

## Gov. calls for property tax relief, new prison

Proposals for reducing property taxes, limiting local government spending growth and expanding state prisons highlighted Gov. Pete Ricketts' State of the State address Jan. 14.

Ricketts praised health care professionals for treating Nebraskans throughout the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Everyone that needed an ICU bed or a ventilator has been able to access one, he said.

The governor said his administration has looked for ways to expand Nebraska's economy despite tough times.

"From giving licensed professionals more flexibility, to allowing restaurants to offer carryout alcohol, we looked for ways to grow our health care workforce and help small businesses survive," Ricketts said.

This effort enabled Nebraska to have the lowest unemployment rate in the nation at 3.1 percent — a number virtually unchanged from a year ago, he said.

A refundable property tax program,

passed by the Legislature last year, will provide \$596 million in property tax relief, but there is more work to be done, Ricketts said. He is proposing limiting the growth of local government property taxes to 3 percent.

"New local spending constraints are critical to ensuring the relief we provide goes into people's pockets and to maintain local control in future years," he said.

Ricketts said the state spending growth rate would be held to 1.5 percent in his proposed two-year budget. The budget would continue to support public schools, he said, with an additional \$42.7 million for K-12 education over the next two years.

Saying that the current Nebraska State Penitentiary is "decaying,"



Gov. Pete Ricketts delivers his State of the State address.

Ricketts advocated for a new prison. Construction of the proposed facility would cost \$230 million, he said, and is scheduled to be completed in 2025.

The governor also wants to make Nebraska the "best state in the nation" for military members and veterans. He said he would work with senators on legislation that would:

- invest \$50 million toward an effort to locate Space Command at Offutt Air Force Base;
- exempt 100 percent of military retirement income from state income tax; and
- ease licensure requirements for military spouses.

Ricketts also noted that 80,000 Nebraska households lack high-speed broadband internet service. He urged senators to support \$20 million to expand broadband access.

"The pandemic has revealed how impossible work from home or remote education can be for those on the wrong side of the digital divide," Ricketts said. ■



The governor greets senators as he makes his way from the legislative chamber.

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### Day five bill introduction

January 12, 2021 Sen. John McCollister, LB266 LB273 LB281 LB283 LB292 LB293 LB295 LB296 LB307 LB313 [Edit](#)

Senators reconvened Jan. 12 to continue introduction of new bills.

Among the 50 measures introduced were:

LB266, sponsored by Omaha Sen. John McCollister, which would adopt the Renewable Energy Standards Act;



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# MEET THE SENATOR

## McKinney ready to grapple with new challenges

So, which is more of a full-contact sport: wrestling or politics?

“Probably politics,” new Omaha Sen. Terrell McKinney said with a chuckle.

He would know.

McKinney was a two-time Nebraska state wrestling champion at Omaha North High School, where he is now an assistant coach. He compiled a 92-13 career record, though the last few wins came with a lot of pain.

A serious knee injury late in his senior year sidelined McKinney for two and a half weeks. He managed to wince his way through to the state final, learning along the way that riding a stationary bike was a poor substitute for competition.

“My knee was still messed up, and I was out of shape,” McKinney said.

He faced an opponent he’d pinned earlier in the season, but this time the match went down to the final seconds, with McKinney pulling out a 9-8 win.

“It was closer than I wanted,” McKinney said. “In a match, you have to adapt.”

He learned to adapt off the mat, too. The University of Northern Iowa had recruited McKinney, but it backed off after his late-season injury. He attended the University of Nebraska Omaha for three years but was only on the mat for one. He took a year off to recuperate and train, and then finished seventh at the 2010 national tournament, earning All-American honors.

“It was vindication,” McKinney said. “I proved I was supposed to be there.”

He sat out the following season because of an elbow injury before suffering the biggest blow of all; in response to budget cuts, the school dropped its wrestling program. McKinney finished his career and earned a degree at Maryville University.

Now a student at Creighton University School of Law, McKinney believes it is time for young Black leaders in Omaha to emerge.

“My generation, we lived through the crack era, the war on drugs,” McKinney said. “Young individuals in our community can’t just rely on our elders; although they’ve done a lot of great work throughout their lifetimes, they can’t do it forever.”

McKinney succeeds one of those leaders — former Sen. Ernie Chambers, who represented North Omaha for 46 years before stepping down due to term limits. Chambers endorsed McKinney in last year’s legislative race.

“It meant I was doing something right,” McKinney said. “If he has confidence in me, the sky’s the limit.”

But McKinney has his own vision and plans to spend his first year advocating for criminal justice reform and creating economic opportunity in his district.

