

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2023-24		FY 2024-25	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	

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

LB449 extends the ending date for the County Bridge Match Program by five additional years, to June 30, 2028. Until June 30, 2023, the Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) shall administer the program utilizing funds from the Transportation Infrastructure Bank Fund. The County Bridge Match Program shall be funded with a newly created County Bridge Match Fund.

The bill states the intent to transfer \$68,000,000 from the General Fund each year, beginning with FY2023-24, to the County Bridge Match Fund.

The funds are to be utilized for administrative costs of the program. In addition, the funds will be used for grant awards to counties who apply to NDOT for the replacement and repair of bridges which have been determined to be structurally deficient by NDOT. The approved usage of these funds does not include bridges on minimum maintenance roads nor bridge-sized culverts. NDOT will decide the amount awarded to each grant, up to 55% of the cost. Plus, NDOT is required to establish a weighted scoring system process based on a number of qualifications, listed in LB449. This bill contains an emergency clause.

The Nebraska State Treasurer has stated no fiscal impact. There is no basis to disagree.

The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) has indicated \$8,000,000 in estimated expenditures in both FY2023-24 and FY2024-25. This would be for grant distribution, and associated administrative costs which would be provided by current employees.

NDOT's estimation of costs appears reasonable.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB:	449	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: State Treasurer
REVIEWED BY:	Lee Will	DATE:	1/28/2023
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COMMENTS: Concur with the State Treasurer's assessment of no fiscal impact.			

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LB⁽¹⁾ 449

FISCAL NOTE

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

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2023-24</u>		<u>FY 2024-25</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS		(\$68,000,000)		(\$68,000,000)
CASH FUNDS	\$8,000,000	\$68,000,000	\$8,000,000	\$68,000,000
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$8,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$8,000,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Explanation of Estimate:

LB 449 proposes the creation of the County Bridge Match fund. After July 1, 2023, the County Bridge Match fund shall fund the County Bridge Match Program until the program terminates on June 30, 2028. It is the intent of the Legislature to transfer sixty-eight million dollars annually from the General Fund to the County Bridge Match Fund beginning fiscal year 2023-24 as distribution for grants through the program and to pay for administrative costs associated with the program.

The bill also states a county may apply to the department for a grant through the County Bridge Match Program on forms provide by the department. The grant shall only be used for replacement and repair of bridges that have been determined to be structurally deficient by the department. Bridge-sized culverts and bridges on minimum maintenance roads shall not be eligible. Counties may receive up to fifty-five percent of the bridge construction cost within the agreed-upon scope of the project, subject to per-bridge limits set by the department.

If LB 449 is enacted, the Department of Transportation estimates eight million dollars per fiscal year of grant distribution and associated administrative cost could be provided by current employees through the program.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2023-24 EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2024-25 EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....			8,000,000	8,000,000
Travel.....				
Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			<u>8,000,000</u>	<u>8,000,000</u>

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ State Treasurer

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Jason Walters Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ January 25, 2023 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-2793

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2023-24</u>		<u>FY 2024-25</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:

The State Treasurer's Office doesn't expect any fiscal impact from LB 449 to the office.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>
	<u>23-24</u>	<u>24-25</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____