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LB 1141

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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	See below		See below	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

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

LB 1141 would require the reimbursement of travel expenses of National Guard members activated for state duty at the rates specified in the Joint Federal Travel Regulations rather than those specified under state travel policies. There may be an increase in costs in those situations where applying the federal per diem rates exceed what would be allowed by following the state travel policy. Any increase in expense reimbursements is expected to be relatively minor and may be offset somewhat by cost savings from a streamlined administrative process that uses per diem rates instead of proof of actual expenditures. The actual fiscal impact is dependent on the number of Guard members that are on state duty and will vary from year-to-year. Any increase in costs are expected to be minor enough to be absorbed by the Military Department without an increase in their appropriation.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS					
NEBRASKA MILITARY DEPARTMENT: No basis to dispute agency analysis relative to the Military Department.					

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2) Nebraska Military Department-031

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2012-2013		FY 2013-2014	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
	Undetermined/ Variable		Undetermined/ Variable	
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:

Due to the variable nature of State Active Duty (SAD), i.e., length of duty and location of duty, the Nebraska Military Department is not able to provide an estimate of overall fiscal impact. However, using a random sample of submitted Expense Reimbursement documents from Nebraska National Guard members called to SAD in response to the 2011 Floods, we are able to provide the following daily cost comparison model:

Average Expense Reimbursement (meals and lodging) for 2011 Flood Response = \$105/day

Joint Federal Travel Regulation (JFTR) daily flat rate per diem cost = \$123 (maximum)*

We believe the cost differential of \$18/day would be offset by eliminating or minimizing the additional work (e.g., data entry, pre-audit and approval reviews, final audit), operational costs (paper, copying expenses, document storage) and over-time expense necessary to process individual Expense Reimbursement documents using the methodology applied during the 2011 Floods. If the language in this bill were enacted we would not anticipate that additional appropriations would be required for the Governor's Emergency Fund.

*Maximum lodging expense = \$77 per day; lodging reimbursed for actual expense using the JFTR

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2012-2013	2013-2014
	12-13	13-14	EXPENDITURES	EXPENDITURES
Not Applicable	N/A	N/A	Undetermined	Undetermined
Benefits.....			Undetermined	Undetermined
Operating.....			Undetermined	Undetermined
Travel.....			Undetermined	Undetermined
Capital outlay.....			Undetermined	Undetermined
Aid.....			Undetermined	Undetermined
Capital improvements.....			Undetermined	Undetermined
TOTAL.....			Undetermined	Undetermined