“I want to build on the foundation Ernie set, but focus more on making sure that, economically, North Omaha isn’t left behind,” he said. ■



Sen. Terrell McKinney with his daughter, Sana'a, in the Capitol rotunda on the opening day of session.

# NEW BILLS

January 11, 2021

Bill	Introducer	One-line description
LB213	Briese	Provide for an efficiency review of state agencies
LB214	Linehan	Define certain terms for purposes of property taxes
LB215	Hughes	Change 911 service surcharge provisions
LB216	Wayne	Prohibit certain public communications by a peace officer
LB217	Wayne	Provide a penalty for filing a false report by a peace officer
LB218	Wayne	Adopt 2018 Uniform Plumbing Code standards
LB219	Wayne	Change legislative declarations and findings relating to traffic congestion in municipal areas
LB220	Wayne	Change applicability provisions for building codes
LB221	Wayne	Adopt 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code standards
LB222	Erdman	Change provisions relating to certain in lieu of tax payments made by the Game and Parks Commission
LB223	Erdman	Authorize carrying a firearm while archery hunting
LB224	Aguilar	Change provisions for appointment of a county surveyor in certain counties
LB225	Hilkemann	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services
LB226	Hilkemann	Change motor vehicle tax exemptions as prescribed under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act
LB227	Morfeld	Adopt the Doxing Prevention Act and change and provide penalties and a civil action for false reporting
LB228	Morfeld	Change the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act
LB229	Hunt	Provide for enhanced penalties and a civil action for crimes committed because of a victim's gender identity or association with a person of a certain gender identity
LB230	Hunt	Prohibit discrimination in public accommodations and under the Nebraska Fair Housing Act on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity
LB231	Hunt	Prohibit conversion therapy
LB232	Hunt	Change provisions relating to gender designation on drivers' licenses and state identification cards
LB233	Friesen	Provide sales and use tax collection duties for certain peer-to-peer rentals of vehicles
LB234	Flood	Change corporate report and occupation tax provisions
LB235	Brewer	State intent regarding implementation of a meat processing establishment inspection program
LB236	Brewer	Permit counties to authorize carrying concealed weapons as prescribed
LB237	Brewer	Change provisions relating to the taxation of benefits received under the federal Social Security Act
LB238	McDonnell	Change provisions of the Ground Emergency Medical Transport Act
LB239	Hilkemann	Change provisions relating to the use of handheld wireless communication devices under the Nebraska Rules of the Road
LB240	Hilkemann	Require use of occupant protection systems for each vehicle occupant
LB241	Vargas	Adopt the Meatpacking Employees COVID-19 Protection Act
LB242	Brandt	Provide for county bridges under the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act
LB243	Bostar	Adopt the Access College Early Tech Promise Program Act
LB244	Clements	Change permit renewal provisions of the Concealed Handgun Permit Act
LB245	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to adoptions
LB246	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to applicability of forcible entry and detainer and actions for possession under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act and the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Act
LB247	Pansing Brooks	Create the Mental Health Crisis Hotline Task Force
LB248	Pansing Brooks	Change provisions regarding exclusions from the Uniform Directed Trust Act
LB249	Pansing Brooks	Prohibit employers from inquiring about wage rate history under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act
LB250	Hunt	Adopt the Interior Design Voluntary Registration Act
LB251	M. Cavanaugh	Change the age for organ and tissue donation
LB252	Williams	Provide for refills of veterinary drug orders by veterinary drug distributors
LB253	Williams	Change provisions relating to series limited liability companies
LB254	Williams	Extend the date for applications under the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act
LB255	M. Hansen	Adopt the In the Line of Duty Compensation Act
LB256	M. Hansen	Change provisions relating to lump-sum settlement approval and the filing of releases under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB257	M. Hansen	Change provisions relating to vacancies on public power and irrigation district boards
LB258	Vargas	Adopt the Healthy and Safe Families and Workplaces Act
LB259	Halloran	Authorize a civil action for damages sustained by public safety officers

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Bill	Introducer	One-line description
LB260	Hunt	Change provisions relating to good cause for voluntarily leaving employment under the Employment Security Law
LB261	Linehan	Change provisions regarding grave markers for certain veterans
LB262	Vargas	Provide for participation in the bridge to independence program by young adults not lawfully present in the United States
LB263	Briese	Require occupational board to issue certain credentials based on credentials or work experience in another jurisdiction
LR17	Albrecht	Congratulate the Honorable Edward Matney on his judicial appointment to the county court for the sixth judicial district

