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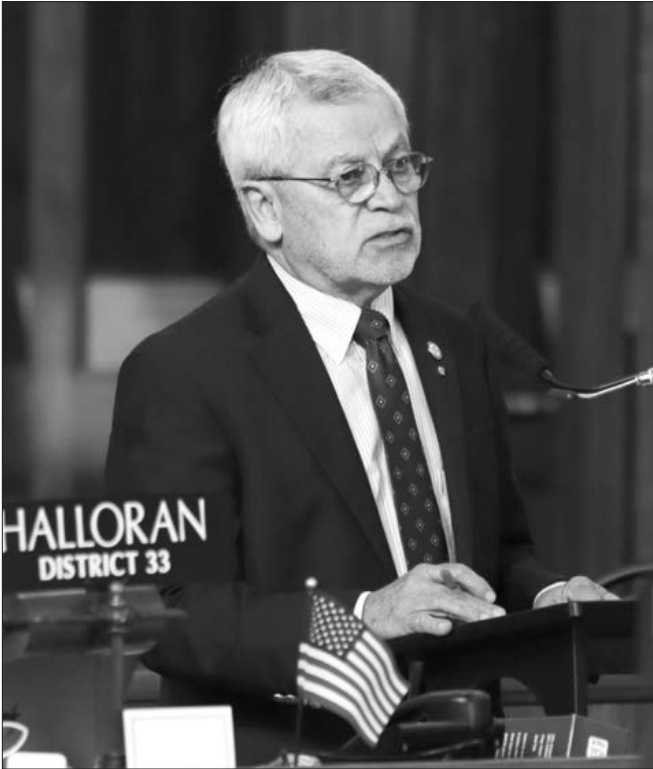
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AGRICULTURE



Sen. Steve Halloran, chairperson of the Agriculture Committee

The Agriculture Committee advanced measures this session intended to increase consumer access to E-15, simplify the permitting process for food trucks and allow more beginning farmers and ranchers to qualify for state tax benefits.

LB562, introduced by Adams Sen. Myron Dorn and passed on a vote of 46-0, requires motor fuel retail dealers in Nebraska to advertise and sell E-15 from at least 50 percent of their qualifying dispensers if they build a new retail motor fuel site or replace more than 80 percent of the motor fuel storage and dispensing infrastructure at an existing site, beginning in 2024.

Small retail motor fuel sites are exempt from the requirement if they file a statement with the state Department of Agriculture.

If the 2027 statewide ethanol blend rate — the average percentage of ethanol contained in each gallon of motor



Sen. Myron Dorn

fuel sold — is below 14 percent, the bill requires retail dealers to advertise and sell E-15 from at least one qualifying dispenser at each site, unless the site qualifies for certain exemptions, beginning in 2028.

LB562 also increases a state income tax credit for retail dealers from 5 cents to 8 cents for each gallon of E-15 sold during 2024. The credit will be 9 cents per gallon in 2025, 8 cents per gallon in 2026, 7 cents per gallon in 2027 and 5 cents per gallon in 2028. The annual limit on credits increases from \$4 million to \$5 million for those years.

As amended, LB562 includes provisions of LB116, introduced by Sen. Tom Brandt of Plymouth.

Among other changes, the bill repeals a minimum acreage requirement and extends the deadline for applications under the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act from Dec. 31, 2025, to Dec. 31, 2027. The act provides tax exemptions and credits for beginning farmers and livestock producers and for owners of certain agricultural assets who rent those assets to them.

Under LB562, a farmer or livestock producer qualifies for the program if they have a net worth of no more than \$750,000, an increase from \$200,000. They also must be of legal age to enter into and be legally responsible for a binding contract or lease.

In addition, the bill requires the Beginning Farmer Board to exclude any pension, retirement or other deferred benefit accounts owned by a beginning farmer or livestock producer, or a spouse or dependent, when determining net worth.

The measure caps the amount of refundable state income tax credits granted to owners of agricultural assets at \$2 million per year.

Also included in LB562 are provisions of LB740, introduced by Omaha Sen. Tony Vargas. They allow a political subdivision acting as a regulatory authority to enter into an interlocal agreement with other public agencies to grant and provide reciprocity for local licensing of food trucks.

The measure also requires first and second class cities to participate in a registry to be maintained by the state Department of Agriculture that records the municipal ordinances regulating food trucks.

Cities that do not regulate food trucks are required to submit a statement to that effect for publication on the registry.

The department will make the registry available to the



Sen. Tom Brandt



Sen. Tony Vargas

public on its website and create a guidance document for food truck operators that describes applicable permit requirements.

A bill that would further restrict nuisance lawsuits under the Nebraska Right to Farm Act did not advance from committee.

Under LB662, sponsored by Sen. Beau Ballard of Lincoln, no person could file a nuisance action against a



Sen. Beau Ballard

Nebraska agricultural operation unless:

- the person owns a majority interest in the real property affected by the agricultural operation and the property is located within one-half mile of the agricultural operation; and
- the agricultural operation has “materially violated” an applicable federal, state or local law.

Among other changes, the bill also would shorten the time that a property owner could file a nuisance lawsuit from two years to one. ■

APPROPRIATIONS



Sen. Robert Clements, chairperson of the Appropriations Committee

Lawmakers approved the state's \$10.7 billion budget package this session.

Among the measures passed was LB814, the mainline budget bill, which funds state government for the next two fiscal years. The bill was introduced by Speaker John Arch of La Vista on behalf of Gov. Jim Pillen and contains recommendations for state operations and aid programs.



Sen. John Arch

The bill includes amended provisions of more than 30 bills brought by lawmakers, including:

- LB80, sponsored by Grand Island Sen. Raymond Aguilar, which authorizes transfers of \$4 million in each of the next two fiscal years from the Veterans' Aid Fund to fund construction and improvements to a state veterans' cemetery in Grand Island;



Sen. Raymond Aguilar

- LB506, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, which provides \$177.2 million in federal funds for a grant to a primary class city to design, construct and implement an additional water supply project;
- LB609, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, which appropriates \$2.5 million in general funds in FY2023-24 to the state Department of Veterans' Affairs to award a grant to a nonprofit to help complete a memorial to Nebraskans who died in the Vietnam War;
- LB684, sponsored by Albion Sen. Tom Briese, which requires the state Department of Administrative Services to contract for an independent review of all state agencies, board and commissions;
- LB769, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft, which allows funds available in the Critical Infrastructure Facilities Cash Fund to be used to provide grants for certain wastewater treatment facilities; and
- LB817, introduced by Arch on behalf of the governor, which appropriates funds for reaffirmed and new capital construction projects.



Sen. Eliot Bostar



Sen. Mike McDonnell



Sen. Tom Briese



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

LB814 passed on a vote of 42-3 and took effect immediately.

LB818, passed 41-3, authorizes new fund transfers and changes and eliminates provisions regarding existing fund transfers. The bill includes a transfer of \$574.5 million from the Cash Reserve to the Perkins County Canal Project Fund to be administered by the state Department of Natural Resources for a canal to divert South Platte River water from Colorado to Nebraska.

The measure also transfers \$1 billion from the state General Fund to the newly created Education Future Fund and states legislative intent to transfer \$250 million annually going forward. It also places study and reporting requirements on the transfer from the state's Cash Reserve to the state Department of Correctional Services for a new state prison.

The bill includes provisions of LB281, sponsored by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, which authorize the state Department of Economic Development to provide \$10 million in grants for youth outdoor recreation camp facilities.



Sen. Mike Jacobson

The governor returned both bills with millions in line-item vetoes to a variety of programs and proposals contained in the budget package.

As passed by the Legislature, LB814 would have increased provider rates for the Children's Health Insurance Program and Medicaid by 3 percent in FY2023-24 and 2 percent in FY2024-25. The governor vetoed the second-year increase, amounting to a reduction of approximately \$15.3 million in general fund appropriations.

Among other appropriations, Pillen also vetoed \$7 million to the state Department of Environment and Energy for grants to support a rural drinking water project in Cedar and Knox counties, originally introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay in LB768, and \$1 million for a facility to house pregnant and parenting homeless youth, originally introduced by Seward Sen. Jana Hughes in LB772.

Lawmakers voted 31-14 to override the governor's veto of \$848,700 for a new state auditor position and salary increases. Thirty votes were needed. Several other override attempts on LB814 were unsuccessful and the remainder of the governor's vetoes to the bill were sustained.

Pillen also struck the following transfers from LB818:

- \$40 million from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Fund and the Middle Income Housing Investment Fund,

originally introduced by Omaha Sen. Tony Vargas in LB741;

- \$20 million from the Cash Reserve Fund to the state Department of Economic Development for the shovel-ready grant program, originally introduced by McDonnell in LB608;
- \$10 million to the Site and Building Development Fund for a grant program to aid panhandle communities with a ground-based nuclear deterrence project, originally introduced by Gering Sen. Brian Hardin in LB712; and
- \$10 million from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund for a pilot program on PTSD related to gun violence, originally introduced by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne in LB792.

Senators declined to override the governor's veto of \$40 million in cash fund transfers to the two housing funds. No overrides were offered on the other line-item vetoes in LB818.

Additional bills included in the budget package that passed and took effect immediately were:

- LB813, which makes adjustments to funding for state operations, aid and construction programs in the current fiscal year ending June 30, 2023, on a 44-2 vote;
- LB815, which appropriates funds for the \$12,000 annual salaries of state senators, on a 45-1 vote;
- LB816, which appropriates funds for the salaries of the state's constitutional officers, on a 44-2 vote; and
- LB282, which approves approximately \$27 million in tort claims against the state and agency write-offs, passed on a 42-0 vote. ■

BANKING, COMMERCE & INSURANCE



Sen. Julie Slama, chairperson of the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee

Pet insurance, expanded access to preventive health screenings and creation of a “regulatory sandbox” topped the list of measures considered by the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee.

Lawmakers established a regulatory framework for pet insurance in Nebraska and broadened telehealth access through passage of a bill sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Beau Ballard.

LB296 requires pet insurers to provide disclosures regarding waiting periods, claim schedules, definitions and exclusions for preexisting conditions. It also requires training for agents who sell pet insurance.



Sen. Tom Brewer

The measure was amended to include provisions of Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer’s LB256 that require insurance reimbursement rates for a telehealth service to be at least as much as a comparable in-person health care service if the licensed



Sen. Beau Ballard

provider also provides in-person health care services at a physical location in Nebraska, or is employed by or holds medical staff privileges at a licensed facility in Nebraska that provides in-person health care services in the state.

Also included are provisions originally offered by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth in her LB640, which require an off-campus hospital location to obtain and use a National Provider Identifier for reimbursement claims that is distinct from the NPI used by the main hospital campus.



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

Lawmakers passed LB296 on a 46-0 vote.

Omnibus measure

A bill to eliminate an onsite review requirement for title insurance agents was amended by lawmakers to include the provisions of more than a dozen other proposals heard by the committee this session.

Under current law, title insurers are required to conduct an annual review of a title insurance agent’s practices. LB92, introduced by Dunbar Sen. Julie Slama, removed a requirement that the review be done onsite.

Included in measures amended into the bill are three proposals from Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar.

Among other provisions, LB145 amends laws relating to insurance coverage requirements for mammography screening and breast examinations by expanding coverage for younger women and those with increased breast cancer risk and heterogeneous or dense breast tissue, beginning Jan. 1, 2024.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

LB383 requires coverage of at-home colorectal cancer screening kits and prohibits imposition of a deductible, coinsurance or other cost-sharing requirement for screening colonoscopies, including those performed as a result of a positive non-colonoscopy, stool-based preventive screen.

LB779 specifies that if there is a national shortage of an insulin drug, a covered individual is ensured access to insulin at a maximum of \$35 per 30-day supply until such time that the national shortage ends.

Provisions of Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell’s LB616 align Nebraska’s economic development structure with the requirements of the federal Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) for America Act. Provisions of his LB617 create the



Sen. Mike McDonnell

Economic Development Cash Fund to provide matching grants to a Nebraska-based covered entity that qualifies under the CHIPS for America Act.

Also included in the omnibus bill is LB587, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Anna Wishart, which creates a regulatory sandbox program under the state Department of Insurance to allow a participating entity to temporarily test innovative insurance products or services on a limited basis without otherwise being licensed or authorized under state law.



Sen. Anna Wishart

Provisions of the following bills relating to banking and insurance regulation also were amended into LB92:

- LB3, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Rita Sanders, which changes provisions for tax levies for bonds issued by political subdivisions;
- LB68, introduced by Slama, which increases from \$500,000 to \$1 million the minimum amount of proof of financial responsibility of medical malpractice liability for health care providers beginning Jan. 1, 2024, and increases professional liability insurance from \$1 million to \$3 million for aggregate limits for physicians and nurse anesthetists;
- LB93, also introduced by Slama, which updates requirements regarding security deposits made by insurers for the benefit of policyholders to include creditors in the same manner as policyholders;
- LB207, introduced by Elkhorn Sen. R. Brad von Gillern, which allows a sale of trust property under the Nebraska Trust Deeds Act to occur at a public building where county offices are located within the county in which the property to be sold – or some part of it – is located;



Sen. Rita Sanders



Sen. R. Brad von Gillern

- LB214, introduced by Slama, which adopts federal updates to state banking and finance law and changes provisions relating to the Nebraska Installment Loan Act and loan brokerage agreements;
- LB278, introduced by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz, which requires the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority and the state Department of Economic Development



Sen. Lynne Walz

to use their best efforts to obtain state and federal grants to build safe, affordable and accessible housing for individuals with disabilities and collaborate with the state Department of Health and Human Services to obtain such grants;

- LB392, sponsored by Ballard, which authorizes the electronic delivery of certain health benefit plan documents;
- LB437, also sponsored by Ballard, which changes the renewal period for business entity licenses under the Insurance Producers Licensing Act from annual to biennial, beginning April 30, 2024;
- LB536, introduced by Slama, which changes provisions relating to investment by insurers in preferred and common stock;
- LB669, introduced by Ballard, which allows the department to prescribe conditions on certain financial institutions as a part of any order, decision or determination required under state laws governing those institutions; and
- LB674, introduced by Sen. Mike Jacobson of North Platte, which updates state law that governs digital asset depository institutions and digital asset departments within banks to improve regulation and makes technical corrections.



Sen. Mike Jacobson

LB92 passed on a vote of 46-0 and took effect immediately.

Other measures

A bill intended to ensure that state funds are not used for political purposes was advanced by the committee but was not scheduled for debate this session.

LB67, sponsored by Slama, would require the state treasurer to ensure that money deposited by the office not be used by financial institutions for “social or political causes or objectives.”

Also advanced but not debated this session was LB308, sponsored by Bostar, which would require express consent from Nebraska residents for the sharing, storage and use of any consumer genetic data by direct-to-consumer genetic testing services.

Under the bill, a direct-to-consumer genetic testing company could not disclose a consumer’s genetic data to any entity offering health, life or long-term care insurance or to an employer without written consent. The measure also would require a process by which consumers could delete their accounts and their genetic data.

Both bills remain on general file. ■

BUSINESS & LABOR



Sen. Merv Riepe, chairperson of the Business and Labor Committee

Lawmakers approved an omnibus bill this session relating to the regulation of business and labor law in Nebraska.

LB191, as originally introduced by Hastings Sen. Steve Halloran, would have made certain workers' compensation injury reports confidential for 60 days from the date of filing.

The bill was gutted by a Business and Labor Committee amendment on general file in order to replace it with provisions of a variety of measures heard by the committee.

Provisions of LB267, sponsored by Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer, prioritize resources such as personal protective equipment, vaccines and medical treatment for critical infrastructure utility workers during a civil defense emergency.

LB249, sponsored by Albion Sen. Tom Briese, adds



Sen. Steve Halloran



Sen. Tom Brewer

the extension of sewer or water service as an eligible activity under the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act.

The committee package also includes provisions of five other bills that make technical changes to existing law:

- LB427, sponsored by Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe, which amends the Nebraska Contractor Registration Act to no longer require out-of-state contractors to pay a one-time \$25 registration fee or submit a \$25 fee for each contract they receive of at least \$10,000;

- LB460, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, which requires the state Department of Health and Human Services to reimburse first responders for examination costs related to mental health injuries that are not reimbursed by their employer and requires that rates be established by the Critical Incident Stress Management program;

- LB639, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Carol Blood, which changes notice requirements on proposed workers' compensation regulations and eliminates certain other hearing and summons requirements;

- LB666, also sponsored by Riepe, which amends the state Employment Security Law to allow employers to choose their preferred method of document delivery and extends the deadline for employers to submit voluntary contributions to the state Department of Labor from Jan. 10 to Feb. 28 each year; and

- LB671, sponsored by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen, which allows the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund to be used for employee retention for Nebraska businesses.

LB191 passed 46-0 and took effect immediately.

Two bills considered by the committee would make changes to the state's minimum wage law.

LB15, introduced by Briese, would create a youth minimum wage and a youth training wage for certain new employees in Nebraska.

At the November 2022 general election, Nebraskans voted to increase the state minimum wage from \$9 to



Sen. Tom Briese



Sen. Mike McDonnell



Sen. Carol Blood



Sen. Ben Hansen

\$10.50 per hour on Jan. 1, 2023. The rate then increases incrementally until reaching \$15 per hour on Jan. 1, 2026, and adjusts annually going forward based on the Consumer Price Index to account for cost-of-living increases.

LB15 would set the minimum wage for employees age 14 to 17 at \$9 through 2023, increasing .25 cents per year until reaching \$10 per hour in 2026.

The bill also would allow employers to pay new employees who are not seasonal or migrant workers between ages 18 and 20 a minimum training wage of \$9.25 through 2024, increasing to \$10 per hour through 2026. Beginning

Jan. 1, 2027, the training wage would be 75 percent of the otherwise applicable minimum wage.

Another proposal would cap the upcoming annual cost-of-living increases to the state's minimum wage.

LB327, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Jane Raybould, would increase the wage by the lesser of 1.5 percent or the CPU beginning Jan. 1, 2028.

Both bills were advanced to general file by the committee but were not scheduled for debate this session. ■



Sen. Jane Raybould

EDUCATION



Sen. Dave Murman, chairperson of the Education Committee

The state will direct approximately \$300 million per year in additional funding to K-12 public schools under a bill advanced by the Education Committee this session.

Under LB583, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Rita Sanders at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, the state will pay public school districts \$1,500 in foundation aid per student beginning with school fiscal year 2023-24.

The bill, passed on a vote of 44-0, also requires the state Department of Education to reimburse each school district 80 percent of the total allowable excess costs for all special education programs and support services in the following school year.

Foundation aid and special education reimbursements will be paid from the new Education Future Fund created under LB818, sponsored by La Vista Sen. John Arch at the request of the governor.



Sen. Rita Sanders



Sen. John Arch

The bill requires the state treasurer to transfer \$1 billion from the state's general fund to the Education Future Fund in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$250 million in FY2024-25.

Omnibus bill

The committee also advanced a proposal distributing state lottery funds to education programs.

LB705, introduced by Sen. Dave Murman of Glenvil, allocates state lottery funds to a number of new and existing education programs for FY2024-25 through FY2028-29, including behavioral awareness training for school personnel and grants for teachers seeking qualification to teach dual-credit courses.

The Nebraska Opportunity Grant Fund, which provides financial aid to low-income Nebraska residents enrolled at postsecondary educational institutions, will receive 58 percent of the funds.

Under one new program, which will receive 8 percent, the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council will ensure that annual behavioral awareness training is available statewide beginning in school year 2024-25. Beginning with the 2026-27 school year, each school district will ensure that administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, school nurses and counselors receive the training.

The bill also requires the state Department of Education to develop and adopt a model policy relating to behavioral intervention, behavioral and classroom management and removal of a student from a classroom. School districts are required to adopt their own policies consistent with or comparable to the model policy by Aug. 1, 2025.

The new College Pathway Program Cash Fund will receive 2 percent of the lottery funds. Under the new program, the department will provide grants to qualifying service providers that help low-income and underrepresented students graduate from high school, apply to college and complete the requirements to receive an associate or bachelor's degree.

LB705 allocates 1.5 percent of the funds to a new mental health training grant program administered by the department.

Under another new program, the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education will provide up to \$250,000 in grants each year to teachers enrolled in education pathways leading to qualification to teach dual-credit and career and technical education courses.

One percent of the funds are allocated to the new Door to College Scholarship Act, under which the commission will provide grants of up to \$5,000 annually to eligible students for their educational expenses at public or private

postsecondary educational institutions in Nebraska.

Eligible students must receive a high school diploma from an accredited education program at a youth rehabilitation and treatment center or from a public, private, denominational or parochial school within one year of being discharged from a YRTC.

LB705 also includes provisions of several measures aimed at addressing Nebraska's teacher shortage, school safety and other educational concerns.

