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FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *							
	FY 2011-12		FY 2012-13				
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE			
GENERAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000				
CASH FUNDS							
FEDERAL FUNDS							
OTHER FUNDS							
TOTAL FUNDS	\$10,000		\$10,000				

^{*}Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 693 would adopt the Alcoholic Liquor Liability Act.

The bill provides a cause of action for any person who has sustained injury or property damage, or the estate of any person killed, as a result of the negligence of an intoxicated person against a licensee who served alcoholic liquor to the intoxicated person when the licensee knew or should have known the person was intoxicated or would become intoxicated. Any action under the act must be brought within four years after the occurrence.

Licensee is defined as a person holding a license issued under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act to sell at retail.

The bill requires every retailer to furnish proof of financial responsibility to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission in an amount to be determined by the Commission.

Retailer is defined as a licensee, any agent or employee of the licensee, or any person who at the time of the events leading to an action under the Act was required to have a license under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act in order to sell alcoholic liquor at retail.

LB 693 has an operative date of January 1, 2012.

The Liquor Control Commission has indicated an expenditure of approximately \$10,000 per fiscal year to accomplish the purposes set forth in Section 9 of the bill regarding financial responsibility. The Commission regulates approximately 4,000 plus retailers who would need to provide proof of financial responsibility. The Commission indicates they would need to contract with an insurance underwriting company to evaluate and set rates and review risks per class of retail license and also conduct public hearings. The cost projected by the Commission is based on the provisions of the bill applying only to the licensed retailer and not every employee or agent of the retail license.

There is no basis to disagree with the Commission's estimate of expenditure.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS

NEBRASKA LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION: No basis to disagree with the estimate of impact.

Agree that determining the administrative costs of LB 693 is difficult.

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Nebraska Liquor Control Commission

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Estimate Provided By State Agency or Political Subdivision

	FY 2011-2012		FY 2012-2013	
	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue
General Funds	10,000.00		10,000.00	
Cash Funds	· · ·			
Federal Funds		· · · ·		
Other Funds				
Total Funds	10,000.00		10,000.00	

Explanation of Estimate:

Date: 2/25/2011

Section 9, Line 20 thru line 24

The Commission will carry the responsibilty in setting the initial amount of the liability insurance, set up a data base, and continue in a monotoring mode. There are some 4000 plus retailers that would be impacted. It appears the Commission would need to contract with an insurance underwriting company to evaluate and set rates and review risks per class of Retail License and also conduct public hearings. The administrative costs is extremely difficult to project but the Commission submits an estimated cost of \$10,000.00. This estimated impact is based off the assumption that the bills provision only apply to the licensed retailer and not every employee or agent of the retail licensee.

Major Objects of Expenditure

	Number of Positions		FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013
Position Title	FY 2011-2012	FY 2012-2013	Expenditures	Expenditures
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		Benefits		
		Operating	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
		Travel		
		Capital outlay		
		Aid		
		Capital improvements		
		Total	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00