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LB264	Stinner	State intent to appropriate funds for cultural districts created by the Nebraska Arts Council
LB265	Blood	Change provisions of the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act
LB266	McCollister	Adopt the Renewable Energy Standards Act
LB267	McCollister	Change provisions relating to municipal counties
LB268	McCollister	Change landlord's right of access under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act
LB269	McCollister	Change provisions regarding review of a committed offender's record by the Board of Parole
LB270	Morfeld	Adopt the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Regulation Act and require an audit under the Medical Assistance Act
LB271	Morfeld	Adopt the 24/7 Sobriety Program Act
LB272	Morfeld	Adopt the Apprenticeship Training Program Tax Credit Act
LB273	Lowe	Change provisions relating to youth rehabilitation and treatment centers
LB274	Lowe	Provide for a promotional farmers market special designated license under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act
LB275	Brewer	Create the Semiquincentennial Commission
LB276	Hunt	Eliminate requirement that physician be physically present in same room when an abortion is performed
LB277	Hunt	Change provisions relating to rental deposits, damages, and overdue rent under the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Act
LB278	Wayne	Change a penalty for possession under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act
LB279	Bostar	Authorize certain activities that are eligible for assistance from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund
LB280	Albrecht	Eliminate a residency requirement for the board of directors of an insurance corporation
LB281	Albrecht	Require child sexual abuse prevention instructional programs for school students and staff
LB282	Albrecht	Change provisions relating to obscenity
LB283	Briese	Provide for year-round daylight saving time
LB284	M. Cavanaugh	Provide requirements regarding federal funds under the Governor's Emergency Program
LB285	Brewer	Change provisions relating to elections conducted pursuant to the Election Act
LB286	Walz	Redefine a term relating to schools
LB287	Walz	Change school finance base limitation and local effort rate provisions
LB288	Walz	Change dates related to certifications and distributions of state aid to schools
LB289	Walz	Redefine a term in the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act
LB290	M. Cavanaugh	Adopt the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act
LB291	Friesen	Change provisions relating to property tax protests
LB292	Friesen	Change provisions relating to partial payments of property taxes
LB293	Flood	Change the number of and qualifications for members of the Public Service Commission
LB294	Flood	Exempt certain agency deputy directors and legal counsel from the State Personnel System
LB295	Wishart	Repeal prohibition on sale of alcoholic liquor to person within motor vehicle
LB296	B. Hansen	Change provisions regarding access to patient records for Department of Health and Human Services institutions
LB297	Lindstrom	Adopt the Nebraska Protection of Vulnerable Adults from Financial Exploitation Act
LB298	McDonnell	Change provisions of the Employment Security Law relating to the disqualification of certain aliens
LB299	McDonnell	Adopt the Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act and provide an income tax exemption for such benefits
LB300	Slama	Change provisions relating to justification for the use of force

# NEW BILLS

Bill	Introducer	One-line description
LB301	B. Hansen	Change drug schedules and penalties and adopt federal drug provisions under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act
LB302	M. Hansen	Change provisions relating to administrative license revocation under the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act
LB303	M. Hansen	Provide a budget limitation exception as prescribed
LB304	M. Hansen	Appropriate funds to the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice
LB305	Erdman	Change appointment and removal provisions for the secretary of the Game and Parks Commission
LB306	Brandt	Provide eligibility requirements for the low-income home energy assistance program
LB307	Pansing Brooks	Change provisions relating to appointment of counsel for juveniles
LB308	Pansing Brooks	Provide grants for juvenile indigent legal defense
LB309	Clements	Adopt the Assistance Animal Integrity in Housing Act
LB310	Clements	Change inheritance tax rates and exemption amounts
LB311	Vargas	Change provisions relating to microdistilleries under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act
LB312	Sanders	Change cemetery association membership eligibility and record-keeping requirements
LB313	Sanders	Change provisions relating to late applications for homestead exemptions