Teacher recruitment and retention

The amended provisions of LB385, introduced by Sen. Lou Ann Linehan of Elkhorn, create a grant program administered by the state Department of Education intended to recruit and retain Nebraska elementary and high school teachers.

Under the proposal, teachers who have signed a contract to complete their second, fourth or sixth year of full-time employment as a teacher at a Nebraska school may apply for a \$2,500 grant.

Teachers who obtain an endorsement in special education, mathematics, science, technology or dual credit may apply for a \$5,000 grant.

The amended provisions of LB603, also sponsored by Linehan, require the commissioner of education to issue an alternative certificate to teach full time to applicants with a bachelor's degree who have successfully completed a qualifying alternative teacher certification program.

Alternative certificate holders must participate in a school district clinical experience during their first semester of employment as a teacher.

Under the amended provisions of LB724, introduced by Omaha Sen. Tony Vargas, applicants for an entry-level teaching permit or a temporary certificate to teach on a full-time basis no longer must demonstrate basic proficiency in reading, writing and math by passing a standardized test designated by the State Board of Education.

The amended provisions of LB762, introduced by Sen. Wendy DeBoer of Bennington, create the Nebraska Teacher Apprenticeship Program. An employee of a public or private school or an individual who has a contract to begin working for a public or private



Sen. Lou Ann Linehan



Sen. Tony Vargas



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

school at the start of the school year may apply.

In order to earn a teaching certificate under the program, an applicant is required to complete a one-year apprenticeship in a classroom, have a bachelor's degree and pass subject area and pedagogy examinations created by the state Department of Education.

School safety and discipline

The amended provisions of LB516, introduced by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz, state legislative intent to appropriate \$870,000 in state general funds to the state Department of Education to administer the Safe2HelpNE report line, beginning with fiscal year 2024-25.

Other provisions originally included in LB516 require the commissioner of education to administer a grant program to provide funding for security-related infrastructure projects including surveillance equipment, door-locking systems and double-entry doors for school buildings.

Under the amended provisions of LB632, introduced by Sen. Terrell McKinney of Omaha, an elementary school may not suspend a student in pre-kindergarten through second grade unless the student brings a deadly weapon on school grounds. McKinney's proposal also requires school districts to develop a policy that includes disciplinary measures inside the school as an alternative to suspension.

Provisions of LB774, sponsored by Vargas, make several changes to the hearing process related to long-term suspension, expulsion or mandatory reassignment of public school students.

Among other updates, the proposal allows a student's parent or guardian to request a hearing examiner other than the one recommended by the superintendent. It also requires school districts to give suspended students an opportunity to complete classwork and homework missed during the suspension.

Additional K-12 measures

Under the amended provisions of LB153, introduced by DeBoer, school districts may apply to the state Department of Education for payment from a new fund intended to help small school districts cover large, unexpected special education expenditures.



Sen. Lynne Walz



Sen. Terrell McKinney

Provisions of LB201, introduced by Vargas, require public high school students to complete and submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid prior to graduating, beginning with school year 2024-25.

A student's parent or legal guardian, or the school principal or the principal's designee, may authorize the student to decline to complete and submit a FAFSA. A student who is 19 or older or an emancipated minor also may decline.

The amended provisions of LB372, sponsored by Murman, require school boards to establish policies and procedures allowing a homeschool student who is a resident of the district to participate in extracurricular activities to the same extent as a student enrolled in a public school governed by the board.

The policies and procedures must require a homeschool student who participates in extracurricular activities to be enrolled in no more and no less than five credit hours offered by the school district in any semester.

The amended provisions of LB414, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Danielle Conrad, require school districts to adopt specific capacity standards for acceptance and rejection of option enrollment applications and determine capacity for special education services on a case-by-case basis.

If the application of a student with an individualized education program or a diagnosed disability is rejected, the proposal requires the school district to provide written notification to the student's parent or guardian describing the required services and accommodations that the district does not have the capacity to provide.

Beginning in 2024, Conrad's measure also requires each district to provide the department certain information relating to all option enrollment applications rejected by the district each year.

Also included are provisions of the following proposals:

- LB520, sponsored by Walz, which requires public school students to complete at least five high school credit hours in computer science and technology education prior to graduation beginning in school year 2027-28 rather than 2026-27;
- LB585, introduced by Sen. Jana Hughes of Seward, which expands a current requirement that certain school personnel receive suicide awareness and prevention training each year;
- LB647, introduced by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, which requires the depart-



Sen. Danielle Conrad



Sen. Jana Hughes

ment to purchase and loan textbooks – including digital, electronic or online resources – to children enrolled in kindergarten to twelfth grade of an approved private school;

- LB648, also sponsored by McDonnell, which authorizes the department to fund a workforce diploma program to provide dropout recovery services to adults and youths 16 and older who are not required to be enrolled in secondary school;
- LB708, introduced by Arch, which requires the state Department of Education, the state Department of Health and Human Services, the Office of Probation Administration and the State Court Administrator to enter into a memorandum of understanding for data sharing to improve educational opportunities for students who are under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court;
- LB787, introduced by Sen. Justin Wayne of Omaha, which requires the State Board of Education to establish an innovation grant program to procure or purchase an annual license for a three-dimensional, game-based learning platform to engage middle and high school students in coursework and careers in science, technology, engineering, entrepreneurship and mathematics; and
- LB805, sponsored by Elkhorn Sen. R. Brad von Gillern, which requires each school district to allow a representative of certain youth organizations, including the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, to provide information, services and activities to students in a school building or on school grounds at least once during each school year.



Sen. Mike McDonnell



Sen. Justin Wayne



Sen. R. Brad von Gillern

Postsecondary education measures

Under the amended provisions of LB222, sponsored by Sen. John Fredrickson of Omaha, a public college or university may not inquire about or consider a person's criminal history or juvenile court record as part of its application and admission process for disciplines not requiring licensure or clinical field placements.

Schools still may inquire about or consider that information to the extent required by state or federal law when voluntarily submitted by an applicant.

The restriction does not apply to inquiries or consideration of criminal history or juvenile court record information in any application or other process relating to student housing or any athletic program.

The provisions of LB356, introduced by Walz, make technical changes to the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act, updating a term to match a federal change related to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid and clarifying a definition to account for online universities.

Under the provisions of LB698, sponsored by Murman, a member of the U.S. Space Force who enrolls in a public college or university in Nebraska is considered a resident student.

The amended provisions of LB703, also introduced by Murman, allow Nebraska state colleges and the University of Nebraska to manage the liquidation of surplus property.

LB705 passed on a vote of 47-0.

Other measures

The state will collect data on students identified as having dyslexia under a bill advanced by the committee this session.

LB298, introduced by Linehan and passed 44-0, requires school districts to provide certain information on dyslexia to the state Department of Education each year. The department will compile the information and provide an annual report to the Legislature.

The required information includes the number of students in each public school tested for a specific learning disability in the area of reading, including tests that identify characteristics of dyslexia, and the results of those tests.

As amended, the bill includes provisions of LB630, sponsored by McKinney. The measure requires Nebraska school boards to adopt a written dress code and grooming policy to be implemented at the start of the 2025-26 school year that is consistent with a model policy developed by the department.

The model policy may not:

- target, disproportionately impact, discriminate or be applied in a discriminatory manner against any students on the basis of race, religion, sex, disability or national origin;
- prohibit a student from wearing attire, including religious attire, natural and protective hairstyles,



Sen. John Fredrickson

adornments or other characteristics associated with race, national origin or religion; or

- require a student's hair to be permanently or temporarily altered.

LB298 also includes provisions of LB413, sponsored by Sen. Carol Blood of Bellevue, authorizing Nebraska to join the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact, which is intended to streamline the licensure process for teachers when moving between member states.



Sen. Carol Blood

A bill intended to ensure that voters must approve certain bonds issued to pay for the construction of school buildings remains on select file.

LB299, introduced by Linehan, would prohibit any joint entity that includes a Nebraska school district or educational service unit from issuing bonds without approval from a majority of their qualified voters in a special election. The restriction would apply to joint public entities created on or after the bill's effective date.

The committee advanced a bill intended to maximize participation in a federal reimbursement program that allows school districts with high poverty rates to serve free breakfast and lunch to all of their students, but it was not scheduled for first-round debate.

LB285, introduced by Walz, would require public schools that serve a certain percentage of students in poverty to opt in to the program, called the community eligibility provision.

Under the bill's provisions, the state Department of Education could waive the requirement if a district shows that participation in the CEP is not "financially viable." The department would provide technical assistance to those schools to help them adopt the CEP in the future.

Nebraska students would be required to use school bathrooms and play on school sports teams based on their sex assigned at birth rather than their gender identity under another bill heard by the committee.

Under LB575, sponsored by Sen. Kathleen Kauth of Omaha, school athletic teams or sports would be designated as for males, men or boys; females, women or girls; or coed or mixed.

The bill also would require Nebraska public and private schools to designate each group bathroom and locker room in school buildings as either for use by "biological" females or males, as determined by chromosomes and anatomy.



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

LB575 remains in committee. ■

EXECUTIVE BOARD



Sen. Tom Briese, chairperson of the Executive Board

Lawmakers approved a proposal intended to expand access to video of legislative proceedings this session. Nebraska Public Media currently broadcasts and live-streams video coverage of legislative public committee hearings and floor debate.

LB254, sponsored by Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer, requires the Executive Board to develop and maintain a publicly accessible, digital internet archive of that coverage beginning with the 2025 legislative session or as soon as live, closed-captioned video coverage of the Legislature is available.

Video will be closed-captioned in English and Spanish and indexed by bill number or date.

The bill includes provisions of LB552, sponsored by Sen. John Cavanaugh of Omaha, which extend the termination date for the Legislature's Mental Health Care Capacity Strategic Planning Commit-



Sen. Tom Brewer



Sen. John Cavanaugh

tee by one year, to Nov. 1, 2025.

The measure also extends the deadline by which the committee must contract with an independent consultant to Nov. 1, 2023, and the reporting deadline for findings and recommendations to Nov. 1, 2024.

Also included is Adams Sen. Myron Dorn's LB90 that makes technical changes to performance audits conducted by the Legislature.

The Legislative Audit Office, a division of the Legislature, conducts performance audits to review state agency programs and evaluate agency success in effectively implementing legislative intent.

Among other provisions, the measure eliminates audit requirements for the Nebraska Advantage Act tax incentive program, which was replaced by the ImagiNE Nebraska Act in 2020, and removes references to outdated U.S. Department of Labor code designations.

LB254 passed on 48-0 vote and took effect immediately.

A proposed constitutional change to legislative term limits was advanced to general file by the Executive Board but was not scheduled for debate this year.

LR22CA, sponsored by Norfolk Sen. Robert Dover, potentially would extend the current limit of two consecutive four-year terms for state senators to three consecutive four-year terms. If approved by the Legislature, the proposed change would be placed on the general election ballot for voter approval.

The Executive Board held public hearings on several other proposed changes to legislative structure and operations this year.

LB54, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Terrell McKinney, would require any bill introduced in the Nebraska Legislature related to criminal or juvenile justice to be accompanied by a statement informing lawmakers of the effect the bill would have on communities of color or other marginalized groups.

Statements would be produced by the Legislative Research Office and would summarize the estimated impact on racial minority populations in Nebraska and could include any relevant research on the historical racial impact of similar legislation.

LB39, sponsored by Bellevue Sen.



Sen. Myron Dorn



Sen. Robert Dover



Sen. Terrell McKinney



Sen. Carol Blood

Carol Blood, outlines the same requirement for bills related to persons with disabilities.

Both bills remain in committee.

Also considered by the Executive Board but not advanced was a proposal under which Nebraska no longer would be the nation's only one-house legislative system.

LR2CA, introduced by Bayard Sen. Steve Erdman, would create a House of Representatives and a Senate within the Nebraska Legislature, beginning with the January 2027 legislative session.



Sen. Steve Erdman

If approved by the Legislature, the measure would be put before Nebraska voters for approval.

Membership in the proposed House of Representatives would be capped at 63 members and the Senate would contain 31 members. Each senate district would consist of three contiguous counties.

Erdman brought an amendment to the public hearing that would require state senators to be selected by an "appointment committee" rather than elected to their seats. Each three-member appointment committee would be made up of one individual from each county in a three-county district, selected to serve by the county board. ■

GENERAL AFFAIRS



Sen. John Lowe, chairperson of the General Affairs Committee

Measures to expand keno play and track alcoholic products being imported into the state were among those advanced by the General Affairs Committee and packaged into two omnibus bills this session.

Gaming

Lawmakers approved several updates to Nebraska gaming law.

LB775, introduced by Kearney Sen. John Lowe and passed 46-0, updates the definition of a licensed racetrack enclosure to include all real property licensed and used to conduct a race meeting, including the racetrack and any grandstand, concession stand, office, bar area, employee housing facility, parking lot or additional area designated by the State Racing and Gaming Commission.

Additionally, the bill grants the commission authority to create an adjudication subcommittee to investigate and respond to violations of the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act.

The provisions of LB232, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, also are included in the bill. Under the measure, players verified to be on the premises of a licensed Nebraska lottery location are able to purchase digital keno tickets.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

A lottery operator must file with the state Department of Revenue and provide clear procedural regulations in order to sell digital on-premises tickets. All regulations are subject to approval by the department.

The proposal also authorizes the use of additional ticket payment methods, including a debit card, bank account, prepaid cash account or the cash balance of a payment application. Debit cards are limited to \$200 in keno wagers from a lottery operator in a single calendar day.

LB775 also includes provisions from three other bills considered by the General Affairs Committee this session:

- LB72, introduced by Grand Island Sen. Raymond Aguilar, which amends the County and City Lottery Act to clarify that gross proceeds do not include any admission costs collected at any location where the lottery also is available to the public free of an admission charge;
- LB73, also introduced by Aguilar, which authorizes the use of funds from the County Visitors Promotion Fund to improve a facility in which a parimutuel wager is conducted if the facility also serves as the site of a state fair or district or county agricultural society fair; and
- LB544, sponsored by Sen. Danielle Conrad of Lincoln, which makes minor changes to the Nebraska Bingo Act to reflect advancements in technology.



Sen. Raymond Aguilar



Sen. Danielle Conrad

A bill that would have extended the deadline for studies evaluating horse racing and casino gaming in Nebraska remains in committee.

Under current Nebraska law, the state Racing and Gaming Commission is required to conduct a market analysis and socioeconomic impact study on horse racing and casino gaming statewide and in each county that has a licensed racetrack before any new licenses can be issued.

This stipulation was put in place last year in a continuing effort by the Legislature to implement a 2020 voter initiative that legalized all games of chance at licensed

horse racing tracks.

LB311, introduced by Lowe, would change the deadline to complete the studies from Jan. 1, 2025, to Jan. 1, 2029, although the commission could choose to complete the requirements at an earlier date.

Alcohol

Senators approved a number of changes to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act this session.

LB376, introduced by Lowe, creates a brand registration for the state Liquor Control Commission to accurately identify and track alcoholic products imported into Nebraska.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2024, every licensed manufacturer, wholesaler and shipper will be required to pay a registration fee — not to exceed \$30 — and submit a report to the commission prior to the sale or shipment of any alcoholic liquor into the state.

Provisions of five additional bills heard by the General Affairs Committee are included in LB376:

- LB259, introduced by Lowe, which allows farm wineries to apply for a license to sell beer, mixed drinks and other alcoholic beverages not produced by the farm winery for consumption on their premises;
- LB377, also introduced by Lowe, which increases from six to 12 the maximum number of Special

Designated Licenses that a nonprofit may apply for in a calendar year;

- LB452, sponsored by Glenvil Sen. Dave Murman, which allows the holder of a microdistillery license to sell up to 500 gallons of their products directly to licensed retail facilities annually;



Sen. Dave Murman

- LB596, introduced by Sen. Brian Hardin of Gering, which permits liquor manufacturers and wholesalers to enter into an advertising or sponsorship agreement with a nonprofit organization, municipal or religious corporation or political subdivision that holds an SDL if a similar measure is passed at the federal level; and



Sen. Brian Hardin

- LB667, sponsored by Sen. Jana Hughes of Seward, which authorizes alcohol wholesalers to use channel pricing — a strategy used to determine a product's price based on the retailer's license and business type.



Sen. Jana Hughes

LB376 passed on a 41-0 vote and took effect immediately. ■

GOVERNMENT, MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS



Sen. Tom Brewer, chairperson of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee

Establishing a legal framework for the state's new photo ID voting requirement, earlier restoration of felon voting rights and a state holiday honoring Malcolm X were among the measures considered by the Legislature this session.

Elections

Lawmakers passed a bill that implements the provisions of an initiative petition approved by voters in 2022 establishing a photo ID requirement to vote in Nebraska.

LB514, as originally introduced by Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer, would have served as the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee's annual elections clean-up bill. The measure was gutted on general file and replaced with a committee voter ID proposal.

Among other provisions, LB514 lays out the requirements for a valid form of photographic identification, which includes a document issued by the state of Nebraska,

an agency or a political subdivision of the state, the U.S. military, a Nebraska postsecondary educational institution or a recognized Native American tribe or band.

A hospital, assisted-living facility, nursing home or other skilled care facility record that includes a photo or digital image also will qualify.

The secretary of state's office is required to provide a website dedicated to voter ID requirements and procedures and implement a public awareness campaign. No fee will be charged to Nebraska residents for an original, renewal or duplicate state ID card for voting purposes.

An individual without a photo ID may vote provisionally at the polls if they certify that they have a "reasonable impediment," including a religious objection to being photographed or a situation that prevents them from obtaining a valid photo ID such as a disability or illness, lack of a birth certificate or the inability to obtain other required documents.

Ballots that do not meet the bill's requirements can be validated through the election commissioner or county clerk's office by providing missing information by the Tuesday following the election.

Voters who request to have a ballot mailed to them must provide a Nebraska driver's license number, state ID card number or a photocopy of another valid photo ID with their request.

Lawmakers passed LB514 on a 38-1 vote and the measure took effect immediately.

An alternative photo ID proposal, sponsored by Dunbar Sen. Julie Slama, was advanced by the committee but was not scheduled for debate. Among other provisions, LB535, under an amendment brought by Slama to the bill's public hearing, would require individuals requesting to vote by mail to provide notarized confirmation of a valid photo ID.

The committee heard a number of other proposals this session that would make changes to Nebraska's election laws.

A measure sponsored by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne that would allow Nebraskans convicted of a felony to have their voting rights restored sooner was advanced from committee but was not scheduled for debate.

LB20 would restore voting rights automatically upon completion of a felony sentence or probation. Currently, ex-felons must wait two years before being able to register to vote.

LB193, introduced by Hastings Sen. Steve Halloran, would prohibit any voting system or component from being purchased or used unless designed, manufactured, integrated and assembled in the U.S. from entities accredited



Sen. Justin Wayne

by the U.S. Department of Defense.

Halloran also introduced LB808, which would permit election commissioners and county clerks to conduct a hand count for tabulating votes cast in any election. The bill also would allow an apparent loser at a general election to request and receive a hand recount.



Sen. Steve Halloran

LB228, introduced by Sen. Steve Erdman of Bayard, would eliminate voting by mail except for military personnel and those living in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. The bill also would establish primary and general election days as statewide holidays, stipulate that all ballots be counted at the precinct level on election day and limit early voting to in-person at either a county election or county clerk's office.



Sen. Steve Erdman

Erdman also introduced LB230, which, among other provisions, would limit early voting to those who are "handicapped" or members of the armed forces or Nebraska National Guard.

LB457, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft, would require video surveillance of voting areas and implementation of anti-counterfeiting ballot techniques, including a watermark, a hologram and other techniques used to protect U.S. paper currency.



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

The bill also would require that any vote scanning device or tabulating equipment be verified and certified by election officials to be incapable of executing any embedded code or triggers on scanned ballots.

Nebraska's five Electoral College votes would be assigned to the statewide winner in presidential elections under LB764, sponsored by Central City Sen. Loren Lippincott. The bill would end Nebraska's split system of awarding electoral votes, in place since 1991. Currently, the statewide winner receives two electoral votes and the winner of each of the state's three congressional districts receives one electoral vote.



Sen. Loren Lippincott

All six proposals remain in committee.

Other measures

Provisions of a bill initially heard by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee were amended

into an Urban Affairs Committee omnibus package and approved by lawmakers. LB474, introduced by Wayne, requires the state Game and Parks Commission to receive, rehabilitate and manage the Mayhew Cabin historical site in Nebraska City.

Other provisions of LB474 related to facility updates at the Fort Robinson historical site were successfully amended into the state budget package and approved this session.

A proposal from Gering Sen. Brian Hardin also was considered by the committee and became part of the state budget but subsequently was line-item vetoed by Gov. Jim Pillen.



Sen. Brian Hardin

LB712 would have transferred \$10 million from the Cash Reserve Fund to provide grants to help panhandle communities prepare for an influx of contractors to the area to update the country's aging ICBM missile system.

