

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE**

| <b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates) |                   |         |                   |         |
|---|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------|
|   | <b>FY 2016-17</b> |         | <b>FY 2017-18</b> |         |
|   | 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.**

This bill provides for an unearned income disregard in the ADC Program, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and the Child Care Subsidy Program for income received for participation in grant-funded research on the impact that income has on the development of children in low-income families. The income from the grant-funded research cannot exceed \$4,000 per year for a maximum of four years.

Nebraska has been selected to participate in a research project funded by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services' National Institutes of Health. The study seeks to determine whether increased income has a causal effect on cognitive, social-emotional and brain development of infants and toddlers in low-income families. Current eligible clients will be selected for the study, so there will be no change in the number of families served by the state. Also, no state funding will be used for the study. There is no fiscal impact.

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| ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES-STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSES   |     |                       |                 |
| LB: 1081   | AM: | AGENCY/POLT. SUB: HHS |                 |
| REVIEWED BY: Elton Larson  |     | DATE: 2/9/16          | PHONE: 471-4173 |
| COMMENTS: Counting the income that would be disregarded with the passage of LB LB1081 would likely make TANF recipients ineligible for continuance of TANF benefits, resulting in a decrease in federal TANF expenditures if the grant income were accepted. However, it should be noted that if the grant awards are not disregarded the grant program would probably not be created. |     |                       |                 |

**ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

State Agency or Political Subdivision Name:(2) Department of Health and Human Services

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|                      | <u>FY 2016-2017</u> |            | <u>FY 2017-2018</u> |            |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
|                      | EXPENDITURES        | REVENUE    | EXPENDITURES        | REVENUE    |
| <b>GENERAL FUNDS</b> |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>CASH FUNDS</b>    |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b> |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>OTHER FUNDS</b>   |                     |            |                     |            |
| <b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>   | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$0</b>          | <b>\$0</b> |

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

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB 1081 provides an unearned income disregard for research study income provided to current TANF participants. Since the participants in the research study must be current TANF participants, there would be no increase in benefits or cases if this bill passes.

Without the disregard contained in LB 1081, there is the potential that a client would become ineligible for TANF benefits if they participate in a research study. This could result in a decrease in TANF expenditures.

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

| PERSONAL SERVICES:        | POSITION TITLE | NUMBER OF POSITIONS |        | 2016-2017    | 2017-2018    |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------|--------------|--------------|
|                           |                | 16-17               | 17--18 | EXPENDITURES | EXPENDITURES |
| Benefits.....             |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Operating.....            |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Travel.....               |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Capital Outlay.....       |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Aid.....                  |                |                     |        |              |              |
| Capital Improvements..... |                |                     |        |              |              |
| <b>TOTAL.....</b>         |                |                     |        | <b>\$0</b>   | <b>\$0</b>   |