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LB 500

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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2023-24		FY 2024-25	
	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 500 updates language from LB 376, which was passed in 2022. LB 376 required the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to apply for a Family Support Program waiver, which is a three-year waiver to administer home and community-based services to children with developmental disabilities who are currently on the DHHS developmental disability waiting list. As of December 1, 2023, the Family Support Program waiver has not been fully implemented as the DHHS Division of Developmental Disabilities is in the process of submission and approval for the waivers from Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS).

LB 500 would establish a beginning date of December 1, 2024 for DHHS to submit annual reports. The bill would extend the date from December 15, 2023 to December 15, 2025 to submit an independent evaluation of the state’s developmental disabilities system by a nationally recognized consultant.

LB 500 removes the three-year limit for the waivers as provided in LB 376. There is no fiscal impact for the current biennium. However, DHHS would incur general and federal fund costs in the future biennium to continue the Family Support Program waiver program. (FY 26-27) Part of the current appropriation for LB 376 was funded through the ARPA Sec. 9817, that will expire in the FY 24-25 biennium, would also have to be off-set by general and federal funds in the FY 26-27 biennium. These would be on-going annual costs.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE				
LB:	500	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services	
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COMMENTS: Concur with the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services’ assessment of fiscal impact in the 2025-2027 biennium.				

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 2023-2024</u>		<u>FY 2024-2025</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
CASH FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
OTHER FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL FUNDS	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 500 updates language from LB 376, which was passed in 2022. LB 376 required the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to apply for a three-year waiver to administer a home and community-based services family support program for children with developmental disabilities who are currently on the DHHS developmental disability waiting list. The appropriation included funding from the ARPA Sec 9817 cash funding that will expire in the FY24-FY25 biennium.

LB 500 removes the three-year time limit so this bill would result in an increase in general fund cost during the FY26-27 biennium. There would have already been a general fund cost in the FY26-27 biennium following the expiration of the ARPA cash funds and depending on when the three-year period of the waiver ended. With LB500 removing the three-year period, the general fund cost in the FY26-27 biennium will increase due to the waiver now extending indefinitely.

There is no cost to DHHS during FY24 and FY25 as a result of LB 500.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

PERSONAL SERVICES:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2023-2024 EXPENDITURES	2024-2025 EXPENDITURES
	23-24	24-25		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$0	\$0