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**LB 927**

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# FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

## ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES \*

	FY 2012-13		FY 2013-14	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

\*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 927 would allow a livestock brand to be an accepted form of official identification for cattle moved in and out of the state. There would be no direct impact to the Department of Agriculture as a result of LB 927.

The Department of Agriculture notes that it currently requires individual animal identification for certain classes of cattle that may present more of a risk to the health of breeding herds. If brands are used as the only means to trace disease infection, the ability to individually trace infected animals may be diminished. This could result in increased investigation costs in the event of a disease outbreak.

### DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS					
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE: I have no basis to disagree with NE Dept. of Agriculture's statement. NEBRASKA BRAND COMMITTEE: I have no basis to disagree with the Nebraska Brand Committee's statement.					

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LB<sup>(1)</sup> 927 FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2) Department of Agriculture

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2012-2013		FY 2013-2014	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

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

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 927 will require the Department of Agriculture (NDA) to recognize cattle brands to be official identification for export or import. At present NDA requires individual identification for import of certain classes of cattle that have the most likely long-term impact to the health of the state's breeding herd. The bill, as written, would decrease the individual identification requirement for those animals covered under the Nebraska Brand Statutes. While this change would not create an automatic, direct fiscal impact to NDA regarding import monitoring, the change does create a less traceable cattle supply within our breeding stock, which in the event of a livestock disease finding, could significantly increase the cost of disease eradication efforts of NDA. As a point of reference, as a result of identifying three tuberculosis-infected cows within herds in 2009, the State spent over \$1,200,000 to comply with USDA requirements to assure the disease had not spread beyond the infected herds.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2012-2013	2013-2014
	12-13	13-14	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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# FISCAL NOTE LB927 Nebraska Brand Committee

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**Estimate Provided By State Agency or Political Subdivision**

	FY 2012-2013		FY 2013-2014	
	Expenditures	Revenue	Expenditures	Revenue
General Funds				
Cash Funds				
Federal Funds				
Other Funds				
Total Funds				

**Explanation of Estimate:**

This bill as written would have no fiscal impact on our agency.

**Major Objects of Expenditure**

Position Title	Number of Positions		FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014
	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014	Expenditures	Expenditures
		Benefits		
		Operating		
		Travel		
		Capital outlay		
		Aid		
		Capital improvements		
		Total		