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LB314	Pahls	Change provisions related to insurance coverage of telehealth
LB315	J. Cavanaugh	Change penalties for assault by strangulation or suffocation and domestic assault
LB316	J. Cavanaugh	Change provisions relating to limitations for a postconviction relief action
LB317	J. Cavanaugh	Provide for Nebraska History license plates
LB318	J. Cavanaugh	Increase the earned income tax credit
LB319	J. Cavanaugh	Change penalties for theft offenses
LB320	J. Cavanaugh	Change provisions relating to violence on premises under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act
LB321	J. Cavanaugh	Prohibit defendant's discovery of victim's actual or perceived gender or sexual orientation as defense to crime
LB322	Williams	Adopt the School Safety and Security Reporting System Act
LB323	Walz	Change provisions of the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act relating to pandemics
LB324	Brandt	Change provisions of the Nebraska Meat and Poultry Inspection Law
LB325	Albrecht	Adopt the Art Therapy Practice Act
LB326	Slama	Provide immunity for claims against first responders operating motor vehicles and arising from vehicular pursuits and provide for policies, training, and duties relating to vehicular pursuits
LB327	Slama	Require a personal finance or financial literacy credit for high school graduation
LB328	Arch	Change licensure application provisions under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act
LB329	Wayne	Change provisions relating to taxes imposed on the average wholesale price of gasoline
LB330	Wayne	Raise the jurisdictional age limit for juvenile court to age twenty-one for certain purposes
LB331	Wayne	Prohibit contractual criminal enforcement of certain offenses related to animals
LB332	Wayne	Change provisions relating to the city council of a city of the metropolitan class
LB333	Wayne	Change provisions relating to possession of an electronic communications device in Department of Correctional Services facilities
LB334	Wayne	Adopt the Community Work Release and Treatment Centers Act and change provisions relating to the Board of Parole, the Department of Correctional Services, and the Office of Probation Administration
LB335	Flood	Require announcement of the average cost of incarceration at sentencing for sentences served at the Department of Correctional Services
LB336	Hughes	Provide for regular and limited annual and temporary state park entry permits
LB337	Kolterman	Adopt the Step-Therapy Reform Act
LB338	Bostelman	Provide powers and duties for the Public Service Commission regarding redirection of funding for broadband services
LB339	Bostelman	Require a utility coordination plan for certain highway and bridge contracts
LB340	Stinner	Create the medicaid nursing facilities program
LB341	Stinner	Provide for transfers from the State Settlement Cash Fund

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Bill	Introducer	One-line description
LB342	Stinner	Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education
LB343	Friesen	Change identification inspection provisions under the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act
LB344	Friesen	Change provisions of the One-Call Notification System Act and create the Underground Excavation Safety Committee
LB345	Friesen	Provide a budget limitation exception as prescribed
LB346	Wishart	Adopt the Fueling Station Tax Credit Act
LB347	Lindstrom	Change provisions relating to an income tax deduction for dividends received from certain corporations
LB348	Morfeld	Change provisions relating to succession to real property by affidavit
LB349	McKinney	Create El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, Malcolm X Day and establish a holiday
LB350	Linehan	Change provisions relating to distribution of sales tax revenue to the Game and Parks Commission Capital Maintenance Fund
LB351	Linehan	Change provisions relating to quality scale ratings under the Step Up to Quality Child Care Act
LB352	Lathrop	Change the amounts of certain court fees
LB353	Lathrop	Appropriate funds to the Department of Correctional Services for a community corrections facility
LB354	Lathrop	Require courts to issue decisions on motions to transfer jurisdiction in cases involving juveniles within thirty days after hearing
LB355	Lathrop	Change provisions relating to county judges, clerk magistrates, and civil procedure
LB356	Hunt	Change provisions relating to disqualification for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
LB357	Hunt	Create the Nebraska Youth in Care Bill of Rights
LB358	Hunt	Change provisions relating to retaliatory conduct by a landlord under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act
LB359	Pansing Brooks	Change provisions regarding multicultural education as prescribed and provide powers for the State Board of Education
LB360	Pansing Brooks	Define and redefine terms relating to sexual assault offenses
LB361	Dorn	State intent regarding appropriations to the State Department of Education
LB362	Halloran	Change provisions relating to ballots for early voting under the Election Act
LB363	Williams	Change provisions relating to banking, finance, securities, consumer protection, dividends, and installment sales and loans
LB364	Linehan	Adopt the Opportunity Scholarships Act and provide tax credits
LB365	Briese	Appropriate funds to the State Racing Commission
LB366	Briese	Change the Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise Tax Credit Act
LB367	Briese	Impose a tax on cash devices under the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act
LB368	Sanders	Provide the Auditor of Public Accounts enforcement powers for failure of political subdivisions to file reports
LB369	Sanders	Provide the Auditor of Public Accounts access to working papers and audit files
LB370	Sanders	Adopt the Personal Privacy Protection Act
LB371	Aguilar	Provide for games of chance under the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act at state, district, and county fair locations
LB372	Day	Change provisions relating to applications under the Nebraska Crime Victim's Reparations Act
LB373	Pahls	Change the interest rate for minimum nonforfeiture amounts as prescribed
LB374	DeBoer	Adopt the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Support Act
LB375	Kolterman	Adopt the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Regulation and Transparency Act
LB376	M. Cavanaugh	Authorize the application for and implementation of services and supports for developmentally disabled children and their families and provide duties for the Advisory Committee on Developmental Disabilities
LB377	DeBoer	Change inheritance tax provisions
LB378	DeBoer	Require the Commissioner of Education to report data as prescribed
LR18CA	Wayne	Constitutional amendment to change legislative term limits to three consecutive terms
LR19	Hilkemann	Recognize Howard Hawks for his nearly two decades of dedicated service on the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska
LR20CA	Pansing Brooks	Constitutional amendment to remove provisions regarding marriage from the Constitution of Nebraska
LR21CA	Briese	Constitutional amendment to require the State of Nebraska to pay all classroom expenses related to the operation of public elementary and secondary schools



