

FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2024-25		FY 2025-26	
	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.

LB 922 adopts the Parolee and Probationer Business Empowerment Act.

Section 2 outlines the challenges faced by individuals on parole and probation in rejoining the workforce and starting businesses. To assist their reintegration, the Legislature intends to provide them access to state funding for those who are business owners or executive directors, subject to specific conditions.

Section 3 defines terms for the Act.

Section 4 and 5 establishes the Parolee Business Empowerment Grant Program, designed to provide financial grants to eligible parolees who own or run businesses. The program's aim is to support these businesses' operations and is overseen by the Director of Supervision and Services. Eligible parolees must apply through a prescribed process and meet specific criteria, including proof of business ownership or executive role, business nature, grant usage, and compliance with employment supervision requirements. Specifically, parolees with grants must ensure any employed parolees or probationers are supervised by non-parolees/probationers. Grants can be distributed in various forms (lump-sum, monthly, or other periodic payments) and continue for six months post-parole discharge. Grants are annual, with parolees able to reapply each year.

Section 6 addresses a specific exemption regarding the association of parolees and probationers with each other within the context of an eligible business. It states that eligible parolees or probationers, or those employed by an eligible business, will not be considered in violation of their parole or probation conditions related to associating with other parolees or probationers simply by working together. This exemption applies as long as the interaction is part of their business activities. However, this exemption does not apply if it is known that the other parolee or probationer is engaged in criminal activity.

Section 7 mandates the Director of Supervision and Services and the probation administrator to promote the employment of peer-to-peer specialists to assist individuals on parole and probation in their business ventures, especially in customer service and client management.

Section 8 authorizes both the Board of Parole and the probation administrator to establish and enforce rules and regulations necessary for the implementation of the Parolee and Probationer Business Empowerment Act.

The Nebraska Board of Pardons and Parole states that with their current appropriation it would be unable to fund grants. The estimated fiscal impact is indeterminable at this time.

The Supreme Court states that the fiscal note for LB922 cannot be accurately determined without more details on the bill's scope. However, it's noted that there would be a significant administrative impact if the oversight of total grant awards exceeds \$100,000.

No basis to disagree with the estimates at this time, as the bill does not specify the potential amount of a grant award or other parameters to estimate a total cost of such a program.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE		
LB: 922	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Supreme Court (005)
REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilcox	DATE: 02/16/2024	PHONE: (402) 471-4178
COMMENTS: No disagreement with the Nebraska Supreme Court estimate of Potential, but Indeterminate Fiscal Impact to the Judicial Branch from LB 922.		

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE		
LB: 922	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Board of Parole (015)
REVIEWED BY: Joe Wilcox	DATE: 01/09/2024	PHONE: (402) 471-4178
COMMENTS: LB 922 creates the Parolee Business Empowerment Grant Program. Eligible parolees may apply for grants under this program, The bill does not provide information on the level of grant funding intended, the amount or limit of any individual grant, or the source of funding for such grants. Consequently, I agree with the Board of Parole estimate that LB 922 would have a currently-indeterminate Fiscal Impact on the Agency.		

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FISCAL NOTE

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ 05 Supreme Court

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Eric Asboe Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 2/14/2024 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-326-9215

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2024-25</u>		<u>FY 2025-26</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS	See below			
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS				

Explanation of Estimate:

A substantiated fiscal note cannot be provided at this time without additional information on the scope of LB922. However, there would be a significant administrative impact if total grant award oversight exceeds \$100,000.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2024-25</u>	<u>2025-26</u>
	<u>24-25</u>	<u>25-26</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⁾ Nebraska Board of Parole/Division of Parole Supervision

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Chairperson Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 1/8/2024 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402 479-5731
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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2024-25</u>		<u>FY 2025-26</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:

This agency would not be able to fund grants with our current appropriation.

Fiscal Impact is not able to be determined at this time.

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Personal Services:

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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 Department of Economic Development

Prepared by: ⁽³⁾ Dave Dearmont Date Prepared: ⁽⁴⁾ 2/06/2024 Phone: ⁽⁵⁾ 402-471-3777

ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2024-25</u>		<u>FY 2025-26</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 922 would adopt the Parolee and Probationer Business Empowerment Act to assist parolees in reentering the workforce and establishing businesses. The act would provide individuals who are on parole or probation and are owners or directors of businesses with access state to funding. LB992 would create two grant programs, the Parolee Business Empowerment Grant Program, and the Probationer Business Empowerment Grant Program, administered by the Division of Supervision and Services of the Board of Parole.

LB 922, as drafted, has no impact on the Department of Economic Development.

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