No override motion was offered.

A bill meant to enhance a state tuition support program for Nebraska National Guard members remains on select file.

The program, which provides a 100 percent undergraduate tuition credit to Nebraska National Guard members who enroll in any state-supported university, college, community college or accredited, nonprofit independent college, currently is capped at \$900,000 annually.

As introduced, LB52, sponsored by Lippincott, would have raised the cap to \$1 million. Lawmakers amended the bill to remove the cap entirely.

LB53, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Terrell McKinney would establish May 19 as El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, Malcolm X Day in Nebraska. The committee advance the bill to general file but it was not scheduled for debate this session.



Sen. Terrell McKinney

Also advanced by the committee was LB194, sponsored by Halloran, which would prohibit any state or political subdivision employee from enforcing any federal law regulating a firearm, firearm accessory or ammunition unless the measure also is codified in state law.

An individual in violation of the bill's provisions would be subject to a fine of up to \$3,000 for a first offense and a Class I misdemeanor for second or subsequent offenses. A political subdivision that adopts an ordinance in violation of the bill would be ineligible to receive state funds for one fiscal year.

LB194 remains on general file.

Under LB297, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Rita Sanders, local and state government agencies could not compel a nonprofit organization to release the personal information of its members, supporters, volunteers or donors.

The bill's provisions would not apply to legally required disclosures under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act or



Sen. Rita Sanders

for use in criminal or civil investigations.

LB297 was advanced by the committee to general file but was not scheduled for debate this year.

Another proposal sponsored by Sanders remains in committee. LB2 would create a 14-member commission composed of individuals of Asian descent and appointed by the governor. The commission would coordinate programs and promote state and federal legislation beneficial to Asian Americans in Nebraska. ■

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Sen. Ben Hansen, chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee

Measures intended to restrict abortion and gender affirming care for minors, address the state’s health care workforce shortage and increase access to behavioral health services were among the proposals considered by the Health and Human Services Committee.

Gender affirming care, abortion restrictions

Two bills advanced by the committee dominated the legislative session and ultimately were combined into one measure.

An effort by Thurston Sen. Joni Albrecht to effectively ban abortion at six weeks under her LB626 stalled on the second round of consideration following a failed attempt to force a vote on the bill’s advancement.

Under Albrecht’s bill, a physician would be required to

test for “steady and repetitive rhythmic contractions” within the gestational sac before inducing an abortion by estimating gestational age, performing an ultrasound and making a medical record of methods used. If such activity were detected, a physician would be prohibited from performing an abortion except in cases of sexual assault, incest or medical emergency.



Sen. Joni Albrecht

Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe attempted to amend LB626 during select file debate to narrow the state’s current 20-week post-fertilization ban to a 12-week ban. His proposal also included an exception for a fetal anomaly incompatible with life – defined as one diagnosed before birth that cannot be treated and would, with all reasonable certainty, result in the death of an unborn child within three months.

Riepe’s proposal also would have repealed sections of existing state law outlining criminal penalties for providing unauthorized abortion care. A cloture motion on LB626 fell one vote short, failing 32-15, ending debate before lawmakers could consider Riepe’s amendment.

Later in the session, Blair Sen. Ben Hansen offered a revised version of the proposal as an amendment to another bill heard by the committee this session, LB574.

That measure, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth, was successfully amended to create the Let Them Grow Act and the Preborn Child Protection Act.

The Preborn Child Protection Act narrows Nebraska’s current 20-week post-fertilization abortion ban to instead ban the procedure after the gestational age of 12 weeks. Gestational age calculates a pregnancy from the first day of a pregnant individual’s last menstrual cycle rather than from the moment of fertilization.

The act retains exceptions for sexual assault, incest and medical emergencies outlined in LB626, but does not include exceptions for fetal anomalies. The bill also does not repeal sections of existing state law outlining penalties for providing unauthorized abortion care.

The following are excluded from the definition of an abortion under the bill:

- removal of an ectopic pregnancy;
- removal of the remains of an unborn child who already has died;
- an act done with the intention of saving the life or preserving the health of an unborn child; and
- termination or loss of life of an unborn child who is not being carried inside an individual’s body during



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

the practice of in vitro fertilization or other assisted reproductive technology.

Also included in LB574 is the Let Them Grow Act.

Beginning Oct. 1, 2023, the bill prohibits physicians from performing “gender-altering” surgical procedures on individuals under age 19. The bill grants the state’s chief medical officer the authority to establish regulations regarding non-surgical gender-altering procedures for minors in Nebraska, including the use of hormone therapy and puberty blockers.

At minimum, the regulations must state that a health care practitioner may prescribe or approve puberty-blocking drugs and/or cross-sex hormones for a patient younger than 19 only if the individual has a “long-lasting and intense pattern of gender nonconformity or gender dysphoria” that began or worsened at the start of puberty.

Other minimum requirements include a minimum number of gender-identity focused therapeutic hours and a waiting period between the time a health care practitioner obtains informed patient consent and the prescribing of hormone therapy and puberty blockers.

The state Department of Health and Human Services may adopt rules and regulations consistent with those established by the chief medical officer.

Under LB574, individuals who began receiving care prior to the ban’s effective date will be able to continue treatment.

A physician who knowingly violates the bill’s provisions is subject to review by the state’s medical licensing board. An individual who received a gender-altering procedure while under the age of 19, or their parent or guardian, could bring a civil action against the physician within two years of discovery.

The bill also prohibits the distribution or use of state funds for any entity, organization or individual that provides gender-altering surgery for minors in Nebraska.

LB574 passed on a vote of 33-15 and took effect immediately.

Omnibus health services

A bill intended to cover a Medicaid reimbursement gap in Nebraska became an omnibus health services measure.

LB227, introduced by Hansen, requires that the state Department of Health and Human Services provide Medicaid reimbursement to a hospital at 100 percent of the statewide average nursing facility per diem rate if a Medicaid enrollee:

- has been admitted as an inpatient to the hospital;
- no longer requires acute inpatient care and discharge planning;

- requires nursing facility level of care upon discharge; and
- is unable to be transferred to a nursing facility due to a lack of available beds or requires a public guardian but one is unable to be appointed.

Lawmakers amended LB227 to include provisions of more than 20 other measures related to health care licensure, practice and programs.

Among those measures is LB84, introduced by Omaha Sen. Jen Day, which extends eligibility for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits. SNAP eligibility in Nebraska currently is set at 165 percent of the federal poverty level, but was scheduled to drop to 135 percent of FPL on Oct. 1, 2023.



Sen. Jen Day

LB84 extends the sunset date for expanded SNAP eligibility to Oct. 1, 2025.

The provisions of LB570 also are included. Originally introduced by Omaha Sen. Tony Vargas, LB570 creates the Overdose Fatality Review Teams Act to design a regulatory framework for establishing county level multidisciplinary teams to collect data related to opioid overdose deaths in Nebraska.



Sen. Tony Vargas

DHHS is responsible for developing regulations to carry out the act and teams will begin providing annual de-identified data on local incidents, causes and contributing factors of opioid deaths by June 1, 2024.

Other measures included in the omnibus package are:

- LB35, introduced by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, which extends the sunset date for transitional child care assistance under the federal Child Care Subsidy program and cash assistance to families who have not achieved economic self-sufficiency to Oct. 1, 2026;



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

- LB75, introduced by Vargas, which grants the state’s Child and Maternal Death Review Team the authority to conduct reviews of the rates, trends and causes of severe maternal morbidity in the state;
- LB123, introduced by Sen. John Fredrickson of Omaha, which requires behavior analysts to obtain a credential under the Uniform Credentialing Act and creates a



Sen. John Fredrickson

Board of Behavior Analysts to establish licensure standards and adopt a code of conduct;

- LB181, introduced by Hansen, which specifies that a prescription remains valid despite the prescribing practitioner's subsequent death or retirement, or the suspension or revocation of the prescribing practitioner's credential, and allows a pharmacist to use their professional judgment to fill or refill a prescription which has sufficient fills remaining;
- LB202, introduced by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz, which allows certified and trained pharmacy technicians to administer vaccines to individuals over 3 years of age if the vaccine is verified by a supervising pharmacist on site;
- LB219, introduced by Sen. Teresa Ibach of Sumner, which requires DHHS to rebase inpatient interim per diem rates for critical access hospitals every two years using the most recent audited Medicare cost report;
- LB245, introduced by Walz, which increases the per diem reimbursement for members of the Board of Barber Examiners from \$75 to \$150;
- LB261, introduced by Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe, which changes the requirements of a split apprenticeship for individuals studying mortuary science by allowing the apprentice license to be completed while attending a mortuary science school;
- LB286, introduced by Walz, which provides confidentiality to physicians who participate in a wellness program unless a peer coach determines that the physician's condition constitutes a danger to public health and safety;
- LB345, introduced by Omaha Sen. Christy Armendariz, which defines palliative care as specialized medical care for people living with a serious illness that carries a high risk of mortality or negatively impacts quality of life;
- LB357, introduced by Walz, which increases the maximum monthly support allowable under the Disabled Persons and Family Support Act from \$300 to a maxi-



Sen. Lynne Walz



Sen. Teresa Ibach



Sen. Merv Riepe



Sen. Christy Armendariz

imum of \$400 for eligible individuals and from \$150 to \$200 for an additional disabled family member;

- LB402, introduced by Sen. Beau Ballard of Lincoln, which specifies that the definition of a home health agency does not include a person or entity that engages only in social work practice;



Sen. Beau Ballard



Sen. Anna Wishart

- LB419, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Anna Wishart, which expands Medicaid coverage for postpartum women from 60 days to at least six months. DHHS may submit a state plan amendment for 12 months;

- LB431, sponsored by Hastings Sen. Steve Halloran, which authorizes the Nebraska State Patrol to submit health professional licensure applicants' fingerprints to the F.B.I. for national criminal history record information checks;



Sen. Steve Halloran



Sen. Mike Jacobson

- LB434, introduced by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, which requires that long-term acute care hospitals enroll as Medicaid providers and directs DHHS to adopt a state plan amendment or federal Medicaid waiver;

- LB458, introduced by Ballard, which allows a fill pharmacy to deliver to a patient on behalf of a dispensing pharmacy if both pharmacies are under common ownership;

- LB517, introduced by Walz, which requires DHHS to implement a pilot program to facilitate the transfer of patients with complex health needs from eligible acute care hospitals to appropriate post-acute care settings and appropriates \$1 million to carry out the pilot program;

- LB572, introduced by Riepe, which updates the Medical Nutrition Therapy Act by making terminology consistent and providing a pathway to licensure for certified nutrition specialists;

- LB586, introduced by Seward Sen. Jana Hughes, which provides \$3 million in general funds in fiscal year 2023-24 and \$3 million in FY2024-25 to incentivize



Sen. Jana Hughes

and expand opportunities for nursing education and the training of nursing faculty;

- LB590, introduced by Sen. Rick Holdcroft of Bellevue, which increases the standard of need for eligible aged, blind and disabled persons from at least \$60 to \$75 per month for personal needs allowance if the individual resides in an alternative living arrangement;
- LB611, introduced by Riepe, which changes drug administration requirements for a hospital, ambulatory surgical center or health care practitioner facility to allow any unused portion of certain topical medications be offered to a patient upon discharge if required for continued treatment; and
- LB765, introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay, which eliminates regional trauma advisory boards and replaces them with regional trauma committees and updates definitions.



Sen. Rick Holdcroft



Sen. Barry DeKay

LB227 passed on a vote of 47-0 and certain sections took effect immediately.

Other measures

A new statewide delivery model for behavioral health service provision in Nebraska also was approved by lawmakers this session.

LB276, introduced by Wishart, adopts the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Act in an attempt to increase access to outpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment through service delivery coordination with community partners.

The CCBHC program requires that DHHS develop a prospective payment system through which providers will be reimbursed based on the anticipated cost of providing required services to Medicaid recipients on either a daily

or monthly basis, rather than on a fee-for-service basis.

Under LB276, DHHS will apply for a Medicaid state plan amendment through the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to implement the bill's provisions by Jan. 1, 2026.

The measure also states legislative intent to cap general fund appropriations to the program at \$4.5 million annually, which will be matched by federal funds.

The bill passed on a 46-0 vote and took effect immediately.

LB358, introduced by Walz, would increase the reimbursement rate for dental services provided under Medicaid by 25 percent. The bill was placed on general file by the committee but was not scheduled for debate.

LB792, introduced by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne, would require DHHS to create a pilot program located in a metropolitan class city to assess and treat individuals with PTSD resulting from community gun violence.

Omaha currently is the state's only metropolitan class city.

An amended version of LB792 was included in the state's budget proposal this session and approved by lawmakers. The proposal subsequently was vetoed by Gov. Jim Pillen and no override motion was offered.

LB88, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Megan Hunt, would remove the state's lifetime ban on Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program eligibility for individuals with certain drug-related convictions.

Also considered this session was LB179, sponsored by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson, which would prohibit credentialed health care professionals from providing conversion therapy to anyone under the age of 19 in Nebraska. The ban would not apply to a clergy member or religious counselor providing conversion therapy in a pastoral capacity rather than as a health care provider.

Both bills remain in committee. ■



Sen. Justin Wayne



Sen. Megan Hunt

JUDICIARY



Sen. Justin Wayne, chairperson of the Judiciary Committee

Repeal of the state’s concealed handgun permit requirement, continuing efforts to enact criminal justice reforms and an increase in judges’ salaries topped the list of judicial topics considered by senators this session.

Firearms

Lawmakers passed a bill that removed the concealed handgun permit requirement in Nebraska.

State law had required that an individual pass a background check, submit a \$100 permit fee and complete a gun safety course to obtain a concealed carry permit. LB77, introduced by Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer, waives those requirements.

Under the bill, an individual not otherwise prohibited from possessing or carrying a gun in Nebraska can conceal carry without a permit. LB77 also prohibits counties, cities and villages from regulating ownership,



Sen. Tom Brewer

possession or transportation of a concealed handgun.

The bill adds a misdemeanor charge for carrying a firearm or destructive device while committing certain “dangerous” misdemeanor crimes, including harassment, stalking, domestic violence, shoplifting and resisting arrest, among others. An individual is subject to a Class I misdemeanor for a first or second offense and a Class IV felony for a third or subsequent offense.

LB77 passed on a vote of 33-14.

A bill that would add off-duty peace officers to the list of individuals allowed to carry a firearm on school property was heard by the committee but not advanced.

Current state law prohibits an individual from carrying a firearm on school grounds with the exception of on-duty law enforcement, members of the armed forces and National Guard and certain individuals in other limited circumstances. LB17, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. George Dungan, would add full-time, off-duty peace officers to that list.



Sen. George Dungan

Another measure would prohibit possession of deadly weapons in the Nebraska State Capitol and on surrounding Capitol grounds.

Current state law defines a deadly weapon as a firearm, knife, machine gun and brass or iron knuckles. LB749, introduced by Omaha Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh, would ban all deadly weapons in the Capitol and on Capitol grounds, with exceptions for law enforcement, military and security personnel and individuals participating in ceremonial activities as approved by the Nebraska Capitol Commission.



Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh

Provisions of the bill would not apply to an individual who stores a deadly weapon – for example, an unloaded firearm – in a secure encasement in a vehicle. Violations would result in a Class IV felony charge, which carries a maximum penalty of two years imprisonment and one year post-release supervision, a \$10,000 fine or both.

LB749 remains in committee.

Criminal justice reform

LB50, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne, contains a number of provisions intended to improve the state’s criminal justice system.

Among other provisions, the measure requires each judicial district to establish a problem-solving court, cre-

ates a pilot program to administer virtual behavioral health treatment services for court-involved individuals and establishes a housing program for parolees who commit technical parole violations.

LB50 also terminates the Legislature’s Committee on Justice Reinvestment Oversight and requires that two criminal defense attorneys with at least 10 years experience be appointed by the governor to the newly created Nebraska Sentencing Reform Task Force.

The bill includes provisions of Wayne’s LB352 related to parole eligibility and habitual criminal enhancement.

Under those provisions, an offender who is serving a maximum sentence of up to 20 years will be parole eligible at least two years prior to their mandatory discharge date and an individual serving a sentence over 20 years will be parole eligible after serving 80 percent of the term prior to their mandatory discharge date.

The measure creates geriatric parole eligibility for certain offenders over age 75 who have served 15 years of their sentence. Offenders serving a life sentence or convicted of a Class I or Class IA felony or sex offenses are excluded.

The provisions also set the mandatory minimum term for a habitual offender at three years and the maximum term at no more than the maximum term given or 20 years – whichever is greater – for qualified offenders. Individuals who have committed offenses related to firearms, violence or sex crimes are excluded from these provisions.

LB50 was amended to contain the provisions of more than a dozen other bills related to criminal penalties, parole and probation:

- LB14, introduced by Dungan, which expands eligibility for the Young Adult Bridge to Independence program;
- LB27, also introduced by Dungan, which clarifies the appointment process of a public defender to an indigent defendant who files an appeal;
- LB30, sponsored by Dungan, which authorizes pleas of no contest in juvenile court cases;
- LB59, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, which temporarily pauses the statute of limitations for a post-conviction action while an appeal to the Supreme Court is pending;
- LB76, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, which allows law enforcement to access



Sen. Eliot Bostar



Sen. John Cavanaugh

certain probation and parole supervision information;

- LB137, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Carolyn Bosn, which creates an enhanced penalty for controlled substance offenses if use of the substance results in death or serious injury;



Sen. Carolyn Bosn



Sen. Mike McDonnell

- LB162, introduced by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, which creates a new Class I misdemeanor charge for tampering with an electronic monitoring device;

- LB220, introduced by Sumner Sen. Teresa

Ibach, which requires the Board of Pardons to notify a victim whose name appears in the file of a convicted person of any pardon or commutation at least 30 days prior to those proceedings and within 10 days of the granting of a pardon or commutation;



Sen. Teresa Ibach

- LB265, introduced by Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer, which requires the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services to provide stab-resistant protective vests to each corrections officer;

- LB314, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson, which requires suicide prevention materials to be provided to firearm purchasers;



Sen. John Fredrickson



Sen. Merv Riepe

- LB337, introduced by Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe, which clarifies when mental health practitioners may share an individual’s medical records when consent cannot be obtained;

- LB494, introduced by Dungan, which allows for custodian certification of business records by an affidavit signed under penalty of perjury; and

- LB521, introduced by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz, which includes school personnel in immunity provisions for administering



Sen. Lynne Walz

naloxone to a person who is experiencing an opioid-related overdose.

LB50 passed on a 34-15 vote.

Omnibus bill

Lawmakers also approved a measure that authorizes certain temporary public guardianships in Douglas County and contains a variety of judicial measures dealing with protection orders, court fees and juvenile court disposition.

LB157, introduced by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, allows for creation of temporary guardianships in a county containing a metropolitan class city to assist individuals who are applying for private or public benefits. Omaha currently is the state's only metropolitan class city.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

The bill includes the provisions of LB315, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson, which prohibit providers of medical or other services related to examination of injuries arising from sexual assault, domestic assault or trafficking from referring victims to collection agencies or taking other adverse action for failure to pay the debt.

LB157 also contains provisions of the following measures:

- LB11, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Carol Blood, which specifies that domestic abuse protection orders may explicitly provide for sole possession of a household pet and restrict contact with such pets;
- LB82, introduced by DeBoer, which updates reporting requirements from the director of the state's Department of Correctional Services;
- LB183, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, which allows the District Court to waive fees related to a name change;
- LB240, introduced by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne, which prohibits a juvenile court from modifying the terms of a disposition order unless the juvenile has violated a previous order or all parties agree and the juvenile has consulted with or waived counsel;
- LB330, introduced by DeBoer, which allows a successor to a decedent to endorse a check, payable to the decedent or the decedent's estate, for a debt owed to the decedent;
- LB436, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Carolyn Bosn, which updates the state Uniform Controlled Substances Act to conform with federal law;



Sen. Carol Blood

- LB480, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft, which adds emergency medical service providers to the list of medical agencies that can file a lien on settlement awards received by injured parties; and



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

- LB757, introduced by DeBoer, which extends the filing date for victims to apply for reimbursement from the Crime Victims Reparations Fund.

LB157 passed on a vote of 47-0 and took effect immediately.

Other measures

Lawmakers also approved a proposal to increase salaries for Nebraska judges as part of the state's two-year budgeting process.

As introduced by DeBoer, LB799 authorizes a 7 percent salary increase for the chief justice and judges of the Nebraska Supreme Court in fiscal year 2023-24 and a 6 percent increase in FY2024-25.

Under the bill, Nebraska Supreme Court salaries will increase to \$212,316 starting July 1, 2023, and \$225,055 starting July 1, 2024. Because Nebraska judges are paid using a statutory formula based on the salary of the chief justice, the increase in LB799 results in a commensurate increase in the salaries of all other judges in the state.

