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**LB 854**

Revision: 00

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

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)</b>				
	<b>FY 2022-23</b>		<b>FY 2023-24</b>	
	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>
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 requires the Division of Children and Family Services to immediately notify the Division of Public Health that the subject of a child abuse or neglect report is a child care provider.

The Division of Children and Family Services currently notifies the Division of Public Health if a child care provider is the subject of an alleged abuse or neglect report. The term "immediately" is not defined in the bill. The current process may need to be accelerated if the notification is to be sooner than is currently done.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSE</b>			
LB: 854	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	
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COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services' assessment of fiscal impact.			

**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 2022-2023</u>		<u>FY 2023-2024</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>		\$0		\$0

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

**Explanation of Estimate:**

LB 854 would require the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Division of Children and Family Services Protection and Safety to immediately notify the DHHS Division of Public Health of a reported allegation of child abuse or neglect by a licensed childcare provider or childcare staff member. Additionally, the Division of Children and Family Services shall inform the Division of Public Health whether or not an investigation by law enforcement or the Department is being undertaken.

DHHS Division of Children and Family services has established and utilizes a process of notification to DHHS Division of Public Health of alleged child abuse or neglect reports. The term "immediately" is not defined in LB 854. It is unclear if the bill would require an accelerated process for notification. The bill could require existing staff to dedicate additional working hours if notification was required to be completed within a shorter interval of time.

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

**PERSONAL SERVICES:**

POSITION TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2022-2023 EXPENDITURES	2023-2024 EXPENDITURES
	22-23	23-24		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
<b>TOTAL.....</b>			\$0	\$0