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LB 223

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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2025-26		FY 2026-27	
	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 223 would prohibit discrimination based upon lawful source of income or the receipt of public assistance under the Nebraska Fair Housing Act.

The Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission may receive a greater number of charges filed with the Commission as a result of the bill. As lawful source of income is not a federally covered housing protection, the Commission would not be able to receive reimbursement from HUD pursuant to the work-sharing agreement. However; the Commission does not anticipate a significant fiscal impact, which can be absorbed by the agency, unless there is a significant number of individuals filing solely on the basis of source of income. If this would occur, the Commission may require additional resources.

No fiscal impact.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE				
LB: 223	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission		
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COMMENTS: No basis to disagree with the estimate provided with the assumptions used by the Equal Opportunity Commission.				

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ NE Equal Opportunity Commission

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2025-26</u>		<u>FY 2026-27</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 language in this bill will expand the number of individuals authorized to file a charge with the NEOC under the housing and public accommodations laws. Because this basis is not covered under Federal housing laws, there would be no opportunity of generating any revenue for complaints relative to this law pursuant to our work-sharing agreement with HUD (there is no work-sharing agreement under the Public Accommodations law). While it is clear the agency is capable of conducting the type of investigations the bill may generate, it is impossible to estimate the volume of complaints filed and their fiscal impact. The time spent to investigate these potential state-only complaints will reduce our revenue since these investigations will take time away from charges that are dual-filed with HUD and for which we are paid federal funds.

At this time, we do not anticipate a fiscal impact, though moving forward there could be a need for additional state funding if there are a significant number of individuals solely filing on the basis of Source of Income under the housing statutes

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2025-26 EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2026-27 EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>25-26</u>	<u>26-27</u>		
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Benefits.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Operating.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Travel.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital outlay.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Aid.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
Capital improvements.....	_____	_____	_____	_____
TOTAL.....	_____	_____	_____	_____