The bill was amended to contain provisions of three additional measures:

- LB81, introduced by Grand Island Sen. Raymond Aguilar, which increases from four to five the number of county judges in the 9th Judicial District, which serves Buffalo and Hall counties in central Nebraska;
- LB260, introduced by Wayne, which aligns state law with the current practice of electronic publication of appellate court opinions; and
- LB426, introduced by Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe, which reduces the number of judges on the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court from seven to six.



Sen. Raymond Aguilar

Lawmakers voted 40-0 to pass LB799, which took effect immediately.

LB328, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Jane Raybould, would create the Office of Liaison for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons within the Nebraska Attorney General's Office.

The attorney general and the Commission on Indian Affairs would partner in selecting a full-time specialist to staff the office, giving preference to applicants of Indigenous descent.

The specialist's duties would include identifying, collecting and directing resources and information to aid in combating the prevalence of missing and murdered Indigenous people in Nebraska.

LB328 was advanced to general file but was not scheduled for first-round debate.

A bill that would prohibit employers from discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity remains in committee.

Current state law prohibits employment discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, disability, marital status or national origin. LB169, introduced by Omaha Sen. Megan Hunt, would add sexual orientation and gender identity to that list. The bill would apply to government employers, labor organizations and private employers with 15 or more employees.

Two additional bills also failed to advance from committee this session.

LB371, introduced by Glenvil Sen. Dave Murman, would bar individuals younger than 19 from attending a drag show in Nebraska and prohibit individuals under age 21 from attending a drag show if alcoholic liquor is served.

The bill would define a drag show as a performance



Sen. Jane Raybould



Sen. Megan Hunt

in which a performer sings, lip syncs, dances or otherwise performs for an audience while exhibiting a gender identity different from their gender assigned at birth using clothing, makeup or other physical markers.

LB371 would add a criminal penalty for an individual who brings a minor to a drag show that would result in a Class I misdemeanor charge, which carries a maximum sentence of one year in jail and a \$1,000 fine.

Any business, establishment or nonprofit that violates the bill's provisions would be fined \$10,000 and an owner or officer of an entity that hosts a drag show and knowingly violates these provisions would face a Class I misdemeanor charge.

Finally, LB631, sponsored by Sen. Terrell McKinney of Omaha, would require the state Board of Parole to include one member who is a formerly incarcerated individual and one member with experience in restorative justice and reentry.

In addition, members would be considered to be in "neglect of duty" if they miss three board hearings in a calendar year and parole could not be denied based on an inmate's lack of access to programming.

McKinney brought an amendment to the bill's public hearing that, among other provisions, would provide a code of ethics and training requirements in cultural competency and implicit bias for board members. ■



Sen. Dave Murman



Sen. Terrell McKinney

NATURAL RESOURCES



Sen. Bruce Bostelman, chairperson of the Natural Resources Committee

Bills supporting Nebraska's efforts to be selected as a regional clean hydrogen hub, authorizing a state agency to use alternative contracting methods and increasing Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission members' pay were among those advanced by the Natural Resources Committee this session.

Omnibus bill

LB565, introduced by Brainard Sen. Bruce Bostelman and passed 41-0, states legislative intent to appropriate \$500,000 over the next two fiscal years to the state Department of Economic Development.

The department will use the funds to provide grants to a public power district serving the majority of the counties in the state for engineering and modeling needed to apply for a federal program intended to accelerate the use of hydrogen as a clean energy source.

Lawmakers amended the bill to add provisions of several other measures considered by the committee this session, including LB217, introduced by Sen. Jana Hughes of

Seward, which extends the sunset date for a scrap tire project grant program under the Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Act from 2024 to 2029.

The provisions of LB289, sponsored by Bostelman, authorize municipal agencies to own and operate, contract to operate or lease advanced metering infrastructure technology and provide advanced metering infrastructure services to public utilities.

The measure also authorizes the agencies to provide certain services, including information technology and physical infrastructure management, to public utilities and municipal infrastructure systems.

The provisions of LB395, introduced by Bayard Sen. Steve Erdman, repeal the \$4,000 annual cap on compensation for members of the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and increase members' maximum daily compensation from \$400 to \$500. The bill also adjusts the amount for inflation every other year, beginning in 2025.

Under the provisions of LB400, introduced by Sen. Tom Brewer of Gordon, a private landowner or tenant may kill any predator preying on livestock or poultry or suspected of causing other damage on their land without a permit from the state Game and Parks Commission.

The measure also allows private landowners or tenants to kill a mountain lion that is in the process of stalking, killing or consuming livestock on their property without prior notice to the commission or permission from it.

The provisions of LB425, introduced by Bostelman, increase the number of Game and Parks Commission members needed for a quorum at the commission's public meetings from four to five.

Among other changes, the proposal also increases caps on certain nonresident hunting and fishing permits and allows the commission to issue permits for the taking of elk from state game refuges when their number is deemed detrimental to habitat conditions on the refuges or to adjacent private property.

The provisions of LB567, also sponsored by Bostelman, repeal current law prohibiting individuals in certain high-level managerial positions at a public power district from serving as a member of any public power district's board of directors.



Sen. Jana Hughes



Sen. Steve Erdman



Sen. Tom Brewer

The provisions of LB568, introduced by Bostelman, require the state Department of Economic Development to create a work group to determine the workforce training needs of the nuclear and hydrogen industries.

The department will establish procedures and criteria for awarding grants to community and state colleges that implement courses designed to alleviate the workforce training needs of those industries. Grants may be used for equipment, curriculum, programming or marketing.

The measure also requires the state treasurer to transfer \$200,000 in state general funds to a new fund used to provide per diems and travel and lodging reimbursement

to certain work group members.

LB723, sponsored by Bostelman at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, allows the state Department of Natural Resources to use public-private partnerships and design-build, progressive design-build and construction manager-general contractor project methods when contracting for public surface water or groundwater-related infrastructure projects.

The department also must pay a stipend in an amount determined at its discretion to qualified design builders that submit proposals but are not selected — giving the department ownership of the intellectual property contained in those proposals. ■

NEBRASKA RETIREMENT SYSTEMS



Sen. Mike McDonnell, chairperson of the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee

Lawmakers approved a bill this year that makes changes to the various retirement systems administered by the state.

LB103, introduced by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, makes technical changes to a bill passed in 2022 that codified retirement practices and rules for certified teachers covered by the State Code Agency Teachers Association contract who previously or subsequently are employed by a school district, educational service unit or any other state agency.

The measure includes provisions of three additional bills sponsored by McDonnell.

LB104 changes the state, county, judges, school and state patrol retirement plans by raising the age from 72 to 73 for required minimum distributions in order to align with recently passed federal legislation. The RMD age will increase to 75 beginning in 2033.

LB105 changes various retirement plans to align with federal legislation that changed the definition of military service to include preparations for military service, rest

and recovery after military service and state active service.

Under provisions of LB160, the supplemental retirement benefit rate for counties that participate in the County Employees Retirement Plan increases from 1 to 2 percent of compensation in counties with a population of 85,000 or less. The rate in counties with a population greater than 85,000 increases from 2 to 3 percent.

The change applies to all Nebraska counties except Douglas and Lancaster, which do not participate in the county plan.

The measure passed on a vote of 41-0 and took effect immediately.

A bill that would alter what is included in the term “salary” related to retirement plans for firefighters in first class cities in Nebraska also was considered this session.

State law classifies cities based on population. First class cities are those with a population between 5,001 and 100,000.

LB221, sponsored by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, would align the definition of salary for firefighters and police in first class cities as all amounts paid by the employing city for personal services. Currently, salary for those firefighters is defined as the base rate of pay, excluding overtime, callback pay, clothing allowances and other such benefits.



Sen. Teresa Ibach

The bill remains in committee. ■

REVENUE



Sen. Lou Ann Linehan, chairperson of the Revenue Committee

The Revenue Committee advanced proposals this session to cut Nebraska's top individual and corporate income tax rates, provide additional property tax relief, create a refundable tax credit for certain parents and provide a tax credit for those who donate to organizations that grant scholarships to students to attend private school.

Income tax cuts

LB754, introduced by Elkhorn Sen. Lou Ann Linehan at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, passed on a vote of 39-2. The measure will cut Nebraska's top individual and corporate income tax rates to 3.99 percent by tax year 2027.

The bill also will cut the rate on the third individual income tax bracket incrementally to 3.99 percent by the same year.

Lawmakers amended LB754 to include provisions of LB318, introduced by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln, which authorizes the state Department of Revenue to approve up to \$25 million each year in income tax credits for early



Sen. Eliot Bostar

childhood care in Nebraska.

The bill provides \$15 million annually to help parents and legal guardians pay for child care. Parents or legal guardians may apply for a refundable credit of \$2,000 per child if their household income is no more than \$75,000 and \$1,000 per child if their household income is more than \$75,000 but no more than \$150,000.

In addition, the measure allows individuals, estates, trusts and corporations to apply for a nonrefundable state income tax credit of up to \$100,000 for contributions they make to eligible child care programs. The credit is 100 percent of the qualifying contribution if the program is in an opportunity zone or serves at least one child who is enrolled in the state's child care subsidy program and 75 percent for all other contributions.

The department may approve \$2.5 million in credits under the program each year.

LB754 also increases the amount of tax credits available for qualifying child care providers and employees under the School Readiness Tax Credit Act from \$5 million to \$7.5 million annually.

Providers may qualify based on their qualification level and the number of subsidized children they serve and providers and employees may receive a refundable credit based on their qualification level.

Also included in the bill are the provisions of:

- LB38, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Carol Blood, which allow federal retirees to exclude the amounts received as annuities under the Federal Employees Retirement System or the Civil Service Retirement System from their federal adjusted gross income;
- LB206, sponsored by Sen. R. Brad von Gillern of Elkhorn, allowing a partnership to pay taxes, interest and penalties owed on its tax return or amended return on behalf of the partners rather than requiring each partner to file an amended return; and
- LB641, introduced by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth at the request of the governor, which exempts 100 percent of Nebraskans' Social Security income from state income tax beginning in tax year 2024 rather than 2025.



Sen. Carol Blood



Sen. R. Brad von Gillern



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

Property tax relief, school revenue cap

The committee also advanced a bill that provides additional property tax relief to Nebraskans while limiting increases in the amount of property taxes public school districts may collect.

LB243, introduced by Sen. Tom Briese of Albion and passed 44-0, gradually will increase the minimum amount of relief granted under the Property Tax Credit Act from the current \$275 million to \$475 million by tax year 2028.



Sen. Tom Briese

The following year, it will grow by the percentage increase in the total assessed value of all real property statewide over the prior year, plus an additional \$75 million. The amount then will continue to grow by the percentage increase in statewide valuations.

As amended, LB243 contains provisions of several other bills considered by the committee this session, including LB589, sponsored by Briese at the request of the governor.

Under the bill, a school district's property tax request — the amount of taxes requested to be raised through its levy — may not exceed its property tax request authority, which the state Department of Education will calculate annually.

The measure limits a district's overall revenue growth to 3 percent per year, with some exceptions for growth in student enrollment, the number of limited English proficiency students and the number of students in poverty.

A district may exceed its property tax request authority by an amount approved by a 60 percent majority of voters at a special election. The bill also allows a school board to exceed a district's property tax request authority by 4 to 7 percent — depending on the number of students enrolled — if at least 70 percent of its members approve.

The provisions of LB242, also introduced by Briese, eliminate the 5 percent cap on the school district tax credit's allowable growth percentage under the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act, allowing the credit amount to increase at the same rate as valuations.

For tax year 2029, the total amount of credits will equal the prior year's maximum amount increased by the allowable growth percentage plus an additional \$75 million.

Also included are provisions of LB783, introduced by Glenvil Sen. Dave Murman, which end Nebraska's community college area levy after fiscal year 2023-24. Beginning the next year, the state will distribute funds to community colleges to offset the lost property tax revenue.



Sen. Dave Murman

The amount distributed to com-

munity colleges will increase by 3.5 percent each year or the percentage increase in a factor based on student enrollment growth, whichever is greater.

If the state fails to provide the full amount in a given year, a community college's board of governors may, with a majority vote, levy an amount sufficient to generate enough revenue to cover the difference.

The bill also includes provisions of LB309, sponsored by Bostar, which increase the interest rate on property tax refunds from 9 percent to 14 percent.

Finally, an amended version of Bayard Sen. Steve Erdman's LB28 reinstates a fourth, at-large member of the Tax Equalization and Review Commission. The measure allows a single commissioner to hear appeals when the taxable value of a parcel is \$2 million — an increase from \$1 million — and increases commissioners' pay by tying it to the salary set for the chief justice and judges of the Nebraska Supreme Court.



Sen. Steve Erdman

Omnibus bill

Under LB727, introduced by Linehan, purchases made by a nonprofit corporation that is a party to a financial agreement with a governmental unit will qualify for a state sales and use tax exemption if the governmental unit's expenditure toward the project is paid in whole or in part with redevelopment bonds or is approved by a public vote.

The bill was amended to include provisions of several other revenue-related measures, including LB692, also sponsored by Linehan. The bill creates the Transformational Projects Act, which is intended to support the development of Nebraska's retail, entertainment and tourism industries.

The bill allows the state Department of Economic Development to approve applications for "good life districts." Proposed projects within a district must meet certain thresholds related to development costs, job creation and economic impact metrics.

Transactions occurring within a district are subject to a reduced state sales tax rate of 2.75 percent to offset development and investment costs.

Also included in LB727 are the provisions of:

- LB4, introduced by Sen. Rita Sanders of Bellevue, requiring veterans with a 100 percent service-connected permanent disability who are applying for a homestead exemption to do so



Sen. Rita Sanders

every five years rather than annually;

- LB74, sponsored by Linehan, which allows construction contractors to be appointed as purchasing agents that may purchase materials tax free based on the buyer-based exemption of the contractor's client;

- LB96, introduced by Dunbar Sen. Julie Slama, under which state sales and use tax may not be imposed on the gross receipts from the sale, lease or rental of baling wire and twine purchased for use in



Sen. Julie Slama

commercial agriculture;

- LB97, introduced by Sen. Robert Clements of Elmwood, which modify a reporting requirement related to inheritance taxes;



Sen. Robert Clements

• LB100, sponsored by Erdman, which allow certain waste treatment and disposal facilities to qualify for tax incentives under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act;

- LB118, introduced by Sen. Tom Brandt of Plymouth, which decreases from \$50,000 to \$10,000 the minimum required investment for livestock modernization or expansion projects under the Nebraska Advantage Rural Development Act;



Sen. Tom Brandt

- LB180, also sponsored by Brandt, allowing retail dealers that sell and dispense biodiesel to apply for a refundable state income tax credit equal to 14 cents per gallon sold;

- LB300, introduced by Linehan, under which state sales and use taxes may not be imposed on purchases by certain nonprofit organizations that provide community-based mental health or substance use services;

- LB344, introduced by Omaha Sen. Christy Armendariz, which exclude property taxes that, as of the time of payment, were delinquent for five years or more for purposes of tax credits provided under the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act;



Sen. Christy Armendariz

- LB384, sponsored by Bostar, directing state sales and use taxes collected on the sale or lease of aircraft to a new fund that may be used to build, repair, renovate,

rehabilitate, restore, modify or improve infrastructure at Nebraska's public-use airports;

- LB407, introduced by Linehan, which extends the application deadline under the Nebraska Transformational Projects Act from Dec. 31, 2023, to Dec. 31, 2025;

- LB447, sponsored by Bostar, under which retired firefighters may qualify for a state income tax deduction on health insurance premiums paid during the taxable year and eligible first responders may qualify for state college tuition waivers for themselves and their dependents;

- LB491, introduced by von Gillern, under which businesses could claim credits under the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act until Dec. 31, 2033, which allows for accelerated expensing of certain capital expenditures;

- LB495, sponsored by Briese, under which Nebraska educational savings plan trust account distributions are not subject to penalty if they constitute a rollover to a Roth individual retirement account;

- LB505, introduced by Bostar and amended to include provisions of Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh's LB577, which updates Nebraska's tax deed sale certificate process to improve notice requirements and help prevent "home equity theft";

- LB524, introduced by Sen. John Fredrickson of Omaha, allowing grocery stores, restaurants and agricultural producers to apply for a nonrefundable state income tax credit equal to 50 percent of the value of food they donate to food banks, pantries or rescues;



Sen. John Fredrickson



Sen. Ben Hansen

- LB529, introduced by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen, which updates a law requiring some political subdivisions to participate in a joint public hearing before increasing their property tax request by more than a certain amount;

- LB580, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft, under which agricultural or horticultural land that has an actual value reflecting purposes or uses other than agricultural or horticultural purposes or uses may qualify for special valuation if



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

it consists of five acres or more;

- LB584, introduced by Sen. Jana Hughes of Seward, which imposes a tax on the selling or dealing of electronic nicotine delivery systems;
- LB622, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, the amended provisions of which change eligibility for grants under the Support the Arts Cash Fund and adjust minimum amounts to \$100,000;
- LB623, also sponsored by McDonnell, under which concert venues of a certain capacity may qualify for state assistance under the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act;
- LB697, introduced by Sen. Danielle Conrad of Lincoln, which makes several changes to the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act and extend its sunset date from Dec. 31, 2022, to Dec. 31, 2030;
- LB704, introduced by Murman, under which the owner of an ABLE account or the representative of the account's beneficiary may distribute the account balance to specified individuals if it is \$5,000 or less on the date of the beneficiary's death;
- LB706, sponsored by Sen. Mike Moser of Columbus, allowing the state highway commission to issue up to \$450 million in bonds to accelerate completion of highway construction projects;
- LB732, introduced by Bostar, extending the application deadline for the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act from 2012 to 2030; and
- LB809, introduced by Murman, increasing the credit amount for qualifying livestock investment projects from \$1 million to \$2 million per year under the Nebraska Advantage Rural Development Act.

LB727 passed on a vote of 46-0.



Sen. Jana Hughes



Sen. Mike McDonnell



Sen. Danielle Conrad



Sen. Mike Moser

Other measures

LB753, introduced by Linehan at the request of the governor, allows individuals, passthrough entities, estates, trusts and corporations to claim a nonrefundable income tax credit of up to 50 percent of their state income tax liability on contributions made to nonprofit organizations that grant scholarships to students to attend private school.

Contributions from individuals, passthrough entities and corporations are capped at \$100,000, and contributions from estates or trusts are limited to \$1 million.

Only Nebraska residents are eligible for the scholarships, which may be used to pay tuition and fees at a privately operated elementary or secondary school that fulfills the applicable accreditation or approval requirements set by the State Board of Education.

A scholarship granting organization must provide the state Department of Revenue with sufficient information to show that it will use a tiered system that prioritizes certain students.

The department may grant \$25 million in credits in 2024, 2025 and 2026. After that, if at least 90 percent of the credits in any given year are claimed, the annual limit will increase by 25 percent. Annual increases may continue until the total credit amount reaches \$100 million.

If the annual limit is less than \$35 million, a scholarship-granting organization may use no more than 10 percent of its revenue for administrative costs. No more than 5 percent of revenue may be used for administrative costs if the annual limit is more than \$35 million.

LB753 passed 33-11.

The committee advanced a bill intended to incentivize private contributions to organizations that assist women in carrying their pregnancies to term, but it was not scheduled for first-round debate.

LB606, sponsored by Thurston Sen. Joni Albrecht, would allow individuals, passthrough entities, corporations, estates and trusts to claim a nonrefundable income tax credit of up to 50 percent of their state income tax liability on contributions they make to qualifying pregnancy help organizations beginning in calendar year 2024.



Sen. Joni Albrecht

Eligible organizations would have to provide the department a written certification that they meet certain criteria. Among other requirements, an organization would have to be a nonprofit located in Nebraska that does not provide, pay for, provide coverage of, refer for, recommend or promote abortions. ■

TRANSPORTATION & TELECOMMUNICATIONS



Sen. Mike Moser, chairperson of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee

Lawmakers approved two omnibus transportation and telecommunications packages this session that, among other provisions, create a broadband office in Nebraska and repeal the state's motorcycle helmet requirement for riders age 21 and older.

Broadband package

LB683, as introduced by the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee, creates the Nebraska Broadband Office to administer and maintain broadband services in Nebraska. A director will be appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Legislature to lead the office, which will operate administratively under the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

Among other provisions, the bill requires the new office to collaborate with stakeholders and state and local officials to develop a strategic broadband plan to maximize use of public and private resources and coordinate state broadband infrastructure deployment, operation and maintenance.

The measure also transfers creation and maintenance of the state broadband map from the Nebraska Public Service Commission to the Nebraska Broadband Office.