# NEW BILLS

January 14, 2021

Bill	Introducer	One-line description
LB379	Speaker Hilgers	Provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to appropriations
LB380	Speaker Hilgers	Appropriate funds for the expenses of Nebraska State Government for the biennium ending June 30, 2023
LB381	Speaker Hilgers	Appropriate funds for salaries of members of the Legislature
LB382	Speaker Hilgers	Appropriate funds for salaries of constitutional officers
LB383	Speaker Hilgers	Appropriate funds for capital construction
LB384	Speaker Hilgers	Provide for transfers of funds and change permitted use of a fund
LB385	Speaker Hilgers	Change provisions relating to the Cash Reserve Fund
LB386	Lathrop	Change judges' salaries
LB387	Brewer	Change provisions relating to the taxation of military retirement benefits
LB388	Friesen	Adopt the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act
LB389	Sanders	Require the issuance of teaching certificates and permits to military spouses
LB390	Murman	Provide for credentials based on reciprocity and change requirements for credentials under the Uniform Credentialing Act
LB391	Bostar	Transfer funds to the Customized Job Training Cash Fund
LB392	Stinner	Adopt the Prescribing Psychologist Practice Act
LB393	Hughes	Eliminate the Next Generation Business Growth Act
LB394	Morfeld	Adopt the Public Health Emergency Housing Protection Act and change deadlines for trials in actions for possession and forcible entry and detainer
LB395	Gragert	Change hunting provisions under the Game Law
LB396	Brandt	Adopt the Nebraska Farm-to-School Program Act
LB397	Bostelman	Prohibit certain causes of action by motorists without liability insurance or convicted of DUI offenses, require the Department of Motor Vehicles to establish and maintain an online verification system for accessing certain private passenger motor vehicle insurance information, and authorize a disclosure of certain motor vehicle records
LB398	Bostelman	Change provisions relating to broadband speeds and services
LB399	Bostelman	Change provisions relating to rural water districts
LB400	Arch	Change requirements related to coverage of telehealth by insurers and medicaid
LB401	Arch	Change references to state hospitals
LB402	DeBoer	Require a report by the Supreme Court regarding eviction proceedings
LB403	Slama	Change provisions relating to recovery of medical assistance debt from an estate
LB404	Lowe	Change permit and renewal time periods under the Concealed Handgun Permit Act
LB405	Lowe	Change provisions relating to village boards of trustees
LB406	McDonnell	Create the Lower Platte River Infrastructure Task Force and provide funding
LB407	McDonnell	Include certain county correctional officers in provisions governing mental injuries and mental illnesses under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB408	Briese	Adopt the Property Tax Request Act
LB409	Brewer	Provide a moratorium on construction of electric transmission lines and create the Electric Transmission Line Study Committee of the Legislature
LB410	Linehan	Change provisions relating to itemized deductions
LB411	Lathrop	Require sharing of information with the designated health information exchange
LB412	M. Cavanaugh	Change a tax and assessment provision under the Nebraska Housing Agency Act
LB413	Wishart	Require coverage of medications for substance use disorder treatment and addiction medicine services under the Medical Assistance Act
LB414	Wishart	Change provisions of the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act
LB415	Groene	Change provisions relating to microdistilleries under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act
LB416	M. Cavanaugh	Require implicit bias training under Uniform Credentialing Act and provide for duties and funding relating to postpartum care and maternal health
LB417	Halloran	Authorize possession of a firearm on school grounds by a full-time, off-duty law enforcement officer
LB418	Murman	Adopt the Solemn Covenant of the States to Award Prizes for Curing Diseases compact
LB419	J. Cavanaugh	Require appointment of counsel in eviction proceedings and provide for a filing fee
LR22CA	Linehan	Constitutional amendment to limit the total amount of property tax revenue that may be raised by political subdivisions
LR23	Erdman	Interim study to examine the progress of natural resources districts in fulfilling their originally intended purpose

