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LB 322

Revision: 00 FISCAL NOTE LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)					
	FY 2013-14		FY 2014-15		
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	
GENERAL FUNDS	100,000 to 200,000				
CASH FUNDS					
FEDERAL FUNDS					
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL FUNDS	100,000 to 200,000				

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

LB 322 would direct the Department of Natural Resources to conduct an environmental study to consider the impact of the placement of a flood control dam on the Blue River near Crete, Nebraska. The department would be allowed to enter into contracts to conduct the study and would be required to complete the study by December 1, 2013.

The cost to conduct the study would depend upon the extent of investigation required. Based upon legislation introduced in 2008 that would have appropriated \$100,000 to fund a similar study, the cost of LB 322 is estimated to range from \$100,000 to \$200,000 General Funds.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES					
LB:	322	AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Natural Resources			
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COMMENTS: I agree with the Department of Natural Resource's statement.					

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LB⁽¹⁾ 322 FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2)		Natural Resources					
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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION							
	<u>FY 20</u>	<u>13-14</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2014-15</u>			
	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>			
GENERAL FUND	DS						
CASH FUNDS							
FEDERAL FUND	S						
OTHER FUNDS							
TOTAL FUNDS							

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

Explanation of Estimate:

The Agency is unable to determine fiscal impact. The bill requires DNR to conduct an environmental study of the placement of a flood control dam on the Blue River near Crete. Although DNR does not conduct environmental studies in the normal course of its statutory duties and therefore lacks the necessary expertise to perform them, the bill provides that DNR may enter into a contract for the purposes of conducting the bill's single environmental study. However, the bill does not provide sufficient factual information for DNR to solicit proposals in a competitive bidding process for such a contract. The scope of such a study, and thus the cost and fiscal impact to the agency, may therefore not be reasonably determined without more factual information, such as some more detailed description, application, or plan for some specific dam construction project.

MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE					
Personal Services:					
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS <u>13-14</u> <u>14-15</u>		2013-14 EXPENDITURES	2014-15 EXPENDITURES	
Benefits					
Operating					
Travel					
Capital outlay					
Aid					
Capital improvements					
TOTAL					