LB683 was amended to add provisions of several other bills, including Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar's LB63, which prohibits a telecommunications company from using Nebraska universal service funds if the company is using or providing communications equipment or service that pose a threat to national security.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

LB122, introduced by Brainard Sen. Bruce Bostelman, authorizes the state fire marshal to investigate alleged violations of Nebraska's One-Call Notification System, beginning Sept. 1, 2024. The provisions also create the Underground Excavation Safety Committee to review complaints filed with the fire marshal to determine if a violation has occurred and provide for civil penalties of up to \$10,000.



Sen. Bruce Bostelman

LB124, introduced by Columbus Sen. Mike Moser, extends the termination date of a program that provides state matching funds to repair and replace county bridges from June 30, 2023, to June 30, 2029.

The provisions of LB359, introduced by Seward Sen. Jana Hughes, remove an annual grant application deadline under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act and allow the PSC to establish new deadlines.



Sen. Jana Hughes

The bill also contains provisions of Bostelman's LB722, which clarify that the PSC cannot:

- require a competitive provider to accept or receive support from the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund;
- impose eligible telecommunications carrier responsibilities or carrier of last resort obligations relating to the fund on a competitive provider in any deployment project area where the incumbent carrier or competitive provider is not actually receiving support from the fund; or
- impose eligible telecommunications carrier responsibilities or carrier of last resort obligations on an incumbent carrier that do not exist as of the date of final payment made.

LB683 passed 39-0 and took effect immediately.

Transportation package

LB138, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Carolyn Bosn, is an annual clean-up measure to align state transportation law with federal requirements. The bill was amended to include provisions of several other transportation measures introduced this session.



Sen. Carolyn Bosn

Blair Sen. Ben Hansen's LB91 repeals Nebraska's motorcycle and moped helmet requirement, beginning Jan. 1, 2024. Under the bill's provisions, an individual age 21 and older who has completed a certified motorcycle safety course may ride without a helmet, provided they use an approved form of eye protection.



Sen. Ben Hansen

The omnibus bill also includes provisions of Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer's LB199, which create a new driving privilege card to serve as a license to operate a motor vehicle for individuals who are assigned parolee immigration status by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.



Sen. Tom Brewer

Provisions of LB453, introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay, allow NDOT to pay the Division of Aeronautics' administrative expenses, such as salaries and benefits, from the Highway Cash Fund.



Sen. Barry DeKay

The bill also lowers from 50 percent to 20 percent the required contribution from counties to be eligible for matching funds from the State Aid Bridge Fund. It increases from \$150,000 to \$250,000 the estimated cost threshold at which a contract for road purposes must go through a sealed-bid process and allows NDOT to adjust the amount annually.

Moser's LB465 reallocates certain fees collected by the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

Previously, fees for the issuance of state ID cards, operators' licenses, replacement ignition interlock permits and 24/7 sobriety program permits were allocated between the county general fund, the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund and the state General Fund.

Under the measure, the portion of the fee previously allocated to the state General Fund instead is redirected to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.



Sen. Jane Raybould

LB738, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Jane Raybould, adopts the national,

three-tiered classification for electric bicycles and updates the definition of traditional bicycles.

Provisions of LB796, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne, require NDOT to develop and administer a safety oversight program for rail transit systems operated by the state, an interstate agency or a political subdivision.



Sen. Justin Wayne

LB138 passed 41-0 and took effect immediately.

Other measures

LB140, introduced by Plymouth Sen. Tom Brandt, would authorize the state Department of Motor Vehicles, in consultation with the Czech Honorary Consul of Nebraska, to design and issue Czech heritage motor vehicle license plates.



Sen. Tom Brandt

The fee for alphanumeric plates would be \$5 and a personalized license plate would cost \$40. All funds would be credited to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

The bill advanced to select file but was not scheduled for second-round debate.

Under LB234, sponsored by Sen. Lynne Walz of Fremont, railroad companies would be required to report annually to the Nebraska Public Service Commission and the Nebraska State Patrol regarding blocked railroad crossings, beginning Nov. 1, 2024.



Sen. Lynne Walz

Data would include the number of complaints received, the dates and locations of blocked crossings and any action taken by the companies to resolve those complaints. The PSC then would provide a report to the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee, including any recommendations, each Dec. 1.

The bill was placed on general file but was not scheduled for debate.

Another bill aimed at improving train safety in Nebraska did not advance from committee.

Under LB31, introduced by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, a train or light engine used in freight transportation would be required to operate with a crew of at least two individuals. The PSC would be responsible for enforcing the bill's provisions.



Sen. Mike Jacobson

The Economic Opportunity Program, administered

by NDOT in coordination with the state Department of Economic Development, finances transportation improvements to attract new business in the state through the Transportation Infrastructure Bank Fund.

LB600, introduced by Central City Sen. Loren Lippincott, would expand the program to include infrastructure improvements for first and second class cities and villages for redevelopment plans approved under the state's Community Development Law.



Sen. Loren Lippincott

The bill advanced to general file but was not scheduled for debate this session.

Finally, LB454, introduced by DeKay, would appropriate funds to NDOT to plan, design and purchase rights-of-way along Highway 81 between Norfolk and the South Dakota border and between Columbus and York for conversion to a four-lane divided highway.

The bill also would provide funds for signage and development of a gateway entrance at Highway 81 and Neb. Highway 12 to alert travelers to the locations of Niobrara State Park and Lewis and Clark Lake.

LB454 remains in committee. ■

URBAN AFFAIRS



Sen. Terrell McKinney, chairperson of the Urban Affairs Committee

Grant funding for pandemic recovery projects, changes to community development law and two museum proposals were among the measures bundled into an omnibus Urban Affairs Committee bill this session.

LB531, introduced by Omaha Sen. Terrell McKinney, makes a number of clean-up changes to the Economic Recovery Act passed by the Legislature in 2022, which provided funding for pandemic recovery projects in North and South Omaha and other communities that were disproportionately impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Among other provisions, LB531 authorizes a grant of up to \$20 million for federally qualified health centers in a metropolitan class city and an additional \$30 million to develop a business park within two miles of a major airport in a metropolitan class city. Omaha currently is the only city in the state classified as metropolitan by population.

The bill creates the North and South Omaha Grant Recovery Program and provides funds for the Economic Recovery and Incentive Division to provide relief to entities negatively affected by the pandemic. Priority will be given to small business development, job creation and economic

growth opportunities.

LB531 also requires the state Game and Parks Commission to construct, develop and manage a museum and visitor center honoring Chief Standing Bear, and authorizes use of up to \$15 million from the investment earnings on the Perkins County Canal Project Fund in fiscal year 2025-26 for the cost of construction, exhibit fabrication, historical interpretation and staffing.

A grant of up to \$20 million also is authorized to create a museum within the boundaries of a qualified census tract in a metropolitan class city in honor of a person inducted into the Nebraska Hall of Fame on or before June 30, 2023.

Malcolm X was selected in 2022 for induction into the Nebraska Hall of Fame.

LB531 was amended to include the provisions of several additional bills that provide millions in new grant funds and programs designed to spur economic development across the state.

Under the provisions of Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne's LB474, the state Game and Parks Commission is required to purchase or receive the Mayhew Cabin historical site and subsequently rehabilitate and manage it.



Sen. Justin Wayne

The provisions of LB98 also are included in the omnibus bill. Originally introduced by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, the measure allows the governing body of a city that opts to allow the expedited review of redevelopment plans to establish a limit on the number of redevelopment plans they can approve annually.



Sen. Mike Jacobson

The governing body also has the authority to deny a redevelopment plan if it will exceed the established annual limit, if the area being developed is not designated as blighted and substandard or if the redevelopment plan is inconsistent with the city's comprehensive plan.

The bill also clarifies that more than one lot within an area of a substandard and blighted study can be designated as substandard and blighted without an additional study or public hearing.

Lawmakers amended LB531 to included provisions from several additional measures considered by the Urban Affairs Committee this session, including:

- LB33, introduced by Jacobson, which allows the mayor of a first or second class city to vote on any matter that requires a majority vote of the city council if there is an absence or if the council is equally divided. The provisions do not allow the mayor to vote when a

super-majority vote of the council is required;

- LB45, introduced by Adams Sen. Myron Dorn, which creates the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Grant Fund for first and second class cities and villages and provides \$1 million in general funds for grants to demolish dilapidated commercial properties;
- LB170, introduced by McKinney, which harmonizes the definition of a blighted area under the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority Act and the state's Community Development Law;
- LB223, also introduced by McKinney, which requires all cities that adopt an affordable housing action plan to submit their plan to the Urban Affairs Committee electronically and provides an option in the report to show effort toward an affordable housing action plan or intent to implement such a plan after it is adopted;
- LB329, sponsored by Sen. Jane Raybould of Lincoln, which prohibits the state building code from limiting the use of refrigerants that have been accepted under federal law as of Jan. 1, 2023 — as long as any equipment containing such refrigerant is listed and installed in accordance with safety standards and use conditions;
- LB342, introduced by Gering Sen. Brian Hardin, which updates the state's home inspector registration renewal requirement from every even-numbered year to every two years and provides a 45-day window prior to the expiration to complete the renewal process;
- LB346, introduced by Plymouth Sen. Tom Brandt, which updates the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act by expanding the definition of a qualifying business to include cities with up to 5,000 residents;
- LB462, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Danielle Conrad, which updates the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment



Sen. Myron Dorn



Sen. Jane Raybould



Sen. Brian Hardin



Sen. Tom Brandt



Sen. Danielle Conrad

Act by increasing the qualifying cost of total construction expenses for owner-occupied housing units from no more than \$275,000 to \$330,000;

- LB532, sponsored by McKinney, which makes a number of changes to the state's Community Development Law, including: requiring an "extremely blighted" designation to last for at least 25 years; extending the deadline from 24 months to 60 months for housing studies in all but metropolitan class cities; and placing limits on the creation of new redevelopment plans in areas already designated as blighted; and
- LB629, also sponsored by McKinney, which updates the Middle Income and Workforce Housing Investment Act and Economic Recovery Act.

Finally, the bill amends the Nebraska Rural Projects Act and provides up to \$5 million in state matching funds for site acquisition, preparation and rail spur construction for a site within 30 miles of the state's largest reservoir.

LB531 passed on a 37-8 vote and took effect immediately.

Other measures

LB224, introduced by McKinney, would create the Aid to Municipalities Act to be administered by the state Department of Economic Development. Under the act, municipalities in Nebraska would be eligible to apply for state grants to fund qualifying infrastructure projects within their city or village.

The bill also would create the Aid to Municipalities Fund and states legislative intent to appropriate \$15 million each fiscal year to fund the program and help defray administrative expenses incurred by DED. An individual grant could not exceed \$5 million and must be used exclusively to pay for construction or bonds related to an approved project.

Also introduced by McKinney, LB246 would require a sanitary and improvement district located just outside the corporate boundaries of a municipality — known as the city's extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction — to comply with the comprehensive development plan, affordable housing action plan, municipal zoning regulations and any other reasonable planning requirements established by the municipality.

Under the bill, an SID located within the ETJ of multiple municipalities would be subject to the regulations of the municipality with the largest population according to the most recent census data.

LB224 and LB246 were advanced from committee and

placed on general file but were not scheduled for debate.

Three other bills remain in committee.



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

LB274, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft, would allow veterans who have been issued a Disabled American Veteran license plate to park in handicapped designated stalls.

LB424, introduced by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, would create the state Department of Housing and Urban Development to serve as the lead state agency for programs related



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

to housing and homelessness. A director would be appointed by the governor and subject to confirmation by the Legislature.

Finally, Conrad's LB546 would redefine a bed-and-breakfast establishment to include a single-family residence that provides breakfast and sleeping accommodations to no more than 20 guests, or ten guest rooms, at one time.

Under current state law, a bed-and-breakfast wishing to serve hot food must install a fire sprinkler system in each room of their establishment. LB546 would limit that requirement to rooms containing only one exit. The bill also would outline appropriate safe food handling practices. ■

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LB1	Executive Board	SF	Eliminate obsolete provisions relating to funds that have terminated	
LB2	Sanders	C	Create the Commission on Asian American Affairs	4
LB3	Sanders	IPP (>92)	Change provisions for tax levies for bonds issued by political subdivisions	16
LB4	Sanders	IPP (>727)	Change homestead exemption provisions relating to qualifications, application requirements, and penalties	20
LB5	Blood	C	Provide for compensability under Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act for mental injuries resulting from workplace violence	7
LB6	Blood	GF	Prohibit conditional use permits and zoning exceptions for delinquent property taxpayers	
LB7	Blood	C	Provide a statute of limitations for exposure to hazardous or toxic chemicals	
LB8	Blood	C	Change provisions of the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Act and provide for certificates of title and liens for abandoned mobile homes	
LB9	Blood	C	Change independent expenditure reporting requirements and require electioneering reporting	12
LB10	Blood	C	Change motor vehicle and property tax exemptions for disabled veterans	
LB11	Blood	IPP (>157)	Change provisions relating to domestic abuse protection orders	21
LB12	Blood	C	Create the Nebraska Human Breast Milk Bank	
LB13	Blood	C	Require coverage of human breast milk under the Medical Assistance Act	6
LB14	Dungan	IPP (>50)	Change provisions under the Young Adult Bridge to Independence Act	21
LB15	Briese	GF	Change provisions of the Wage and Hour Act	5
LB16	Briese	GF	Require occupational boards to issue certain credentials based on credentials or work experience in another jurisdiction and make a determination regarding an applicant with a criminal conviction, provide for jurisprudential examinations and appeals from denial of a license, and change requirements for membership of the State Electrical Board	
LB17	Dungan	C	Authorize possession of a firearm on school grounds by a full-time, off-duty law enforcement officer	4
LB18	Wayne	C (>50)	Provide for motions for new trial based on newly discovered evidence	21
LB19	Wayne	C	Change dollar amount thresholds for criminal penalty classifications	
LB20	Wayne	GF	Provide for restoration of voting rights upon completion of a felony sentence or probation for a felony	8
LB21	Wayne	GF	Change provisions relating to the city council of a city of the metropolitan class	
LB22	Wayne	C	Decriminalize use and possession of marijuana	6
LB23	Wayne	C	Change provisions relating to interventions in paternity proceedings	
LB24	Wayne	C	Change tax provisions relating to cigars, cheroots, and stogies	
LB25	Wayne	GF	Authorize punitive damages as prescribed and provide for distribution	
LB26	Wayne	C	Adopt the Rural Municipal Broadband Access Act	
LB27	Dungan	IPP (>50)	Change provisions relating to appointment of counsel for defendants	21
LB28	Erdman	IPP (>243)	Change provisions relating to decisions on appeals under the Tax Equalization and Review Commission Act	14
LB29	Erdman	GF	Change provisions relating to the assessment of real property that suffers significant property damage	
LB30	Dungan	IPP (>50)	Provide for answers of no contest in adjudication hearings under the Nebraska Juvenile Code	21
LB31	Jacobson	C	Require train crews of at least two individuals as prescribed	10
LB32	Jacobson	C	Change requirements for issuers of medicare supplement insurance policies or certificates relating to coverage of individuals under sixty-five years of age who are eligible for medicare by reason of disability or end-stage renal disease	
LB33	Jacobson	IPP (>531)	Change provisions relating to the powers of mayors in certain cities and eliminate obsolete 2020 redistricting provisions	20
LB34	Dungan	C	Provide for a presumption of disposition under the Nebraska Juvenile Code for crimes committed by defendants under eighteen years of age and change the definition of juvenile under the code	
LB35	DeBoer	IPP (>227)	Change provisions relating to child care assistance	16
LB35A	DeBoer	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB36	DeBoer	C	Change individual income tax brackets and rates	
LB37	Dungan	C	Change motor vehicle identification inspection requirements	
LB38	Blood	C (>754)	Provide an income tax adjustment relating to federal retirement annuities	13
LB39	Blood	C	Require disability impact statements for certain legislation	4
LB40	Blood	C	Adopt the Riparian and Water Quality Practices Act	
LB41	Hansen	GF	Prohibit state agencies from imposing annual filing and reporting requirements on charitable organizations	

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LB42	Hansen	C	Change provisions relating to child abuse and neglect under the Child Protection and Family Safety Act and the Nebraska Juvenile Code	8
LB43	Sanders	C	Require hearing officers and judges to interpret statutes and regulations to limit agency power and maximize individual liberty	
LB44	Dungan	C	Adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact	
LB45	Dorn	IPP (>531)	Create the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Grant Program	20, 22
LB45A	Dorn	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB46	Dorn	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for a provider rate study	
LB47	Dorn	GF	Change notice requirements under the Open Meetings Act for certain fire districts	
LB48	Dorn	C	Appropriate money to the State Department of Education for educational service units	
LB49	Dungan	C	Change provisions relating to solar energy and wind energy, declare certain instruments void and unenforceable, and provide for a civil cause of action	
LB50	Wayne	S (+14, 18, 27, 30, 59, 76, 220, 265, 314, 337, 352, 494, 521)	Change provisions relating to the administration of justice	5, 21, 22
LB50A	Wayne	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB51	Briese	SF	Change provisions relating to the use of the state's telecommunications system	
LB52	Lippincott	SF	Eliminate a limitation on the amount of tuition credits available to Nebraska National Guard members	7
LB52A	Lippincott	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB53	McKinney	GF	Create El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, Malcolm X Day and establish a holiday	8
LB54	McKinney	C	Require the office of Legislative Research to prepare racial impact statements for legislative bills	4
LB55	McKinney	W	Change provisions relating to self-sufficiency contracts and work activity requirements under the Welfare Reform Act	
LB56	McKinney	GF	Adopt the Diaper Changing Accommodation Act	
LB57	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act	
LB58	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for diapers	
LB59	J. Cavanaugh	IPP (>50)	Change provisions relating to limitations for a postconviction relief action	21
LB60	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to room confinement of juveniles and required reports	7
LB61	Brandt	GF	Authorize leasing of dark fiber and eliminate certain powers of the Public Service Commission	
LB62	M. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for coverage of translation and interpretation services under the medical assistance program	
LB63	Bostar	IPP (>683)	Require withholding of distributions to telecommunications companies from the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund	14, 21
LB64	Day	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to provide notice in certain cases of child abuse and neglect	
LB65	Day	C	Change provisions relating to the complaint tracking system and disciplinary action under the Child Care Licensing Act	
LB66	Slama	C	Change provisions relating to the regulation and operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles	
LB67	Slama	GF	Provide a duty for the State Treasurer regarding deposits of public funds	5
LB68	Slama	IPP (>92)	Increase limits on medical malpractice liability and change provisions of the Nebraska Hospital-Medical Liability Act	16
LB69	Jacobson	C	Provide requirements for life insurance policies	
LB70	M. Cavanaugh	C	Eliminate the fee for certain state identification cards and certified copies of birth certificates for voting purposes	
LB71	Sanders	GF	Change provisions relating to parental involvement in and access to learning materials in schools	
LB72	Aguilar	C (>775)	Redefine the term gross proceeds for purposes of the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act	11, 14, 16
LB73	Aguilar	C (>775)	Change provisions relating to authorized uses for a County Visitors Improvement Fund	11, 14, 16
LB74	Linehan	IPP (>727)	Change sales tax provisions relating to purchasing agents	20
LB75	Vargas	IPP (>227)	Provide for review of incidents of severe maternal morbidity	4, 21