# NEW BILLS

January 15, 2021

Bill	Introducer	One-line description
LB420	Pahls	Change provisions relating to presumptions regarding causes of death or disability of firefighters and firefighter-paramedics
LB421	Stinner	State intent regarding appropriations for qualified educational debt under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act
LB422	Briese	Change the sales tax rate and impose sales tax on additional services
LB423	Lathrop	Require registration of home inspectors
LB424	Brewer	Provide and change zoning requirements for wind energy generation projects
LB425	Health & Human Services	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to complete a needs assessment and cost analysis for an inpatient adolescent psychiatric unit
LB426	Health & Human Services	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to conduct a cost analysis for capital improvement and structural changes at the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center-Kearney and submit a report
LB427	Health & Human Services	State intent that substance abuse and behavioral health treatment for juveniles by the Department of Health and Human Services not be delayed
LB428	Health & Human Services	Entitlement of juveniles at youth rehabilitation and treatment centers to receive an appropriate educational equivalent to educational opportunities offered in public schools
LB429	Health & Human Services	Require notification by the Department of Health and Human Services to the Legislature prior to implementation of substantial changes to facilities and programs under the Office of Juvenile Services
LB430	Revenue	Change tax provisions relating to net book value
LB431	Revenue	Change taxation provisions relating to improvements on leased lands, the assessment of undervalued and overvalued property, methods for giving notice, and the collection of certain taxes and fees
LB432	Revenue	Change income tax rates
LB433	Revenue	Change the sales and use tax rate
LB434	Revenue	Change provisions relating to tax expenditure reports and certain joint hearings of legislative committees
LB435	B. Hansen	Require an official watermark on certain ballots under the Election Act
LB436	B. Hansen	Change provisions of the Athletic Training Practice Act
LB437	B. Hansen	Change provisions relating to public assistance and medicaid fraud
LB438	M. Hansen	Appropriate funds to the Department of Labor
LB439	M. Hansen	Change provisions relating to stacking of coverage under the Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Insurance Coverage Act
LB440	M. Hansen	Change provisions of the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act
LB441	M. Hansen	Change provisions relating to compensation for individuals affected by COVID-19 under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB442	M. Hansen	Create the Commission on Asian American Affairs
LB443	M. Hansen	Exempt local foster care review boards from the Open Meetings Act
LB444	M. Hansen	Change provisions relating to credit against jail terms
LB445	M. Hansen	Change requirements for peace officers taking juveniles into custody or interrogating juveniles and prohibit use of statements taken in violation of such requirements
LB446	M. Hansen	Adopt the Nebraska Housing Index and Financing Investment System Act
LB447	M. Cavanaugh	Change provisions relating to immunization under the Child Care Licensing Act
LB448	Morfeld	Impose a surcharge on operator's licenses and permits and state identification cards issued under the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act for the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System
LB449	Wishart	Appropriate funds to the Department of Environment and Energy
LB450	McKinney	Adopt the Nebraska Innovation Hub Act
LB451	McKinney	Include characteristics associated with race, culture, and personhood within definition of race, including hair texture and protective hairstyles under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act, and change provisions relating to unlawful employment practices
LB452	McKinney	Adopt the Financial Literacy Act
LB453	McKinney	Require landlords to comply with certain ordinances and change provisions relating to remedies under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act
LB454	Friesen	Adopt the School Property Tax Stabilization Act and change the valuation of agricultural land
LB455	Friesen	Adopt the Broadband Pole Attachment Act

