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LB 1392

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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	\$86,048		\$71,524	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	\$86,048		\$71,524	

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

This bill modifies the responsibilities of the Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee within the Nebraska Children’s Commission, a program within the Foster Care Review Office. It renames the committee the Child Welfare and Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee and adds two newly required members. The additional responsibilities would require the addition of 1 FTE Administrative Technician in the amount of \$86,048 in FY25 and \$71,524 in FY26.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB:	1392	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Children’s Commission
REVIEWED BY:	Ann Linneman	DATE:	1-23-2023 PHONE: (402) 471-4180
COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the Nebraska Children’s Commission’s assessment of fiscal impact.			

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Nebraska Children's Commission

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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>
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Explanation of Estimate:

The Nebraska Children's Commission was created as a high level leadership body to create a statewide strategic plan for the reform of child welfare and juvenile justice programs in Nebraska. The Commission provides a permanent forum for collaboration among state, local, community, public, and private stakeholders in child welfare and juvenile justice systems. The Commission relies on volunteer hours from stakeholder leaders from both the public and private sector to complete the tasks of the statutory committees that include: Bridge to Independence Advisory Committee, Juvenile Services Committee, Strengthening Families Act Committee, Alternative Response Committee and the Foster Care Rate Reimbursement Committee. There are two paid staff positions within the Commission, a policy analyst and an administrative programs officer II, to complete the work of 24 committee and workgroups currently created by the Commission. Each committee meets quarterly, and each workgroup meets monthly or semi-monthly totaling at least 150 meetings a year, requiring scheduling, meeting space, meeting minutes, report drafting, and follow up discussion for each.

LB1392 adds additional responsibilities to the Foster Care Rate Reimbursement Committee. This committee meets quarterly, with three workgroups meeting monthly to accomplish the statutory requirements set for the group and only reviews foster care services and agency rates for providing foster care services. LB1392 outlines 16 specific services to add to the Committee's responsibility and at a minimum would result in 16 additional meetings and drafted recommendations. LB1392 also identifies that the Committee would not be limited to these 16 additional services and has potential to grow depending on the services created to best serve Nebraska children and families.

These services are within the scope of what the Commission was created to review and make recommendations on, however, would need an additional staff member to adequately meet the expectations of LB1392. The expenditure estimate reflects this additional staff person and the cost of creating this position to be able to meet all statutory requirements for the Nebraska Children's Commission.

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>
Administrative Technician	1	1	\$38,967	\$37,467
Benefits.....			\$31,081	\$31,057
Operating.....			\$9,500	
Travel.....			\$3,000	\$3,000
Capital outlay.....			\$3,500	
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$86,048	\$71,524