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LB76	Bostar	C (>50)	Provide access to certain information relating to probationers, juveniles, and parolees to law enforcement agencies	21
LB77	Brewer	S	Provide for carrying of concealed handguns without a permit, change provisions relating to concealed weapons, and prohibit certain regulation of weapons by cities, villages, and counties	4, 9, 13, 16
LB78	Day	GF	Redefine massage therapy under the Massage Therapy Practice Act	
LB79	Erdman	C	Adopt the Nebraska EPIC Option Consumption Tax Act	9
LB80	Aguilar	C (>814)	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Veterans' Affairs	9, 18
LB81	Aguilar	IPP (>799)	Change number of county judges in Buffalo and Hall counties	5, 15
LB81A	Lippincott	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB82	DeBoer	C (>157)	Provide reporting duties for Department of Correctional Services, require development of strategic plan, and eliminate obsolete provisions relating to a working group	21, 22
LB83	DeBoer	GF	Adopt the Uniform Community Property Disposition at Death Act and change provisions relating to court jurisdiction	
LB84	Day	IPP (>227)	Change provisions relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	17, 22
LB85	Day	C	Provide for express lane eligibility under the Medical Assistance Act and the Children's Health Insurance Program	
LB86	Hunt	W	Require public works contractors to pay the state minimum wage	
LB87	Hunt	C	Allow persons eighteen years of age to make health care decisions and persons under nineteen years of age in correctional facilities to consent to medical and mental health care	
LB88	Hunt	C	Change provisions relating to eligibility for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits	11
LB89	Hunt	C	Repeal provisions stating that surrogate parenthood contracts are void and unenforceable	
LB90	Dorn	IPP (>254)	Change provisions relating to tax incentive performance audits	16
LB91	Hansen	IPP (>138)	Change motorcycle, moped, and autocycle helmet and eye protection provisions	4, 21, 22
LB92	Slama	S (+3, 68, 93, 145, 207, 214, 278, 383, 392, 437, 536, 587, 616, 617, 669, 674, 779)	Provide, change, and eliminate law relating to banking, commerce, insurance, housing, and taxation	16, 22
LB92A	Slama	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB93	Slama	IPP (>92)	Change provisions relating to security deposits required to be deposited with the Department of Insurance by insurers	16
LB94	Slama	SF	Adopt and change provisions for controllable electronic records under the Uniform Commercial Code	
LB95	Slama	C	Adopt the Asbestos Trust Claims Transparency Act and the Asbestos Claims Priorities and Claims Legitimacy Act and change a statute of limitations	
LB96	Slama	C (>727)	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for twine	4, 20
LB97	Clements	IPP (>727)	Change provisions relating to required reports for inheritance tax	20
LB98	Jacobson	IPP (>531)	Change provisions of the Community Development Law relating to substandard and blighted declarations and expedited reviews of redevelopment plans	20, 22
LB99	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Hunger-Free Schools Act	7, 14
LB100	Erdman	C (>727)	Change provisions relating to qualified locations under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act	11, 20
LB101	Erdman	C	Provide for an exemption from the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act for certain agricultural operations	
LB102	Erdman	GF	Change provisions relating to the Land Surveyors Regulation Act and the Nebraska Plane Coordinate System Act	
LB102A	Erdman	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB103	McDonnell	S (+104, 105, 160)	Change provisions of the County Employees Retirement Act, the Judges Retirement Act, the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act, the School Employees Retirement Act, and the State Employees Retirement Act	11, 14, 17
LB104	McDonnell	C (>103)	Change provisions of the County Employees Retirement Act, the Judges Retirement Act, the School Employees Retirement Act, the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act, and the State Employees Retirement Act	11, 14, 17
LB105	McDonnell	C (>103)	Change provisions of public employee retirement plans relating to military service	11, 14, 17

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LB106	McDonnell	C	Create the offense of digital grooming of a vulnerable adult and prohibit using an electronic communication device or social media to engage in certain conduct with vulnerable adults	12
LB107	McDonnell	C	Create the offense of digital grooming and prohibit using an electronic communication device or social media to engage in certain conduct with minors	12
LB108	McDonnell	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for community health centers	
LB109	McDonnell	W	Require county boards of corrections in certain counties to act with advice of the county sheriff	
LB110	McDonnell	C	Change potential conditions of pretrial release and provide for a pretrial risk assessment services pilot project	
LB111	McDonnell	GF	Adopt the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission Act	
LB112	McDonnell	C (>814)	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for child advocacy centers	
LB113	McDonnell	C	Appropriate funds for federal four and nine percent low-income housing tax credit programs	
LB114	Vargas	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for evidence-based early intervention home visitation programs	
LB115	Raybould	C	Adopt the Family Home Visitation Act	
LB116	Brandt	IPP (>562)	Change provisions of the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act	19
LB117	Brandt	C	Change provisions relating to the Independent Processor Assistance Program under the Nebraska Meat and Poultry Inspection Law	
LB118	Brandt	C (>727)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Advantage Rural Development Act	11, 20
LB119	Bostelman	C	Redefine a term under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act	
LB120	Bostelman	C	Eliminate obsolete provisions relating to a Nebraska Power Review Board study	
LB121	Bostelman	C	Repeal the Trail Development Assistance Act	
LB122	Bostelman	IPP (>683)	Change provisions relating to the One-Call Notification System Act	14
LB123	Fredrickson	IPP (>227)	Adopt the Behavior Analyst Practice Act	4, 16
LB123A	Fredrickson	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB124	Moser	IPP (>683)	Change the termination date for the County Bridge Match Program	14
LB125	Bostelman	C (>818)	Change provisions relating to interest earnings on the Surface Water Irrigation Infrastructure Fund	
LB126	Day	C	Change provisions relating to homestead exemptions	
LB127	Day	C	Change sentencing provisions for crimes committed by a person under eighteen years of age	11
LB128	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB129	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for medicaid nursing facilities	
LB130	Dorn	GF	Create the medicaid nursing facilities services budgetary program	
LB131	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for medicaid assisted-living facilities	
LB132	J. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Automatic Renewal Limitation Act	
LB133	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide that entities exercising the power of eminent domain are subject to the Open Meetings Act	
LB134	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide requirements under the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act	
LB135	J. Cavanaugh	C	Prohibit use of deception by peace officers in questioning juveniles	
LB136	Moser	SF	Change provisions relating to the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, and the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act	
LB137	Bosn	C	Provide for a penalty enhancement for a controlled substances violation resulting in serious bodily injury or death	21
LB138	Bosn	S (+91, 199, 453, 465, 738, 796)	Adopt updates to federal law relating to motor vehicles and motor carriers and change provisions relating to transportation	14, 21, 22
LB138A	Bosn	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB139	Brandt	GF	Change the jurisdictional amount of the Small Claims Court	
LB140	Brandt	SF	Provide for Czech Heritage license plates	4, 8
LB140A	Brandt	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB141	Briese	GF	Require the State Department of Education to provide guidance to school districts relating to a moment of silence in schools	

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LB142	Briese	C	Limit the amount an insured pays for prescription insulin drugs	6
LB143	Briese	GF	Provide for year-round daylight saving time	
LB144	Brandt	GF	Change and eliminate certain classes of licenses under the State Electrical Act	
LB145	Bostar	C (>92)	Change provisions relating to coverage for screening mammography and breast examinations	16, 22
LB146	Kauth	SF	Change provisions relating to assessment of improvements on leased lands and methods for giving notice by the Tax Commissioner	
LB147	Kauth	GF	Change procedures for property tax refunds	
LB148	Jacobson	C	Change powers and duties of the State Racing and Gaming Commission related to licensed racetrack enclosures and change dates related to the required market analysis and socioeconomic-impact studies	
LB149	Jacobson	C	State intent regarding appropriations and rebasing rates under the medical assistance program	
LB150	Dover	C	Change provisions relating to entertainment districts under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB151	Dover	SF	Change provisions relating to the State Real Estate Commission	
LB152	Dover	GF	Eliminate registration requirements under the Membership Campground Act	
LB153	DeBoer	IPP (>705)	Adopt the Extraordinary Increase in Special Education Expenditures Act	18
LB154	DeBoer	C	Change notice provisions relating to treasurer's tax deeds	
LB155	DeBoer	IPP (>683)	Change provisions regarding the applicability of the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act	
LB156	DeBoer	C	Change the caseload ratio for the Public Guardian	
LB157	DeBoer	S (+11, 82, 183, 240, 315, 330, 436, 438, 480, 757)	Provide for appointment of temporary guardians and change provisions relating to attorney's fees, third-party practice, change of name proceedings, enforcement of debts against certain victims, controlled substances schedules, decedents' estates, and crime victims' reparations	21, 22
LB158	McDonnell	W	Appropriate funds to the Department of Agriculture	
LB159	McDonnell	C	Adopt the Fostering Independence Higher Education Grant Act	
LB160	McDonnell	IPP (>103)	Change contribution rates relating to supplemental retirement plans for certain law enforcement personnel under the County Employees Retirement Act	7, 14, 17
LB161	McDonnell	GF	Change provisions of the Workplace Privacy Act	
LB162	McDonnell	C	Prohibit tampering with electronic monitoring devices required by court order or as a condition of parole	21
LB163	McKinney	C	Provide for various reforms to jails and prisons, provide certain protections for prisoners, prohibit construction or expansion of prisons and jails as prescribed, and provide for oversight of the Department of Correctional Services during an overcrowding emergency by the Judiciary Committee	
LB164	McKinney	C	Adopt updates to building and energy codes	
LB165	von Gillern	C	Include elementary and secondary schools in the Nebraska educational savings plan trust and change tax benefits	20
LB166	Bostelman	C	Change provisions relating to design-build, construction manager-general contractor, and public-private-partnership proposals under the Transportation Innovation Act	
LB167	Slama	C	Provide requirements for depositions of certain children	
LB168	Bostar	C	Change provisions relating to sports wagering and distribution of taxes collected from sports wagering on in-state collegiate sporting events	
LB169	Hunt	C	Prohibit discrimination based upon sexual orientation and gender identity	9
LB170	McKinney	IPP (>531)	Redefine blighted area under the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority Act	20
LB171	McKinney	GF	Name the Metropolitan Utilities District Act and transfer and change provisions relating to metropolitan utilities districts	
LB172	Bostar	GF	Adopt updated electrical standards	
LB173	Bostar	C	Change provisions relating to the taxation of nonresident income	13
LB174	Dungan	C	Eliminate the statute of limitations on certain civil actions for sexual assault of a child	
LB175	Dungan	C	Adopt the Residential Tenant Clean Slate Act	10
LB176	Dungan	C (>814)	State intent regarding appropriations to the Supreme Court for interpreter services	
LB177	Erdman	C	Adopt the My Student, My Choice Act	
LB178	Erdman	C	Require display of the national motto in schools	
LB179	Fredrickson	C	Prohibit conversion therapy	9
LB180	Brandt	C (>727)	Adopt the Nebraska Biodiesel Tax Credit Act	9, 20
LB181	Hansen	IPP (>227)	Provide for filling and refilling prescriptions in certain circumstances	16

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LB182	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change requirements for a report by the Supreme Court on eviction proceedings and change requirements for complaints for restitution of premises	
LB183	J. Cavanaugh	IPP (>157)	Allow petitioners to proceed in forma pauperis in change of name proceedings	21
LB184	J. Cavanaugh	GF	Provide for inadmissibility of statements of juveniles during transfer proceedings	
LB185	J. Cavanaugh	C	Require the Department of Revenue to distribute funds to individuals as prescribed	
LB186	J. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Unlawful Restrictive Covenant Modification Act	
LB187	J. Cavanaugh	C	Require appointment of counsel for tenants in eviction proceedings in counties containing a city of the metropolitan class or primary class	
LB188	Hansen	C	Authorize the Commissioner of Education to issue temporary certificates to teach to veterans as prescribed	4
LB189	Kauth	C	Change and provide exemptions for natural hair braiding and natural hairstyling	
LB190	Brandt	GF	Authorize scheduled extension of county bridge project payments	
LB191	Halloran	S (+249, 267, 427, 460, 639, 666, 671)	Adopt the Critical Infrastructure Utility Worker Protection Act and change provisions relating to the Contractor Registration Act, the Employment Security Law, the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act, and the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act	16, 21
LB192	Halloran	C	Change the definition of household income for homestead exemptions	
LB193	Halloran	C	Provide requirements for voting systems under the Election Act	12
LB194	Halloran	GF	Adopt the Second Amendment Preservation Act	5
LB195	Halloran	GF	Adopt the Faithful Delegate to Federal Article V Convention Act	
LB196	Bostar	C	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System and benefits provided upon the death of an officer after retirement and annual benefit adjustment calculations	
LB197	McDonnell	C	Redefine eligible employees voting in a referendum relating to social security	
LB198	McDonnell	GF	Provide for a return to work and authorize contributions under the School Employees Retirement Act and the Class V School Employees Retirement Act	
LB199	Brewer	IPP (>138)	Provide for a driving privilege card for federally authorized aliens	7, 14, 21, 22
LB200	Briese	C	Adopt the Canadian Prescription Drug Importation Act	4
LB201	Vargas	IPP (>705)	Provide a high school graduation requirement relating to federal student aid	9, 16
LB202	Walz	C (>227)	Provide for vaccine administration by pharmacy technicians	
LB203	Riepe	C	Provide for a release of employee medical records as prescribed under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	
LB204	Riepe	GF	Provide for reimbursement for pharmacy dispensing fees under the medical assistance program	
LB205	von Gillern	GF	Adopt the Government Neutrality in Contracting Act	
LB206	von Gillern	IPP (>754)	Change provisions relating to the taxation of partnerships	13
LB207	von Gillern	IPP (>92)	Change provisions relating to sales under the Nebraska Trust Deeds Act	16
LB208	Bostar	C	Prohibit counties from prohibiting the use of residential property as short-term rentals	
LB209	Bostar	C	Provide tax exemptions relating to data centers	9
LB210	Bostar	C	Adopt the Prior Authorization Reform Act	
LB211	Blood	C	Adopt the Property Tax Circuit Breaker Act	
LB212	Slama	C	Require the Department of Transportation to plan, design, and purchase rights-of-way for U.S. Highway 75 and pave all unpaved state highways	
LB213	Slama	C	Change provisions regarding tax credits under the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act and grants under the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act	
LB214	Slama	IPP (>92)	Adopt changes to federal law regarding banking and finance and change provisions relating to digital asset depositories, loan brokers, mortgage loan originators, and installment loans	16
LB215	Briese	C	Provide, change, eliminate, and transfer provisions regarding the offices of Inspector General of Child Welfare and Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System	
LB216	Hughes	C	Provide certification requirements for optometrists performing certain procedures	4
LB217	Hughes	IPP (>565)	Change a date for certain scrap tire recycling grants	16
LB218	Ibach	GF	Change provisions relating to intent to appropriate money for management of vegetation within the banks or flood plain of a natural stream	
LB219	Ibach	C (>227)	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to rebase rates for critical access hospitals	16
LB220	Ibach	IPP (>50)	Change provisions relating to the Board of Pardons' powers and duties and required notices to crime victims	21
LB221	Ibach	C	Redefine salary under the retirement plan for firefighters of a city of the first class	11

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LB222	Fredrickson	IPP (>705)	Prescribe requirements for the student application and admission process of public colleges and universities regarding criminal history and juvenile court record information	8, 18
LB223	McKinney	IPP (>531)	Provide and change reporting requirements under the Municipal Density and Missing Middle Housing Act	20
LB224	McKinney	GF	Adopt the Aid to Municipalities Act	8
LB225	Dungan	C	Change provisions relating to the committee on American civics	4
LB226	Brandt	C	Change provisions relating to construction manager-general contractor contracts and public-private partnerships under the Transportation Innovation Act	
LB227	Hansen	S (+35, 75, 84, 123, 181, 202, 219, 245, 261, 286, 345, 357, 402, 419, 431, 434, 458, 517, 548, 570, 572, 586, 590, 611, 765)	Change provisions relating to public health and welfare	16, 17, 21, 22
LB227A	Hansen	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB228	Erdman	C	Create state holidays for statewide primary and general election days, require in-person voting, photographic identification to vote, counting of ballots on election day, and counting of ballots at the precinct level, and allow voting by mail for registered military personnel and residents of nursing homes and assisted-living facilities	9
LB229	Erdman	C	Change registered feedlot inspection requirements under the Livestock Brand Act	
LB230	Erdman	C	Require qualifying identification for voter registration and voting, require in-person voting, provide penalties, eliminate certain fees for state identification cards and certified copies of birth certificates, and change provisions relating to operators' licenses and state identification cards	9
LB231	Dungan	C	Change provisions related to student attendance and require plans for excessive absences	
LB232	J. Cavanaugh	C (>775)	Change provisions relating to keno and provide for the sale of digital-on-premises tickets	7, 11, 14, 16
LB233	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for child support payment disregard under aid to dependent children program and eliminate child support income in determining eligibility	
LB234	Walz	GF	Require reporting of blocked railroad crossing complaints	10
LB235	Wayne	GF	Change provisions relating to the use of tax credits under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act	
LB236	Wayne	C	Provide for appointment and powers of problem-solving court judicial officers	
LB237	Wayne	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Environment and Energy	
LB238	Wayne	C	Include virtual school students in the state aid to schools formula	
LB239	Wayne	C	Change individual income tax brackets and rates	
LB240	Wayne	IPP (>157)	Provide for modification of disposition orders or conditions of probation upon motion by juvenile under the Nebraska Juvenile Code	21
LB241	Briese	C	Change provisions relating to transfers of water to another state	4
LB242	Briese	C (>243)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act	14
LB243	Briese	S (+28, 242, 309, 589, 783)	Adopt the School District Property Tax Limitation Act, change levying authority and provide aid to community college areas, and change provisions relating to the Tax Equalization and Review Commission and property and income taxes	14, 19, 21
LB243A	Briese	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB244	Briese	C	Provide an additional tax credit under the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act	
LB245	Walz	IPP (>227)	Change per diem compensation for members of the Board of Barber Examiners	17
LB246	McKinney	GF	Change provisions relating to sanitary and improvement districts	4, 16, 21
LB247	Lippincott	SF	Change provisions relating to issuance of a certificate of title for certain vehicles	
LB248	Vargas	C	Prohibit discrimination based on lawful source of income under the Nebraska Fair Housing Act and create the Landlord Guarantee Program	
LB249	Briese	IPP (>191)	Change provisions of the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act	
LB250	Brewer	SF	Require periodic command climate surveys of the Nebraska National Guard	
LB250A	Brewer	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB251	Brewer	W	Change tax provisions relating to cigars, cheroots, and stogies	

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LB252	Brewer	SF	Change provisions relating to veterans' homes and veterans' aid	
LB253	Brewer	C	Provide for an additional location for the Nebraska Law Enforcement Training Center	
LB254	Brewer	S (+90, 552)	Provide and change requirements relating to video coverage of the Legislature, performance audits, and the Legislative Mental Health Care Capacity Strategic Planning Committee	6, 16, 17, 21
LB254A	Brewer	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB255	Brewer	C	Change eminent domain and renewable energy generation provisions relating to certain power suppliers	
LB256	Brewer	IPP (>296)	Change provisions related to insurance coverage of telehealth	14
LB257	Lowe	GF	Change provisions relating to cemeteries and abandonment and reversion of cemetery lots	
LB258	Lowe	C	Eliminate provisions relating to near beer under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB259	Lowe	C (>376)	Allow farm wineries to obtain additional retail licenses under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	5, 11, 16
LB260	Wayne	IPP (>799)	Designate Nebraska Appellate Reports Online Library as the repository for published judicial opinions of the Nebraska Supreme Court and the Nebraska Court of Appeals	15
LB261	Riepe	IPP (>227)	Change apprenticeship requirements under Funeral Directing and Embalming Practice Act	17
LB262	Agriculture	GF	Change and eliminate provisions of the Nebraska Pure Food Act	
LB263	Agriculture	GF	Change provisions of the Nebraska Hemp Farming Act	
LB264	Agriculture	GF	Change provisions of the Grain Dealer Act and the Grain Warehouse Act	
LB265	Brewer	IPP (>50)	Require protective vests and safety training for correctional officers and allow Department of Health and Human Services employees to use justified force in defense of self or others	21
LB266	Brewer	C	Change provisions regarding eligibility for Military Honor license plates	
LB267	Brewer	IPP (>191)	Adopt the Critical Infrastructure Utility Worker Protection Act	16, 21
LB268	Halloran	C	Authorize participation by certain entities in trusts or investment pools established by the State Treasurer	
LB269	Halloran	IPP (>514)	Eliminate obsolete provisions relating to redistricting and boundary changes after the 2020 federal decennial census	21
LB270	McKinney	C	Change provisions relating to the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act and rental registration ordinances	
LB271	McKinney	C	Change reporting requirements for child abuse and neglect	
LB272	Vargas	C	Change provisions relating to the date when compensation begins under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	
LB273	Vargas	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education	
LB274	Holdcroft	C	Provide for persons with disabled veterans license plates to park in handicapped parking spaces	7
LB275	Wishart	C (>814)	State intent regarding appropriations to the Foster Care Review Office	
LB276	Wishart	S	Adopt the Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinic Act	8, 13, 20
LB276A	Wishart	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB277	Brewer	GF	Adopt the First Freedom Act and authorize the wearing of tribal regalia by students	
LB278	Walz	IPP (>92)	Provide duties for the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority and the Department of Economic Development relating to housing for persons with disabilities	16
LB278A	Walz	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB279	Kauth	SF	Change and eliminate provisions relating to executive officers of banks	
LB280	Blood	C	Adopt the Interstate Massage Compact	
LB281	Jacobson	C (>818)	Require the Department of Economic Development to provide grants for youth outdoor education camp facilities	7
LB282	Riepe	S	Provide for payment of claims and approve a contract claim against the state	15, 19, 20
LB283	Riepe	GF	Deny claims against the state	
LB284	McKinney	C	Adopt the Municipal Police Oversight Act, require maintenance of Brady and Giglio lists, restrict usage of no-knock warrants, prohibit collection of data on gang membership, require a bachelor's degree for law enforcement certification, change requirements on law enforcement records, and eliminate the offense of unlawful membership recruitment into an organization	
LB285	Walz	GF	Adopt the School Community Eligibility Provision Maximization Act	4
LB286	Walz	IPP (>227)	Provide for confidentiality of a physician wellness program under the Uniform Credentialing Act	17
LB287	Brewer	C	Prohibit creation of joint public agencies under the Joint Public Agency Act	
LB288	Bostelman	C	Require the Department of Motor Vehicles to establish and maintain an online verification system for accessing certain private passenger motor vehicle insurance and financial responsibility information and authorize a disclosure under the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act	

