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LB 444

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					
CASH FUNDS	\$144,798	\$540,000	\$141,798	\$585,000	
FEDERAL FUNDS					
OTHER FUNDS					
TOTAL FUNDS	\$144,798	\$540,000	\$141,798	\$585,000	

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

LB 444 amends the Nebraska Liquor Control Act.

The bill requires, by November 1, 2014, that all retail liquor license holders shall only employ individuals to sell or serve alcohol who have successfully completed an alcoholic beverage-service program and been certified as having successfully completed such a program by the Liquor Control Commission.

Any retail licensee who violates the employment requirement may have its license suspended, canceled, or revoked by the Commission.

The bill further provides that at all times that liquor is being lawfully sold or dispensed on any licensed premise under the Act, that the licensee shall provide for an employee or authorized representative who is twenty-one years of age or older to be present.

In order to receive a certificate from the Commission, an individual must file an application with the Commission, provide proof of successful completion of a training course, and pay a \$15 fee.

The fee is to be credited to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission Rule and Regulation Cash Fund and the Commission may use the Fund to administer the certification program.

The Liquor Control Commission estimates that there are 60,000 individuals working in the retail service liquor industry and that there is an annual turnover rate of 25%.

It is assumed that while a majority of these individuals will take the required training course and become certified during the 2013-14 fiscal year, a substantial number will wait until the 2014-15 fiscal year just prior to the cut-off date of November 1, 2014. We believe approximately 60% will become certified in FY2013-14 and the remainder, along with additional new employees will become certified in FY2014-15.

The Commission estimates that they will require an additional 2.0 FTE, Staff Assistant I positions, to adequately carry out the provisions of LB 444. These staff positions will handle database management, manage the fee transactions, prepare certificates, monitor training programs, and attend actual training sessions to verify statutory requirements. This estimate includes PSL of \$55,236 for each fiscal year.

There is no basis to disagree with the Liquor Control Commission's estimate of cost.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES				
LB: 444 AM: AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Liquor Control Commission				
REVIEWED BY: Gary Bush		DATE: February 28, 2013	PHONE: 471-4161	
COMMENTS: The estimate by the Liquor Control Commission appears to be reasonable				

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LB⁽¹⁾ 444 FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: (2)

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	FY 2013-14		<u>FY 2014-15</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>	EXPENDITURES	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	144,798	\$900,000	141,798	\$225,000
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	144,798	\$900,000	141,798	\$225,000

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

Explanation of Estimate: It is estimated that there are 60,000 individuals that work in a retail service liquor industry. Also, projected is an annual turnover of 25%. FTE position would be needed to maintain the commissions database; entry of money into deposits; send information to print shop for printing of certificates; monitor certified training programs; attend training programs to verify meeting statute requirements.

M.A	AJOR OBJECT	S OF EXPENDI	ΓURE	
Personal Services:				
POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF <u>13-14</u>	POSITIONS 14-15	2013-14 EXPENDITURES	2014-15 EXPENDITURES
Staff Assistant I	2.0	2.0	\$55,236	\$55,236
Benefits			\$39,562	\$39,562
Operating			\$40,000	\$40,000
Travel			\$5,000	\$5,000
Capital outlay			\$5,000	\$2,000
Aid				
Capital improvements				
TOTAL			\$144,798	\$141,798