

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 | 4,100 | 0 | 0 | 4,100 |
| FY2027-2028 | 0 | 8,200 | 0 | 0 | 8,200 |
| FY2028-2029 | 0 | 8,200 | 0 | 0 | 8,200 |
| REVENUE | GENERAL | CASH | FEDERAL | REVOLVING | TOTAL |
| FY2025-2026 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FY2026-2027 | 0 | 6,875 | 0 | 0 | 6,875 |
| FY2027-2028 | 0 | 20,625 | 0 | 0 | 20,625 |
| FY2028-2029 | 0 | 20,625 | 0 | 0 | 20,625 |

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

LB769 amends Nebraska §60-3,163.02 to direct the Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to create no more than three specialty license plates:

- In consultation with the University of Nebraska and a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization supportive of the University's education and research;
- The plate designs must support University of Nebraska managed museums including:
 - Ashfall Fossil Beds;
 - Morrill Hall; and
 - Trailside Museum.
- The new license plate applications would be available beginning on January 1, 2027.

The bill would establish a new University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate Cash Fund:

- To be the recipient of the University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate fees;
- To accept any gifts, grants, bequests, private contribution, and money from any public or private source;
- With the money used for promoting understanding, appreciation, and stewardship of science and natural history via research, public education, and outreach for these University of Nebraska managed museums; and
- The fund is to be invested by the State Investment Officer.

Expenditures:

The Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) is anticipating 80 hours of programmatic and testing related to the new license plate, which can be absorbed within their existing appropriation in Program 70. However, in Program 90, the DMV is expecting expenditures for the production of the new license plates to be as follows: \$4,100 in Cash Fund expenditures in FY2026-27 (500 sets or 1,000 plates x \$4.10) and \$8,200 in Cash Fund expenditures in FY2027-28 (1,000 sets or 2,000 plates x \$4.10).

Revenues:

The DMV Program 70 is projecting 1,000 sets of these new plates would be sold each year. With the January 1, 2027 effective date only 500 sets would be sold in FY2026-27. Then, 1,000 sets would be sold in FY2027-28. The DMV has provided, based on historical averages, they anticipate 75% of the plates sold to be alphanumeric plates (\$5 ea.) and 25% to be message plates (\$40 ea.).

In FY2026-27, of the 500 sets to be sold: 375 would be alphanumeric plates (\$5 x 375) which would be a revenue increase of \$1,875 to the University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate Cash Fund. The remaining 125 message plates (\$40 x 125) would bring in total revenue of \$5,000 to be split: \$2,500 to the DMV Cash Fund and \$2,500 to the University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate Cash Fund.

In FY2027-28, of the 1,000 sets to be sold plus 500 renewal plates: 1,125 sold would be alphanumeric plates (750 new plus 375 renewals) (\$5 x 1,125) which would be a revenue increase of \$5,625 to the University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate Cash Fund. The remaining, 375 message plates (250 new plus 125 renewals) (\$40 x 375) would bring in \$15,000 in revenue, split \$3,750 to the DMV Cash Fund and \$11,250 to the University of Nebraska State Museum License Plate Cash Fund.

The University of Nebraska is anticipating a minimal fiscal impact.

There is no basis to disagree with these estimations of fiscal impact by the DMV or the University.

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| ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY & POLT. SUB. RESPONSE |
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| LB: 769 | AM: | AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Nebraska Military Department |
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| COMMENTS: Concur with the Department of Motor Vehicles estimated fiscal impact as a result of LB 769. |
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LB⁽¹⁾ 769

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State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name: ⁽²⁾

Motor Vehicles

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

| | FY 2026-27 | | FY 2027-28 | |
|----------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| | EXPENDITURES | REVENUE | EXPENDITURES | REVENUE |
| GENERAL FUNDS | | | | |
| CASH FUNDS | 4,100 | 6,875 | 8,200 | 20,625 |
| FEDERAL FUNDS | | | | |
| OTHER FUNDS | | | | |
| TOTAL FUNDS | 4,100 | 6,875 | 8,200 | 20,625 |

Explanation of Estimate:

**Nebraska State Museum License Plate
Program 070**

There will be 80 hours of Programming and Testing for this new plate that can be absorbed within existing DMV appropriation.

History has shown that 1000 sets of these plates will be sold every fiscal year. Due to the effective date of January 1, 2027, we estimate 500 sets of plates will be sold during the first fiscal year. In addition, history has shown that 75% of the plates sold are Numeric plates and 25% are Message plates.

FY26-27 Revenue 500 sets sold – 375 Numeric plates at \$5 will credit \$1,875 to the designated fund, and 125 Message sets will credit \$3,750 to the designated fund and \$1,250 to the DMV Cash Fund. Total Revenue for the Fiscal Year will be \$6,875.

FY27-28 Revenue 1000 set sold (500 renewals) – 1,125 numeric plates will credit \$5,625 to the designated fund and 375 message plates will credit \$11,250 to the designated fund and \$3,750 to the DMV Cash Fund. Total Revenue for the Fiscal Year will be \$20,625.

Program 090

Fiscal Year 26-27 500 sets (1000 plates) at \$4.10 = \$4,100

Fiscal Year 27-28 1000 sets (2000 plates) at \$4.10 = \$8,200

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

| Personal Services: | NUMBER OF POSITIONS | 2026-27 | 2027-28 |
|---------------------------|---------------------|---------|--------------|
| POSITION TITLE | 26-27 | 27-28 | EXPENDITURES |
| Benefits..... | | | |
| Operating..... | | | 4,100 |
| Travel..... | | | 8,200 |
| Capital outlay..... | | | |
| Aid..... | | | |
| Capital improvements..... | | | |
| TOTAL..... | | | 4,100 |
| | | | 8,200 |

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LB ⁽¹⁾0769 Provide for University of Nebraska State Museum License Plates, provide duties to the Department of Motor Vehicles and the University of Nebraska, and create a fund **FISCAL NOTE**

State Agency OR Political Subdivision Name:⁽²⁾

University of Nebraska System

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ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION

| | FY 2026 - 27 | | FY 2027 - 28 | |
|---------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|
| | EXPENDITURES | REVENUE | EXPENDITURES | REVENUE |
| GENERAL FUNDS | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> |
| CASH FUNDS | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> |
| FEDERAL FUNDS | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> |
| OTHER FUNDS | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> |
| TOTAL FUNDS | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> | <u>0.00</u> |

Explanation of Estimate:

Minimal Fiscal Impact.

Personal Services:

BREAKDOWN BY MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE

| POSITION TITLE | NUMBER OF POSITIONS | | 2026 - 27 EXPENDITURES | 2027 - 28 EXPENDITURES |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | 26 - 27 | 27 - 28 | | |
| Benefits..... | 0 | 0 | | |
| Operating..... | 0 | 0 | | |
| Travel..... | | | | |
| Capital outlay..... | | | | |
| Aid..... | | | | |
| Capital improvements..... | | | | |
| TOTAL..... | | | | |