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LB289	Bostelman	IPP (>565)	Provide powers for agencies created under the Municipal Cooperative Financing Act	16
LB290	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change standard of need requirements for the aid to dependent children program	10
LB291	M. Cavanaugh	C	Require implicit bias or diversity, equity, and inclusion training for certain applicants and credential holders under the Uniform Credentialing Act	
LB292	M. Cavanaugh	C	Prohibit the use of eminent domain under the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Act	
LB293	M. Cavanaugh	C	Provide formal protest procedures for certain state contracts for services	
LB294	Conrad	C	Adopt the Child Tax Credit Act	6, 13
LB295	Conrad	C	Increase the earned income tax credit	
LB296	Ballard	S (+256, 640)	Adopt the Pet Insurance Act, require use of National Provider Identifiers by health care providers, and change insurance reimbursement provisions for telehealth services	4, 7, 14, 16
LB297	Sanders	GF	Adopt the Personal Privacy Protection Act	7
LB298	Linehan	S (+413, 630)	Adopt the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact and require school districts and the State Department of Education to collect and report information regarding dyslexia and other learning disabilities and to establish dress code and grooming policies	8, 14, 21, 22
LB298A	Linehan	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB299	Linehan	SF	Require approval by the voters of a school district or educational service unit for the issuance of certain bonds under the Interlocal Cooperation Act	4, 8
LB300	Linehan	IPP (>727)	Change provisions relating to sales and use tax exemptions for nonprofit organizations	20
LB301	Linehan	C	Change a tax on ready-to-drink cocktails under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB302	Linehan	GF	Change provisions relating to conflicts of interest by certain officeholders and public employees	
LB303	Linehan	GF	Change provisions relating to an annual estimate for necessary funding under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB304	Linehan	GF	Require political subdivisions to disclose membership dues and lobbying fees	
LB305	Halloran	GF	Change provisions relating to grain warehouse storage rates and charges	
LB306	Hunt	C	Create the Nebraska Youth in Care Bill of Rights	
LB307	Hunt	GF	Provide an exception to the penalty relating to drug paraphernalia under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	
LB308	Bostar	GF	Adopt the Genetic Information Privacy Act	6
LB309	Bostar	C (>243)	Change an interest rate relating to property tax refunds	14
LB310	Conrad	C	Change the maximum payment level under the aid to dependent children program	
LB311	Lowe	C	Change dates related to the required market analysis and socioeconomic-impact studies under the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act	7
LB312	Lowe	GF	Change provisions relating to withholding money due to noncompliance with budget limits and annual audits for certain political subdivisions	
LB313	Lowe	C (>514)	Change provisions relating to special elections and filling vacancies in the United States Senate and House of Representatives	21
LB314	Fredrickson	IPP (>50)	Require firearm dealers to provide information on suicide prevention and require training on suicide prevention under the Concealed Handgun Permit Act	4, 21
LB315	Fredrickson	IPP (>157)	Prohibit providers of services relating to examination or treatment of injuries from sexual assault, domestic assault, and child abuse from taking certain debt enforcement actions against victims	4, 21, 22
LB316	Fredrickson	C	Change and eliminate provisions relating to marriage	
LB317	von Gillern	GF	Change provisions relating to inspection of real property by county assessors	
LB318	Bostar	C (>754)	Adopt the Child Care Tax Credit Act and reauthorize tax credits under the School Readiness Tax Credit Act	13, 21
LB319	Bostar	C	Create funds, transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Fund, and provide for child care funding	
LB320	Brandt	C	Change provisions of the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	14
LB321	Brandt	GF	Change provisions of the Nebraska Pure Food Act	
LB321A	Brandt	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB322	Linehan	C	Prohibit creation of new joint public agencies with power or authority relating to tax	
LB323	Linehan	C (>814)	Appropriate funds for a salary increase for legislative employees	
LB324	Wishart	C	Change provisions relating to reimbursements under the Special Education Act	
LB325	Dungan	C	Change immunity for intentional torts under the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act and the State Tort Claims Act	
LB326	Raybould	C	Provide for eligibility for certain children under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB327	Raybould	GF	Change provisions relating to the minimum wage under the Wage and Hour Act	7
LB328	Raybould	GF	Create the Office of Liaison for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons	6

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LB328A	Raybould	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB329	Raybould	IPP (>531)	Prohibit the application of the state building code in a manner that would prohibit or limit the use of certain refrigerant	20
LB330	DeBoer	C (>157)	Change provisions relating to small estate affidavits under the Uniform Probate Code	21
LB331	DeBoer	C	Provide for adoption by two persons jointly and change provisions relating to adoptions	
LB332	Linehan	C	Prohibit creation of new joint public agencies with power or authority relating to education	
LB333	Conrad	C	Require a state plan amendment for coverage of family planning services under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB334	McDonnell	C	Adopt the Reentry Housing Network Act and provide a duty for the Department of Correctional Services and the Board of Parole	
LB335	Halloran	GF	Adopt the Health Care Staffing Agency Registration Act	
LB336	Halloran	C	Terminate the Nebraska Hemp Commission, create the Nebraska Hemp Advisory Board, and eliminate a fee and penalty	
LB337	Riepe	IPP (>50)	Change provisions relating to disclosure of patient information under the Mental Health Practice Act	21
LB338	McKinney	C	Change provisions relating to pretrial release, sentencing, failure to appear, revocation and sanctions under probation and parole, and suspension of licenses under the License Suspension Act	
LB339	McKinney	C	Provide for confidentiality of prosecutions and adjudications of minors, extend jurisdiction under the Nebraska Juvenile Code, provide requirements for custodial interrogations of juveniles and young adults, prohibit use of certain statements, prohibit sending juveniles out of state, provide for use and reimbursement of reporting centers, and establish a family resource and juvenile assessment center pilot program	
LB340	McKinney	C	Change provisions related to expelled students under the Student Discipline Act	10
LB341	Halloran	C	Adopt the State and Political Subdivisions Child Sexual Abuse Liability Act and exempt actions from the State Tort Claims Act and Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act	
LB342	Hardin	IPP (>531)	Change provisions relating to home inspectors	11, 20
LB343	Slama	GF	Prohibit public contracts with companies that boycott Israel	
LB344	Armendariz	IPP (>727)	Exclude certain delinquent taxes from qualifying for tax credit under the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act	20
LB345	Armendariz	IPP (>227)	Define palliative care under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act	17
LB346	Brandt	IPP (>531)	Redefine qualifying business under the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act	
LB347	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to catalytic converters	
LB348	Wayne	C	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	
LB349	Wayne	C	Change award limitations and appropriations intent language under the Business Innovation Act	
LB350	Wayne	C	Adopt the Pioneer Economic Tax Credit Act	
LB351	Wayne	C	Increase and eliminate limits on medical malpractice liability and change provisions relating to proof of financial responsibility and the Excess Liability Fund	
LB352	Wayne	C (>50)	Change criminal justice provisions including offenses, sentencing, set asides, restitution, pretrial diversion, and parole; provide for benefits under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act; create criminal justice pilot programs; terminate an oversight committee; and create a task force	21, 22
LB353	Raybould	C	Provide for grants for projects that increase long-term care facility capacity	
LB354	Raybould	C	Change uninsured or underinsured motor vehicle insurance provisions	
LB355	Raybould	C	Change a requirement for transportation network company insurance	
LB356	Walz	IPP (>705)	Redefine terms under the Nebraska Opportunity Grant Act	18
LB357	Walz	IPP (>227)	Change the maximum support allowable under the Disabled Persons and Family Support Act	17
LB358	Walz	GF	State intent to increase dental services reimbursement under the Medical Assistance Act	7
LB359	Hughes	IPP (>683)	Change application deadlines under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act	14
LB360	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Procurement Act	
LB361	Dorn	C (>814)	State legislative intent to appropriate funds for the Precision Agriculture Infrastructure Grant Program	
LB362	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations for a rate increase for behavioral health services	
LB363	Dorn	C	Provide for transfer of duties of clerks of the district court to clerk magistrates	
LB364	Hunt	C	Provide for election of election commissioners and eliminate certain deputy positions	
LB365	Hunt	C	Permit counties to conduct elections by mail	

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LB366	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to public records and include body-worn camera recordings in certain circumstances	
LB367	Conrad	C	Adopt the Fair Chance Hiring Act	11
LB368	Conrad	C	Create a grant program to expand and enhance criminal justice programs in a county with a city of the primary class	5
LB369	Linehan	C	Change property tax provisions relating to net book value	
LB370	Linehan	GF	Require a notice relating to the availability of certain tax credits	
LB371	Murman	C	Prohibit an individual under nineteen years of age or under twenty-one years of age from being present at a drag show as prescribed	12, 21
LB372	Murman	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to part-time enrollment in public schools and extracurricular activities	18
LB373	Murman	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the University of Nebraska	
LB374	Murman	C	Adopt the Parents' Bill of Rights and Academic Transparency Act	5
LB375	Lowe	C	Authorize certain licensees to purchase alcoholic liquor for resale from a gas station, grocery store, liquor store, or similar establishment under certain circumstances as prescribed under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB376	Lowe	S (+259, 377, 452, 596, 667)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	11, 16
LB377	Lowe	C (>376)	Change provisions relating to special designated licenses under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	11, 16
LB378	McDonnell	C	Change retirement system participation provisions	
LB379	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to civil liability for violations of occupant protection system requirements	
LB380	Conrad	C	Changes to the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act to provide for jury trials and prohibit discrimination for exercise of rights under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	
LB381	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Mental Health Wellness Act and authorize county sales and use taxes	
LB382	Bostar	C	Provide powers and duties for University of Nebraska police departments and police officers	
LB383	Bostar	C (>92)	Change provisions relating to insurance coverage for screenings for colorectal cancer	16
LB384	Bostar	IPP (>727)	Change the distribution of sales tax revenue on aircraft	20
LB385	Linehan	IPP (>705)	Adopt the Nebraska Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act	5, 18
LB386	Linehan	C	Prohibit changes to the base limitation for school districts and the local effort rate calculation under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB387	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to income tax rates	
LB388	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to sales taxes	
LB389	Linehan	C	Restrict the use of tax-increment financing	
LB390	Clements	GF	Change provisions relating to ballots for early voting under the Election Act	
LB391	Day	C	Provide criminal and civil immunity for pregnancy outcomes	
LB392	Ballard	C (>92)	Authorize the electronic delivery of certain health benefit plan documents	16
LB393	Erdman	C	Change regulation of detasseling and roguing and hybrid seed corn	
LB394	Erdman	C	Change provisions relating to the determination of damages as a result of eminent domain	
LB395	Erdman	IPP (>565)	Change the compensation of members of the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission	16
LB395A	Erdman	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB396	Erdman	C	Provide for streamflow augmentation projects and retention of water rights	
LB397	Erdman	C	Relocate the Game and Parks Commission headquarters to the city of Sidney, Nebraska	
LB398	Erdman	C	Change provisions relating to in lieu of tax payments by the Game and Parks Commission	
LB399	Brewer	C	Change provisions relating to privately developed renewable energy generation facilities and other electric generation facilities	
LB400	Brewer	C (>565)	Adopt the Nebraska Pheasant Restoration Act	6, 16
LB401	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Natural Resources	
LB402	Ballard	IPP (>227)	Redefine home health agency under Health Care Facility Licensure Act	16
LB403	Vargas	C	Change provisions relating to a craft brewery license under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB404	Vargas	C	Change provisions relating to agreements between wholesalers and suppliers for the distribution of beer	
LB405	Vargas	C	Change provisions of the Non-English-Speaking Workers Protection Act	
LB406	Brandt	C	Change retirement system contribution rates for firefighters of cities of the first class	
LB407	Linehan	C (>727)	Extend an application deadline under the Nebraska Transformational Projects Act	20

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LB408	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to conflicts of interest under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB409	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to individuals required to file a statement of financial interests under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB410	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to conflicts of interest under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB411	Dungan	C	Appropriate funds for Wyuka Cemetery	
LB412	Moser	IPP (>683)	Provide powers for the Public Service Commission under the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act	
LB413	Blood	IPP (>298)	Adopt the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact	21
LB414	Conrad	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to the enrollment option program	18
LB415	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services	12
LB416	Kauth	C	Change provisions relating to the taxation of nonresident income	
LB417	McDonnell	C	Provide for a leadership academy for law enforcement professionals	
LB418	Dungan	W	Require certain policies issued by insurers to comply with federal minimum levels of financial responsibility for motor carriers as prescribed	
LB419	Wishart	IPP (>227)	Require submission of a medicaid state plan amendment to extend postpartum coverage	21
LB419A	Wishart	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB420	Raybould	C	Require the state to pay counties for the cost of office and service facilities used for the administration of public assistance programs	
LB421	Kauth	C	Provide procedures for directed health measures	
LB422	Kauth	C	Exempt certain activities from disciplinary action under the Uniform Credentialing Act	
LB423	DeBoer	C	Provide for umbrella and excess insurance coverage to be stacked with uninsured and underinsured motorist coverage	
LB424	DeBoer	C	Create the Department of Housing and Urban Development	10
LB425	Bostelman	IPP (>565)	Change provisions relating to the Game and Parks Commission and the Game Law	16
LB426	Riepe	IPP (>799)	Change the number of judges on the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court	15
LB427	Riepe	IPP (>191)	Eliminate fees relating to nonresident contractors under the Contractor Registration Act	16
LB428	Walz	IPP	Require the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency to provide matching funding for the federal Hazard Mitigation Grant Program	
LB429	Walz	C	Create a fund under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act and transfer unclaimed income tax credits to the fund	
LB430	Walz	GF	Prohibit a multiple procedure payment reduction policy from being applied to physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech-language pathology services as prescribed under the Uniform Credentialing Act	
LB431	Halloran	IPP (>227)	Change provisions relating to criminal history record information checks under the Uniform Credentialing Act	16
LB432	McKinney	C	Adopt the Second Look Act, change provisions relating to sentences and certain offenses, provide for good time for offenders serving mandatory minimum terms, provide for expanded parole eligibility and for geriatric parole, and change provisions relating to parole	
LB433	Jacobson	C (>814)	Provide requirements for distribution of funding for behavioral health regions	
LB434	Jacobson	C (>227)	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to enroll long-term care hospitals as providers under the medical assistance program and submission of a state plan amendment or waiver	16
LB435	Bosn	C	Provide for court appointed parental advisers	
LB436	Bosn	IPP (>157)	Change provisions relating to controlled substances schedules under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	21
LB437	Ballard	C (>92)	Change the renewal period for business entity licenses under the Insurance Producers Licensing Act	16
LB438	Conrad	IPP (>157)	Provide for an award of attorney's fees in appeals and change and modernize third-party practice provisions	
LB439	Raybould	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Correctional Services for domestic violence programming	
LB440	Albrecht	C	Change provisions relating to certain school taxes and special funds	
LB441	Albrecht	C	Change provisions relating to obscenity	
LB442	Albrecht	GF	State intent to transfer funds to the Livestock Growth Act Cash Fund	
LB442A	Albrecht	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB443	Albrecht	C	Change provisions relating to compensation for total disability under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	
LB444	Linehan	C	Provide for a one-time grant for a health sciences education center, infrastructure costs, and a community athletics complex	

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LB445	Wayne	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB446	Bostar	C	Adopt the Peer-to-Peer Vehicle Sharing Program Act	
LB447	Bostar	IPP (>27)	Provide an income tax deduction for retired firefighters for health insurance premiums, rename and change provisions of the Law Enforcement Education Act to include tuition waivers for professional firefighters and dependents, and provide powers and duties for the Department of Revenue	20
LB448	Bostar	C	Prohibit certain provisions in a health plan in relation to clinician-administered drugs	
LB449	Brandt	C	Provide an additional use for the County Bridge Match Program	
LB450	Brewer	GF	Prohibit land disposal of wind turbine blades and their component parts	
LB451	Brewer	GF	Provide for the Department of Health and Human Services to award a grant to assist a rehabilitation hospital	
LB452	Murman	IPP (>376)	Change provisions relating to microdistilleries under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	11, 16
LB453	DeKay	IPP (>138)	Provide an additional use of the Highway Cash Fund and change provisions relating to bridge replacement and road construction contracts	14
LB454	DeKay	C	Require the Department of Transportation to plan, design, and purchase rights-of-way for U.S. Highway 81	9
LB455	Wayne	GF	Require the State Department of Education to create a grant program	
LB455A	Wayne	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB456	Brewer	C	Provide for claims for monetary compensation for damage caused by elk or mountain lions and authorize the control of elk and mountain lion populations	
LB457	Holdcroft	C	Require video surveillance of voting and provide requirements for paper ballots, vote scanning devices, and vote tabulating equipment	12
LB458	Ballard	C (>227)	Allow certain central fill pharmacies to deliver to a patient under the Prescription Drug Safety Act	16
LB459	McDonnell	C	Require reimbursement by the State Fire Marshal for premiums for benefits provided pursuant to the Firefighter Cancer Benefits Act	
LB460	McDonnell	IPP (>191)	Provide for reimbursement of mental health examinations and resilience training for certain persons under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	16
LB461	Arch	GF	Change, transfer, and eliminate provisions relating to the materiel division of the Department of Administrative Services and procurement of services and personal property	
LB462	Conrad	IPP (>531)	Redefine a term under the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act	9, 20
LB463	Health & Human Services	C	Change provisions relating to application for licensure under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act	
LB464	Vargas	W	Change provisions relating to proof of mental injuries and mental illness for first responders under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	
LB465	Moser	IPP (>138)	Change the allocation of fees for operators' licenses and state identification cards	14
LB466	DeBoer	C	Change provisions relating to service of garnishment summons, continuing liens, and notices upon corporate garnishees	
LB467	DeBoer	C	Require state correctional employees to complete mental health training	
LB468	DeBoer	C	Create the position of State Dementia Director in the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB469	Kauth	C	Change composition of the state protective service bargaining unit	
LB470	McDonnell	C (>814)	State intent regarding an increase in reimbursement rates for child welfare service providers	
LB471	Brewer	C	Rename and change provisions of the Engineers and Architects Regulation Act to include provisions relating to registered interior designers and to create a voluntary registry for interior designers	
LB472	lbach	C	Change provisions relating to admissibility of evidence of use of an occupant protection system or a three-point safety belt system	
LB473	Geist	C	Create a grant program to operate a safe and secure treatment center for youth	7
LB474	Wayne	IPP (>531)	Provide duties for the Nebraska State Historical Society relating to the Mayhew Cabin and Fort Robinson historical sites	20
LB475	Wayne	C	Adopt the Nebraska Education Formula and terminate the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB476	Wayne	W	Adopt the Public Entities Investment Trust Act	
LB477	Wayne	C	Appropriate funds to the Omaha Streetcar Authority	
LB478	Wayne	C	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Juvenile Code and education programs in state institutions that house juveniles, provide powers and duties to the State Department of Education and the State Board of education to establish an educational division responsible for the education of certain juveniles, and provide a termination date for the superintendent of institutional schools	

