

FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2019-20		FY 2020-21	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	15,000 – 30,000		15,000	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	15,000 – 30,000		15,000	

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

Background

The Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact was repealed by LB 317 (2015), which had an operative date of July 1, 2018. Under compact terms withdrawal from the compact does not take effect until one year after the effective date of the repeal of the compact statute. This provision makes the effective date of withdrawal July 1, 2019 under current law.

Current Law

Based on an effective compact withdrawal date of July 1, 2019, the expenditure savings from ending membership dues are \$15,000 General Funds per year beginning in FY2019-20. The dues are paid by the Legislative Council from Program 501-Intergovernmental Cooperation.

At the time this fiscal note was prepared membership dues for FY2018-19 have not been paid even though under the compact terms Nebraska’s withdrawal is not effective until July 1, 2019.

Impact of LB 401

If membership is reinstated per LB 401 the payment of the \$15,000 annual dues would continue in FY2019-20 and future years. It is not currently known whether the Compact would require Nebraska to catch up on FY2018-19 dues that at the present time have not been paid. If the past is any indication, the Compact will require that the FY2018-19 dues be paid. Nebraska was delinquent on their dues from FY2010 through FY2013 and the Compact required a catch up of these delinquent dues when membership participation was reinstated in FY2014.