

FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)					
EXPENDITURES	GENERAL	CASH	FEDERAL	REVOLVING	TOTAL
FY2025-2026	0	0	0	0	0
FY2026-2027	0	7,500	0	0	7,500
FY2027-2028	0	7,500	0	0	7,500
FY2028-2029	0	7,500	0	0	7,500
REVENUE	GENERAL	CASH	FEDERAL	REVOLVING	TOTAL
FY2025-2026	0	0	0	0	0
FY2026-2027	0	0	0	0	0
FY2027-2028	0	0	0	0	0
FY2028-2029	0	0	0	0	0

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

LB 1027 amends statute regarding electricity.

The bill removes an exemption from sections 70-1012, 70-1012.01, 70-1013, 70-1014, 70-1014.01, and 70-1014.02, for privately developed renewable energy generation facilities.

The bill will require the Power Review Board to hold a hearing to decide if a privately developed renewable energy generation facility can move forward.

The Power Review Board anticipates an average of 7.9 hearings a year at a cost of \$950 per hearing. This averages out to \$7500 in FY2026-27 and \$7500 in FY 2027-28. These estimates appear reasonable.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 1027	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Power Review Board	
REVIEWED BY: Joe Massey		DATE: 1/15/2026	PHONE: (402) 471-4181
COMMENTS: The Nebraska Power Review Board's assessment of fiscal impact from LB 1027 appears reasonable using the assumptions provided			

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE			
LB: 1027	AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: : Nebraska State Electrical Division Agency (30)	
REVIEWED BY: Joe Massey		DATE: 1/15/2026	PHONE: (402) 471-4181
COMMENTS: The Nebraska State Electrical Division Agency's assessment of no net fiscal impact from LB1027 appears reasonable.			

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	FY 2026-27		FY 2026-27	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	No Fiscal Impact	No Fiscal Impact	No Fiscal Impact	No Fiscal Impact

<u>BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE</u>				
<u>Personal Services:</u>				
<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2026-27</u>	<u>2027-28</u>
	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			No Fiscal Impact	No Fiscal Impact

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LB⁽¹⁾ 1027

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾ Nebraska Power Review Board

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

	<u>FY 2026-27</u>		<u>FY 2027-28</u>	
	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	\$7,500		\$7,500	
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>\$7,500</u>		<u>\$7,500</u>	

Explanation of Estimate:

Current law provides an exemption from the Power Review Board's (PRB) notice and hearing requirements set out in Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 70-1012 to 70-1014.01 for privately developed renewable energy generation facilities (PDREGF). LB 1027 would require the PRB to hold a hearing on each PDREGF application prior to approving or denying the application. In the 10 years since the inception of the PDREGF process in 2016, the PRB has received 79 notices for PDREGFs. That is an average of 7.9 facilities per year. Hearings before the PRB incur a cost of between \$850 to \$1,250 per hearing, primarily due to the costs for a court reporting service. The PRB estimates the average hearing to cost approximately \$950. Using these figures, 7.9 (hearings per year) times \$950 (cost incurred per hearing) would cause the PRB to incur approximately \$7,505 per year in additional costs attributable to LB 1027. Since hearings are conducted on the same day as the PRB's monthly meetings, no additional costs for per diems or travel would be expected.

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

Personal Services:

<u>POSITION TITLE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</u>		<u>2026-27</u> <u>EXPENDITURES</u>	<u>2027-28</u> <u>EXPENDITURES</u>
	<u>26-27</u>	<u>27-28</u>		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....			\$7,500	\$7,500
Travel.....				
Capital outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital improvements.....				
TOTAL.....			\$7,500	\$7,500