# NEW BILLS

Bill	Introducer	One-line description
LB456	Friesen	Adopt the Nebraska Enhancing Broadband Act
LB457	McCollister	Change provisions relating to deductions for certain sales and use tax refunds
LB458	McCollister	Change provisions of the Sex Offender Registration Act
LB459	M. Cavanaugh	Change provisions relating to the cigarette tax and the Tobacco Products Tax Act and distribute tax proceeds as prescribed
LB460	Brandt	Authorize leasing of dark fiber and eliminate certain powers of the Public Service Commission
LB461	Pansing Brooks	Require human trafficking informational posters in casinos
LB462	Dorn	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services
LB463	Arch	Change provisions relating to physical examinations of injured employees under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act
LB464	Bostar	State intent regarding behavioral health aid funding
LB465	Bostar	Change provisions relating to the Behavioral Health Services Fund
LB466	Linehan	Require the proration of property taxes when real property is sold
LB467	Bostar	Adopt updated electrical standards
LB468	Erdman	Provide compensation by the Game and Parks Commission for property damage caused by wildlife
LB469	Erdman	State intent regarding appropriations for the Game and Parks Commission
LB470	DeBoer	Adopt the Uniform Powers of Appointment Act
LB471	DeBoer	Change the termination date of the long-term restrictive housing work group within the Department of Correctional Services
LB472	DeBoer	Require law enforcement officers to intervene when excessive force is used and require policies on excessive force
LB473	DeBoer	Adopt the Extraordinary Increase in Special Education Cost Act
LB474	Wishart	Adopt the Medicinal Cannabis Act
LB475	Wishart	Require opinion from the Attorney General with respect to whether an initiative measure contains more than one subject
LB476	Blood	Change provisions relating to the Stroke System of Care Act
LB477	Bostar	Require the Secretary of State to provide an advisory opinion on the object statement and text of a proposed initiative or referendum measure
LB478	Blood	Adopt the Cities of the First Class Firefighters Cash Balance Retirement Act
LB479	McKinney	Change the membership of a committee under the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act
LB480	McKinney	Change the minimum wage as prescribed
LB481	McKinney	Adopt the Marijuana Conviction Clean Slate Act, decriminalize possessory marijuana and synthetic cannabinoid offenses and drug paraphernalia offenses, and change related provisions
LB482	J. Cavanaugh	Change provisions relating to use of public resources by public officials and public employees
LB483	J. Cavanaugh	Provide for a climate change study and action plan
LB484	J. Cavanaugh	Provide for a new felony classification and change penalties for certain theft offenses
LB485	DeBoer	Change provisions relating to child care assistance
LB486	Day	Require train crews of at least two individuals
LR24CA	Wishart	Constitutional amendment to change the one-subject requirement for initiative measures
LR25	Health & Human Services	Provide the Legislative Council appoint a special committee of the Legislature to be known as the Youth Rehabilitation and Treatment Center Special Oversight Committee of the Legislature

# COMMITTEE HEARINGS

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## **Monday, Jan. 25**

### **Banking, Commerce & Insurance Room 1507 - 9:30 a.m.**

LB373 (Pahls) Change the interest rate for minimum nonforfeiture amounts as prescribed

LB21 (Williams) Change insurance provisions regarding administrative penalties, health maintenance organizations, and continuing education  
LB22 (Williams) Change provisions of the Nebraska Protection in Annuity Transactions Act

### **Banking, Commerce & Insurance Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB77 (Gragert) Prohibit insurance risk classifications and rate adjustments based on the fact that the insured is deployed in the military  
LB280 (Albrecht) Eliminate a residency requirement for the board of directors of an insurance corporation

### **Business & Labor Room 1524 - 9:30 a.m.**

LB169 (M. Hansen) Repeal locksmith registration requirements  
LB37 (Lowe) Change and eliminate provisions relating to the state boiler inspector, fee schedules, and powers and duties of the State Fire Marshal  
LB255 (M. Hansen) Adopt the In the Line of Duty Compensation Act

### **Business & Labor Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB260 (Hunt) Change provisions relating to good cause for voluntarily leaving employment under the Employment Security Law  
LB298 (McDonnell) Change provisions of the Employment Security Law relating to the disqualification of certain aliens  
LB249 (Pansing Brooks) Prohibit employers from inquiring about wage rate history under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act

### **Education Room 1525 - 9:30 a.m.**

*Early Childhood Education Report briefing pursuant to section 79-1103*  
*Note: Invited testimony only*  
LB137 (Vargas) Require reporting to the

Nebraska Early Childhood Professional Record System  
LB210 (Murman) Change provisions relating to part-time enrollment in public schools and extracurricular activities

### **Education Room 1525 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB135 (Wishart) Change special education reimbursements  
LB153 (Wayne) Include virtual school students in the state aid to schools formula  
LB323 (Walz) Change provisions of the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act relating to pandemics  
LB288 (Walz) Change dates related to certification and distribution of state aid to schools  
LB287 (Walz) Change school finance base limitation and local effort rate provisions  
LB286 (Walz) Redefine a term relating to schools  
LB289 (Walz) Redefine a term in the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act

### **General Affairs Room 1510 - 9:30 a.m.**

LB70 (Wayne) Authorize the State Athletic Commissioner to regulate professional kickboxing and professional bare-knuckle boxing  
LB75 (Gragert) Change provisions relating to township libraries  
LB152 (Slama) Change provisions regarding fireworks  
LB312 (Sanders) Change cemetery association membership eligibility and record-keeping requirements

