

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2016-17		FY 2017-18	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS		See below		See below
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

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

Current statute allows the child or stepchild of a veteran who has died or is disabled as specified in 80-411 to receive tuition and fee waivers from the University of Nebraska, the state colleges, and the community colleges, provided certain age restrictions are met. LB 766 eliminates these age restrictions, thus increasing the number of individuals that will be eligible for the tuition and fee waivers. What is unknown is how many of the newly eligible individuals will actually apply for tuition and fee waivers.

Fiscal note responses were received from the following schools and are paraphrased as follows. See their attached fiscal notes for additional information:

University of Nebraska – Indicates that there would likely be some cost, but the amount would be nominal.

Nebraska State College System – Indicates a minimal impact since they do not anticipate significant additional utilization.

Nebraska Community College Association – No fiscal impact.

Metropolitan Community College – Indicates the fiscal impact is “very hard to estimate, but it could double the current cost of this program”. This would equate to a \$200,000 per year tuition/fee revenue loss.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB: 766	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS	
REVIEWED BY: James Van Bruggen		DATE: 1/21/16	PHONE: 471-4179
COMMENTS: There is no basis to disagree with the Department of Veterans Affairs.			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB:766	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. Metropolitan Community College	
REVIEWED BY: James Van Bruggen		DATE: 1/21/16	PHONE: 471-4179
COMMENTS: Metropolitan Community College's estimate is high. Further review is needed to determine how many individuals could possibly qualify and actually enroll.			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB:766	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. University of Nebraska	
REVIEWED BY: James Van Bruggen		DATE: 1/13/16	PHONE: 471-4179
COMMENTS: There is no basis to disagree with the information provided by University of Nebraska.			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES			
LB:766	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. Nebraska Community College Association	
REVIEWED BY: James Van Bruggen		DATE: 1/12/16	PHONE: 471-4179
COMMENTS: Concur with the Nebraska Community College Association's assumption.			

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ GARY MAIXNER

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ JAN 8, 2016

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-2458

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>		<u>FY 2017-18</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:

No Fiscal Impact to NDVA

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2016-17</u>	<u>2017-18</u>
	<u>16-17</u>	<u>17-18</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Metropolitan Community College

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ David Koebel

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 1/8/2015

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-457-2391

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>		<u>FY 2017-18</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	\$200,000		\$200,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$200,000</u>		<u>\$200,000</u>	

Explanation of Estimate:

Our cost of the current veteran-dependent tuition waivers has averaged about \$200,000 per year over the last few years. The additional cost of eliminating the age limit of 26 and the maximum 5-year period after discharge is very hard to estimate, but it could double the current cost of this program.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2016-17 EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2017-18 EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>16-17</u>	<u>17-18</u>		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....			\$200,000	\$200,000
Travel.....				
Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			<u>\$200,000</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Nebraska Community College Association

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Dennis Baack

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ January 12, 2016

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-4685

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>		<u>FY 2017-18</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:

No fiscal impact.

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_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ University of Nebraska

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Michael Justus Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ Jan 12, 2016 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-472-2191

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>		<u>FY 2017-18</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:

LB 766 essentially removes the current age limitation for the waiver of tuition for spouses and dependents of certain veterans. There would likely be some cost, but the amount would be nominal and no fiscal note is deemed necessary.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

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	<u>16-17</u>	<u>17-18</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
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_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Nebraska State College System

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Carolyn Murphy

Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 01/13/2016

Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-2505

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2016-17</u>		<u>FY 2017-18</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
CASH FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
FEDERAL FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
OTHER FUNDS	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL FUNDS	=====	Minimal Impact	=====	Minimal Impact

Explanation of Estimate:

LB766 eliminates the age limits for children of certain deceased veterans and disabled veterans to receive a tuition and fee waiver at the Colleges of the NSCS. Under the current statute, the NSCS provided 22 awards during the 2014-15 fiscal year to spouses and children with a total value of \$81,523. While there is the potential for additional tuition and fee waivers to be required by the proposed changes, the NSCS does not anticipate that there would be significant additional utilization.

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Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____