

FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2015-16		FY 2016-17	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

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

LB 424 amends Nebraska Revised Statutes dealing with the nameplate capacity tax.

The bill expands the tax to include electrical generation facilities that use solar, biomass, or landfill gas as a fuel source.

The bill expands the exemption from property tax to include any depreciable tangible personal property used directly in the generation of electricity using solar, biomass, or landfill gas as the fuel source if such property was installed on or after the operative date of this bill and has a nameplate capacity of 100 kilowatts or more.

The bill also amends several sections of statute that refer to wind or wind turbine and replaces those terms with renewable energy or renewable energy generation facility.

The bill has an operative date of January 1, 2016.

There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund as a result of LB 424.

The Department of Revenue indicates the cost to implement LB 424 will be minimal.

We agree with the Department of Revenue's estimate of cost.

IMPACT TO POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS:

The Nebraska Association of County Officials estimates that the fiscal impact to counties will be minimal.

We have no basis to disagree with the Association's estimate of fiscal impact.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB: 424	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Dept. of Revenue	
REVIEWED BY: Lyn Heaton		DATE: 3/3/2015	PHONE: 471-4181
COMMENTS: Concur. No fiscal impact on the Department of Revenue.			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB: 424	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: NE. Assoc. of County Officials (NACO)	
REVIEWED BY: Lyn Heaton		DATE: 3/3/2015	PHONE: 471-4181
COMMENTS: Concur with the NACO estimate of minimal fiscal impact.			

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LB⁽¹⁾ 424

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Nebraska Association of County Officials (NACO)

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2015-16</u>		<u>FY 2016-17</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	=====	=====	=====

Explanation of Estimate:

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2015-16</u>	<u>2016-17</u>
	<u>15-16</u>	<u>16-17</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

LB 424 would change provisions relating to the nameplate capacity funds. Solar, biomass or landfill gas would be included as fuel sources for depreciable tangible personal property with such property being exempt if it was installed after the operative date of this act and has a nameplate capacity of one hundred kilowatts or more. The fiscal impact is minimal to counties. This would create an exemption that would decrease the tax base and result in a tax shift.