### **Transportation & Telecommunications Room 1113 - 9:30 a.m.**

LB113 (Albrecht) Change provisions relating to motor vehicle titling, licensing, registration, and fees and operators' licenses and permits and authorize a new motor carrier services system  
LB149 (Albrecht) Adopt changes to federal law regarding motor vehicles and motor carriers  
LB106 (Friesen) Change fees relating to access to drivers' records and provide for a new motor vehicle operator's license services system

### **Transportation & Telecommunications Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB174 (Friesen) Change provisions relating to highways and highway funding, road classifications, licensure of local highway and street superintendents, motor vehicle safety responsibility, accident reports, and the Nebraska Rules of the Road  
LB78 (Gragert) Require applicants for certain license plates to register with the Department of Veterans' Affairs  
LB302 (M. Hansen) Change provisions relating to administrative license revocation under the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act

## **Tuesday, Jan. 26**

### **Agriculture Room 1524 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB90 (Halloran) Change fee provisions under the Pesticide Act and the Nebraska Commercial Fertilizer and Soil Conditioner Act  
LB91 (Brandt) Change germination seed testing provisions under the Nebraska Seed Law

### **Banking, Commerce & Insurance Room 1507 - 9:30 a.m.**

LB297 (Lindstrom) Adopt the Nebraska Protection of Vulnerable Adults from Financial Exploitation Act  
LB363 (Williams) Change provisions relating to banking, finance, securities, consumer protection, dividends, and installment sales and loans  
LB66 (Williams) Change deposit, bond, custodial official, and pooled collateral provisions under the Public Funds Deposit Security Act

### **Banking, Commerce & Insurance Room 1507 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB248 (Pansing Brooks) Change provisions regarding exclusions from the Uniform Directed Trust Act  
LB23 (Williams) Change provisions of the Real Property Appraiser Act

## **Wednesday, Jan. 27**

### **Judiciary Room 1113 - 9:30 a.m.**

LB45 (M. Hansen) Eliminate provisions relating to continuance of proceedings

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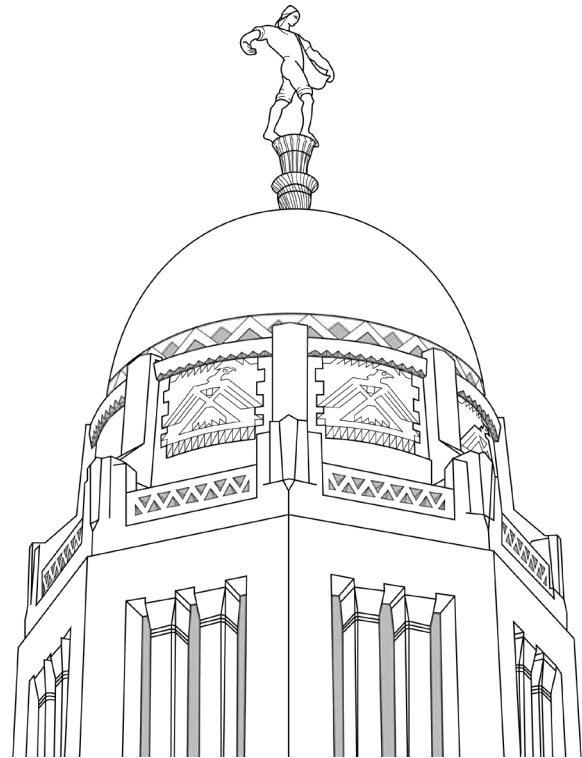
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under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act  
 LB46 (M. Hansen) Eliminate an alternative service provision  
 under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act  
 LB268 (McCollister) Change landlord's right of access under  
 the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act  
 LB277 (Hunt) Change provisions relating to rental deposits,  
 damages, and overdue rent under the Mobile Home  
 Landlord and Tenant Act

## Judiciary

**Room 1113 - 1:30 p.m.**

LB128 (McCollister) Adopt the Residential Tenant Clean  
 Slate Act  
 LB205 (Hunt) Change provisions relating to unpaid periodic  
 rent under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act  
 LB246 (DeBoer) Change provisions relating to applicability  
 of forcible entry and detainer and actions for possession  
 under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act and  
 the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Act  
 LB320 (J. Cavanaugh) Change provisions relating to  
 violence on premises under the Uniform Residential  
 Landlord and Tenant Act  
 LB358 (Hunt) Change provisions relating to retaliatory  
 conduct by a landlord under the Uniform Residential  
 Landlord and Tenant Act ■



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