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LB 957

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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2010-11		FY 2011-12	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See Below		See Below	

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

LB 957 requires the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges and the board of governors of each Nebraska community college to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the State Department of Education to adopt a policy to share student data. The agreement shall be entered into on or before September 1, 2010. Each entity shall also agree to share student data with qualified researchers which shall include, but not be limited to, postsecondary educational institutions, school districts and public policy research and advocacy organizations.

The educational entities required to enter into a memorandum of understanding indicate the bill will have no fiscal impact to enter into the agreement to share student data. However, it is possible that the policy which is adopted to share data may have a fiscal impact for the educational institutions in the future.

The requirement to share student data with qualified researchers may increase the workload of the educational entities by an unknown amount. The increased workload is unknown at this time. The University of Nebraska projects the need for an additional researcher to comply with the bill at an estimated cost of \$100,000 of general funds in 2010-11 and each year thereafter. It is assumed the need for an additional research position will depend upon whether the quantity and requirements of student data requests exceed the capability of existing research staff at each institution to provide requested data.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS					
NEBRASKA COMMUNITY COLLEGE ASSOCIATION: Concur.					
NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: Concur.					
NEBRASKA STATE COLLEGE SYSTEM: Concur.					
UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA: LB 957 would require the University to exchange student information data with "qualified researchers". This probably means some limited amount of staff time to perform data extracts from the University's student information system. It is assumed any additional responsibilities of the agency can be managed within existing resources.					