		
G78791 DHHS Program Manager I	1.0	1.0	\$59,413	\$62,384
Benefits.....			\$20,795	\$21,834
Operating.....			\$21,415	\$22,486
Travel.....				

Capital Outlay.....		
Aid.....	\$5,000,000	\$0
Capital Improvements.....		
TOTAL.....	\$5,101,623	\$106,704