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LB 582

Revision: 00

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	See below		See below				
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.

LB582 creates the Manufacturing Modernization Pilot Investment (MMPI) Act, a grant program to be administered by the Nebraska Department of Economic Development (DED).

LB562:

- Defines eligible grantees;
- Sets the application window for 10/1/2023 11/1/2023;
- Prescribes preference for grant applicants;
- Creates the Manufacturing Modernization Pilot Investment Fund;
- Sets intent to appropriate an unspecified amount of dollars from the General Fund.

It is not possible to estimate demand and potential for increased administrative burden. DED's estimate based on 200-300 applications appears reasonable.

ADMINI	STRATIVE SERVIC	ES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE
LB: 582	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Economic Development

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COMMENTS: The Department of Economic Development assessment of fiscal impact from LB 582 appears reasonable.

<u>Technical Note</u>: The current appropriation language is expressed as intent. The fiscal impact assessment assumes an accompanying A-bill articulating appropriation in accordance with §49-804.

LB ⁽¹⁾ 582				FISCAL NOTE			
State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2)		Nebraska Department of Economic Development					
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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION							
	FY 9	2023-24	FY 2024-25				
	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>			
GENERAL FUNDS	\$264,700		\$210,140				
CASH FUNDS							
FEDERAL FUNDS							
OTHER FUNDS							
TOTAL FUNDS	\$264,700		\$210,140				

Explanation of Estimate:

LB582 creates the *Manufacturing Modernization Pilot Investment Fund* which is to provide one-time grants of up to \$250,000 to manufacturing firms that provide 1-to-1 matching funds towards a project that will increase the adoption rate of advanced technologies into its production process. The bill contains intent language to appropriate an unknown number of dollars to provide modernization grants. However, it appears that the bill does not transfer funds to the new cash fund.

Eligible firms demonstrate match, operate under a NAICS code that lies between 31 and 33, have been under operation for at least three years, employ a minimum of three full time employees, and realize 51% of its gross revenue from sales of its manufactured goods. There are over 2,000 businesses in Nebraska meeting the NAICS criteria with more than five employees. It is assumed that 10 to 15 percent of these firms could apply for the grant within the application window.

Based on 200-300 applications, administering the program would require the services of 0.25 FTE Attorney II to assist with contracts and rules and regulations, 1.0 FTE Economic Development Business Consultant II to manage the program, and 0.5 FTE Accountant III to process payments. Operating costs include the approximately \$80,000 to contract with a grant management firm to create the application and software licenses, and \$4,000 for additional leased space.

BREAKDO	OWN BY MAJO	OR OBJECTS OF	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>					
Personal Services:								
	NUMBER OF	POSITIONS	2023-24	2024-25				
POSITION TITLE	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES				
G31113 Attorney II	0.25	0.25	\$18,850	\$19,600				
A49012 Econ Dev Bus Consultant II	1.00	1.00	66,430	69,090				
A19013 Accountant III	0.25	0.50	15,790	31,580				
Total	1.50	1.75	\$101,070	\$120,270				
Benefits			40,430	48,610				
Operating			104,490	29,110				
Travel	10,110	12,150						
Capital outlay	8,600	0						
Aid	0	0						
Capital improvements			0	0				
TOTAL	\$264,700	\$210,140						