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LB479	Wayne	C	Transfer the Office of Probation Administration to the executive branch, rename the Division of Parole Supervision as the Parole Supervision Agency, and remove such agency from the Board of Parole	
LB480	Holdcroft	IPP (>157)	Change medical lien provisions	21
LB481	Raybould	C	Adopt the Housing Incentive District Act	
LB482	Raybould	C	Adopt the Suicide Risk Protection Order Act	
LB483	Raybould	C	Redefine qualifying mutual financial institution for purposes of regulation of public funds deposit security	
LB484	Moser	GF	Provide for continuing education for licensed motor vehicle dealers and authorization to conduct an educational seminar for continuing education credit and eliminate a requirement for the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board to maintain an office in the State Capitol	
LB485	Hunt	C	Provide for applicability of provisions regarding state contracts for services to certain state entities	
LB486	Hunt	C	Change the prohibition on use of state funds for advertising or promotional materials	
LB487	Hunt	C	Prohibit any school in Nebraska receiving public funds from discriminating as prescribed	
LB488	Hunt	C	Adopt the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act	
LB489	von Gillern	C	Exclude marketplace network contractors working for marketplace network platforms from the Employment Security Law	11
LB490	von Gillern	C	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for health aid	
LB491	von Gillern	C (>727)	Change provisions relating to claiming tax credits under the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act	20
LB492	von Gillern	C	Allow income tax deductions for the cost of certain property and for certain research or experimental expenditures	
LB493	Dungan	C	Remove the prohibition that a lottery ticket cannot be sold through a vending or dispensing device under the State Lottery Act	
LB494	Dungan	C (>50)	Change the business records hearsay exception and provide for additional self-authenticating items of evidence	21
LB495	Briese	IPP (>727)	Redefine nonqualified withdrawal for purposes of the Nebraska educational savings plan	20
LB496	Linehan	C	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for business inputs	
LB497	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to itemized deductions	13
LB498	Linehan	C	Provide a sales tax credit for certain franchise fees paid	
LB499	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to the availability of tax credits under the School Readiness Tax Credit Act	
LB500	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to the family support program for persons with developmental disabilities and their families	
LB501	M. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for compensation under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act for cancers experienced by firefighters	
LB502	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Warehouse Worker Protection Act	
LB503	Aguilar	C	Adopt the Rural Nebraska Nursing Workforce Act	
LB504	Aguilar	C	State intent to transfer and appropriate funds for housing	10
LB505	Bostar	IPP (>727)	Provide for motor vehicle registration of plug-in hybrid electric vehicles, impose an excise tax on electric energy used at commercial electric vehicle charging stations, provide for regulation of commercial electric vehicle charging stations, and provide a sales tax exemption for certain electric energy	
LB506	Bostar	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate federal funds to the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Environment and Energy	11, 15, 22
LB507	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to truancy, juvenile courts, the Community-based Juvenile Services Aid Program, and compulsory education	
LB508	Conrad	C	Appropriate funds to the Supreme Court for the Office of Dispute Resolution	
LB509	Conrad	C	Provide for an increase for reimbursement rates for child welfare services	
LB510	Conrad	C	Require annual cost-of-living adjustments in child welfare rates	10
LB511	Brewer	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services	
LB512	Brewer	C	Change the number of locations allowed for a craft brewery or microdistillery under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB513	Brewer	GF	Change proof of publication requirements for legal notices and requirements for published notice and virtual conferencing under the Open Meetings Act	
LB514	Brewer	S (+269, 313, 535)	Provide for valid photographic identification for voting purposes and change provisions relating to voting and counting ballots and certain identification documents	21, 22
LB514A	Brewer	S	Appropriation Bill	

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LB515	Walz	C	Adopt the Rural Economic Development Initiative Act	
LB516	Walz	IPP (>705)	Provide and change powers and duties for the State Department of Education, Commissioner of Education, State Board of Education, and the state school security director, provide grants to school districts for security-related infrastructure projects, and provide grants to educational service units and local public health departments to hire school psychologists and licensed mental health practitioners as prescribed	11, 18
LB517	Walz	C (>227)	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to pay discharge incentives to post-acute placement facilities	16
LB518	Walz	C	Adopt the Reducing Education Risk Factors and Property Tax Relief Act and change provisions of the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB519	Walz	C (>705)	Eliminate certification fees for teaching certificates, create and terminate funds, state intent regarding an appropriation for school employees, change provisions of the Excellence in Teaching Act, and adopt the Student Teaching Assistance Act	5
LB520	Walz	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to high school graduation requirements and academic content standards and the Computer Science and Technology Education Act	18
LB521	Walz	C (>50)	Provide for immunity for school personnel administering naloxone	21
LB522	Walz	C	Change provisions relating to poverty allowances under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB523	Walz	C	Require a state plan amendment to include school psychologists as medicaid providers	
LB524	Fredrickson	IPP (>727)	Provide an income tax credit for food donations	12
LB525	Fredrickson	C	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for rate increases for psychiatric diagnostic evaluation	
LB526	Fredrickson	C	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for Developmental Disability Aid	
LB527	Fredrickson	C	Provide reimbursements to school districts and educational service units for mental health expenditures	12
LB528	Hansen	C	Create the Nebraska Option Enrollment Tuition Account Program	
LB529	Hansen	C (>727)	Change provisions of the Property Tax Request Act	20
LB530	McKinney	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	
LB531	McKinney	S (+33, 45, 98, 170, 223, 329, 342, 346, 462, 474, 532, 629)	Create and change grant and economic and community development programs, change municipal governance and regulation provisions and state building code provisions, authorize transfer of investment interest on certain funds and Cash Reserve Fund transfers, and authorize development of the Mayhew Cabin historical site and a Chief Standing Bear museum and visitor center	10, 15, 20, 22
LB531A	McKinney	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB532	McKinney	IPP (>531)	Change provisions of the Community Development Law	12, 20
LB533	McKinney	GF	Change plumbing board membership for cities of the primary class and provide for licensure requirements for plumbers in certain cities and villages	
LB534	Slama	C	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Environment and Energy for community water systems	
LB535	Slama	GF (>514)	Require valid photographic identification and change provisions relating to voting under the Election Act and certain identification documents	5
LB536	Slama	IPP (>92)	Change provisions relating to authorized investments for insurers	16
LB537	Slama	C	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act	
LB538	Slama	C	Change provisions relating to the board of directors of a bank	
LB539	Vargas	C (>814)	State intent regarding use of the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund for the Tobacco Prevention and Control Program	
LB540	Vargas	C	Change provisions relating to public lettings	
LB541	Lowe	C	Provide for nomination and election of public power district and public power and irrigation district directors on the partisan ballot	
LB542	Lowe	GF	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act	
LB543	Lowe	C	Change provisions relating to entertainment district licenses under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB544	Conrad	IPP (>775)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Bingo Act	14, 16
LB545	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to an action for possession under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act	
LB546	Conrad	C	Provide requirements for bed and breakfast establishments regarding food, beverages, and fire safety	11

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LB547	Conrad	C (>818)	Create the Capitol Preservation, Restoration, and Enhancement Endowment Fund for the courtyards of the State Capitol	
LB548	Ballard	IPP (>227)	Change examination and compounding requirements under the Pharmacy Practice Act	
LB549	Ballard	C	Change restrictions based on age for certain health care, power of attorney, and financial documents	
LB550	Ballard	C	Change provisions relating to the enrollment option program	
LB551	J. Cavanaugh	C	State intent to appropriate funds to certain counties for long-term care facility operations and services	
LB552	J. Cavanaugh	IPP (>254)	Change requirements for the Legislative Mental Health Care Capacity Strategic Planning Committee	11, 17
LB552A	J. Cavanaugh	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB553	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for automatic review of bail and conditions of release for misdemeanors or violations of city or village ordinances	
LB554	J. Cavanaugh	C	Appropriate funds to the Commission on Public Advocacy	
LB555	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to the indigent defense fee and the Commission on Public Advocacy Operations Cash Fund	
LB556	Brandt	C	Adopt the Capacity Grant Act to provide grants to nonprofit organizations that administer weatherization programs through the low-income home energy assistance program	
LB557	Vargas	C	Limit use of restrictive housing and solitary confinement	
LB558	Day	C	Require payment of a minimum wage for all school district employees	
LB559	Blood	C	Provide for electronic filing of statements of financial interests and require additional elected officials to file such statements under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB560	Blood	C	State intent to seek federal funds under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022	
LB561	Blood	C	Adopt the Cosmetology Licensure Compact	
LB562	Dorn	S (+116, 740)	Adopt the E-15 Access Standard Act and change provisions of the Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Act, the Nebraska Higher Blend Tax Credit Act, the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority Act, and the Nebraska Pure Food Act	17, 19, 22
LB562A	Dorn	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB563	Dorn	C	Appropriate funds to the Nebraska State Historical Society	
LB564	Dorn	C	Change provisions of the Economic Opportunity Program of the Department of Transportation	10
LB565	Bostelman	S (+217, 289, 395, 400, 425, 567, 568, 723)	Adopt the Public Water and Natural Resources Project Contracting Act and the Nuclear and Hydrogen Development Act and change provisions relating to municipal cooperative financing, scrap tires, power conservation and development, and the Game Law	15, 16, 21
LB565A	Bostelman	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB566	Bostelman	GF	Require a study and report by the Natural Resources Committee of the Legislature regarding intermittent renewable energy generation	
LB567	Bostelman	C (>565)	Change provisions relating to public power and irrigation districts and electric suppliers	15
LB568	Bostelman	C (>565)	Adopt the Nuclear and Hydrogen Development Act	7, 15
LB569	Bostelman	GF	Prohibit financial interests by certain county officers and family members in electric generation facilities	
LB570	Vargas	GF (>227)	Adopt the Overdose Fatality Review Teams Act	21
LB571	Lippincott	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Environment and Energy to carry out the Water Well Standards and Contractors' Practice Act	
LB572	Riepe	IPP (>227)	Provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to the Medical Nutrition Therapy Practice Act	16
LB573	Hansen	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development for a time-limited grant program	10
LB574	Kauth	S (+626)	Adopt the Let Them Grow Act and the Preborn Child Protection Act and provide for discipline under the Uniform Credentialing Act	6, 12, 13, 14, 20
LB575	Kauth	C	Adopt the Sports and Spaces Act	7
LB576	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide limitations on liability and nuisance related to land-management burning	
LB577	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to collection of delinquent real property taxes by sale of real property	20
LB578	DeBoer	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the Auditor of Public Accounts	
LB579	DeBoer	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act	
LB580	Holdcroft	IPP (>727)	Change provisions relating to agricultural or horticultural land receiving special valuation	20

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LB581	M. Cavanaugh	C	Create pilot programs for doula services at a youth rehabilitation and treatment center and the Nebraska Correctional Center for Women	12
LB582	Moser	C	Adopt the Manufacturing Modernization Pilot Investment Act	
LB583	Sanders	S	Change provisions of the Special Education Act and the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	6, 11, 14, 19, 21
LB583A	Sanders	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB584	Hughes	IPP (>727)	Impose a tax on selling or dealing in electronic nicotine delivery systems	8, 20
LB585	Hughes	IPP (>705)	Change a duty of the state school security director and require behavioral and mental health training for certain school personnel	18
LB586	Hughes	IPP (>227)	Provide duties for the Nebraska Center for Nursing regarding clinical training sites	8, 17, 22
LB587	Wishart	IPP (>92)	Adopt the Insurance Regulatory Sandbox Act	10, 16, 22
LB588	Wishart	C	Adopt the Medicinal Cannabis Act	6
LB589	Briese	C (>243)	Adopt the School District Property Tax Limitation Act	5, 6, 14, 21
LB590	Holdcroft	IPP (>227)	Change the personal needs allowance for eligible aged, blind, and disabled persons	16
LB591	Hardin	C	Require notice of termination of an oral lease of agricultural land to be given by January 1	
LB592	Hardin	C	Adopt the Social Care Information Privacy Act	
LB593	Hardin	GF	Change provisions relating to licensure and regulation of hearing instrument specialists	
LB594	Hardin	W	Provide for local government investment pools to invest in commercial paper	
LB595	Hardin	GF	Change supervision requirements under the Pharmacy Practice Act	
LB596	Hardin	C (>376)	Authorize a manufacturer or wholesaler to enter into a sponsorship or advertising agreement with certain licensees or organizations under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	11, 16
LB597	Clements	C	Appropriate funds to the Legislative Council	
LB598	Clements	C	Eliminate obsolete provisions relating to the Cash Reserve Fund	
LB599	Armendariz	GF	Change provisions relating to recycling under the Environmental Protection Act and the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act and provide for an additional use of the Waste Reduction and Recycling Incentive Fund	
LB600	Lippincott	GF	Change provisions relating to the Transportation Infrastructure Bank Fund and the Economic Opportunity Program of the Department of Transportation	10
LB601	Dungan	C	State intent regarding increases to reimbursement rates paid to providers of developmental disability services	
LB602	Linehan	C	Exclude certain pensions and annuities from income taxes	
LB603	Linehan	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to the Alternative Certification for Quality Teachers Act and authorize the Commissioner of Education to issue alternative certificates to teach as prescribed	18
LB604	Raybould	C	Change provisions relating to voting early under the Election Act	
LB605	Albrecht	GF	Change provisions of the Mental Health Practice Act to include protections and requirements for certified art therapists	
LB606	Albrecht	GF	Adopt the Nebraska Pregnancy Help Act and provide tax credits	8
LB607	McDonnell	GF	Change provisions relating to grants for the 211 Information and Referral Network	
LB608	McDonnell	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB609	McDonnell	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds for construction of a Vietnam War memorial	18
LB610	Lippincott	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education	
LB611	Riepe	C (>227)	Provide requirements for certain health care facility-provided medications	16
LB612	McDonnell	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services	
LB613	McDonnell	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Environment and Energy	11
LB614	McDonnell	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Agriculture	
LB615	McDonnell	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the State Fire Marshal	
LB616	McDonnell	IPP (>92)	Provide for awards under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act relating to the federal Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) for America Act	16, 22
LB617	McDonnell	IPP (>92)	Create the Economic Development Cash Fund to award a grant relating to the federal Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) for America Act	5, 16
LB618	McDonnell	C	Redefine public benefits and change provisions of the Employment Security Law relating to the disqualification of certain aliens	
LB619	McDonnell	C	Prohibit assault on a public transportation driver and clarify provisions relating to assault on officers, emergency responders, certain employees, and health care professionals	
LB620	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to arraignment and hearings for certain juveniles	
LB621	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to the Site and Building Development Act	
LB622	McDonnell	C (>727)	Change the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	
LB623	McDonnell	C (>727)	Redefine eligible sports arena facility under the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	20

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LB624	McDonnell	GF	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Tourism Commission	
LB625	McDonnell	C	Provide requirements for operation of autonomous vehicles	
LB626	Albrecht	IPP (>574)	Adopt the Nebraska Heartbeat Act	5, 15, 20
LB627	Bostar	C	Adopt the Free Student Meals Act	
LB628	Jacobson	SF	Change provisions relating to limited liability companies and professional corporations	
LB629	McKinney	IPP (>531)	Change provisions of the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act and the Economic Recovery Act	20
LB630	McKinney	IPP (>298)	Provide a duty to the State Department of Education and require a school board to adopt a written dress code	7, 14
LB631	McKinney	C	Change provisions relating to the Board of Parole	9
LB632	McKinney	IPP (>705)	Prohibit the suspension of students in prekindergarten through second grade in a school in a city of the metropolitan class	10, 18
LB633	McKinney	C	Provide duties for the Department of Economic Development regarding marketing for financial incentives offered by the State of Nebraska	
LB634	McKinney	C	Adopt the Cannabis Control Act and the Cannabis Conviction Clean Slate Act	6
LB635	Albrecht	C	Provide requirements regarding access to digital and online resources provided for students by school districts, schools, and the Nebraska Library Commission	
LB636	Albrecht	GF	Prohibit political subdivisions from restricting certain energy services	
LB637	Albrecht	GF	Require members of the public to be allowed to speak at each meeting subject to the Open Meetings Act	
LB638	Albrecht	C	Adopt the Nebraska K-12 Cybersecurity and Data Protection Act	
LB639	Blood	IPP (>191)	Change provisions of Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act relating to rules and regulations, case progression standards, and summons and eliminate requirements to distribute copies of certain materials	16
LB640	Kauth	C (>296)	Require an off-campus location of a hospital to obtain and use a separate National Provider Identifier in billing for health care services	14
LB641	Kauth	C (>754)	Change provisions relating to the taxation of social security benefits	13
LB642	Brewer	C	Provide duties for the Adjutant General regarding Nebraska National Guard members impacted by the COVID-19 vaccine mandate	
LB643	Brewer	C	Adopt the Abandoned Mobile Home Act and change provisions relating to abandoned vehicles	
LB644	McDonnell	GF	Change provisions relating to the use of the Site and Building Development Fund	
LB645	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to state highways and roads	
LB646	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to telecommunications	
LB647	McDonnell	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to the purchase and loan of textbooks for children enrolled in kindergarten to grade twelve of a private school	18
LB647A	McDonnell	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB648	McDonnell	C (>705)	Provide powers and duties to the State Department of Education relating to the development of a workforce diploma program	18
LB649	McDonnell	C	Change provisions and penalties relating to arson, trespass, and graffiti	
LB650	McDonnell	GF	Allow certain cybersecurity records to be withheld from the public	
LB651	McDonnell	C	Provide for appropriations relating to cybersecurity improvements for state agencies and political subdivisions	
LB652	McDonnell	C	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB653	McDonnell	C	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB654	McDonnell	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the Legislative Council	
LB655	McDonnell	C	Appropriate funds to the State Fire Marshal	
LB656	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to the Small Watersheds Flood Control Fund	
LB657	McDonnell	C	Appropriate funds to the University of Nebraska	
LB658	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to the Public Employees Retirement Board	
LB659	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to the Public Employees Retirement Board	
LB660	Ibach	C	Appropriate funds to the Commission on Public Advocacy	
LB661	Ibach	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB662	Ballard	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Right to Farm Act relating to certain public or private nuisances	7
LB663	Riepe	C	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB664	Riepe	GF	Provide powers and duties for the state medicaid fraud control unit and the Attorney General	
LB665	Riepe	C	Clarify language on rules and regulations under the Employment Security Law	
LB666	Riepe	IPP (>191)	Change provisions of the Employment Security Law	16

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LB667	Hughes	C (>376)	Authorize wholesalers to implement channel pricing under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	11, 16
LB668	Aguiar	C	Authorize mental health professionals and practitioners to take persons into emergency protective custody and provide for a training and certification process	
LB669	Ballard	C (>92)	Provide powers for the Director of Banking and Finance regarding conditions on financial institutions	16
LB670	Hunt	C	Prohibit discrimination under the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act on the basis of gender identity or sexual orientation and prohibit discrimination by employers regardless of size	
LB671	Hansen	IPP (>191)	Allow the Nebraska Training and Support Cash Fund to be used for retention of existing employees of Nebraska businesses	16
LB672	Hansen	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Environment and Energy	
LB673	Hansen	C	Provide grants to schools that adopt a policy to provide emergency response mapping data to law enforcement agencies and provide powers and duties for the State Department of Education and State Board of Education	
LB674	Jacobson	C (>92)	Change provisions relating to digital asset depositories	16
LB675	Day	C	Change provisions relating to elections and identification documents	9
LB676	Day	C	Create the Nebraska Diaper Distribution Grant program	
LB677	Day	C	Create the Nebraska Knowing is Doing Something pilot program	
LB678	Day	C	Change provisions and definitions of the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act relating to disability	
LB679	Day	C	Create the Holocaust and Genocide Education Training Grant Program and provide duties for the State Department of Education, State Board of Education, and Commissioner of Education	10
LB680	Day	C	Change provisions of the Parkinson's Disease Registry Act	
LB681	Clements	C (>818)	Change provisions relating to a fund and provide for transfers under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	6, 11, 14, 19
LB682	Vargas	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB683	Transportation & Telecommunications	S (+63, 122, 124, 155, 359, 412, 722)	Change provisions relating to the County Bridge Match Program, the Highway Cash Fund, the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund, the Roads Operations Cash Fund, the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act, the One-Call Notification System Act, and the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act, adopt the Rural Communications Sustainability Act, and create the Nebraska Broadband Office and the Underground Excavation Safety Committee	6, 13, 14, 21
LB683A	Moser	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB684	Briese	IPP (>814)	Provide for a review of services provided by state agencies	
LB684A	Briese	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB685	Briese	C	Rename, transfer, and change provisions relating to the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act, transfer powers from the Department of Revenue to the State Racing and Gaming Commission, provide a tax on cash devices, and eliminate provisions relating to the power to tax under the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act	
LB686	Walz	C	Adopt the Cities of the First Class Firefighters Cash Balance Retirement Act	
LB687	M. Cavanaugh	C	Create the Nebraska Integrated Juvenile Data Governing Body and the Nebraska Integrated Juvenile Data and Information System	
LB688	Erdman	GF	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Motor Vehicles	
LB689	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to an income tax credit for community college taxes paid	
LB690	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to powers and duties of the State Department of Education, State Board of Education, and Commissioner of Education	
LB691	Linehan	IPP	Require the city or owner of a fixed rail or streetcar system to pay project-related costs for utilities	
LB692	Linehan	C (>727)	Adopt the Good Life Transformational Projects Act and change the sales tax rate	20
LB693	Linehan	IPP	Require an authority under the Community Development Law to pay project-related costs for utility work for a fixed rail or streetcar system	
LB694	Linehan	C	Provide for a sales and use tax exemption for certain machinery and equipment related to broadband communications services	
LB695	Linehan	C	Provide a property tax exemption	
LB696	Conrad	C	Provide for legislative oversight of the settlement funds administered by the Attorney General	
LB697	Conrad	C (>727)	Change the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act	20
LB698	Murman	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to residency for enrollment in a public college or university	18

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LB699	Murman	C	Change the valuation of certain real property for purposes of taxes levied by school districts	
LB700	Murman	C	Remove redundant language relating to the community college system	
LB701	Murman	C	Change legislative intent provisions under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB702	Murman	C	Change provisions relating to educational service units	
LB703	Murman	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to the University of Nebraska	18
LB704	Murman	C (>727)	Provide for distribution of certain account balances upon death under the achieving a better life experience program	18, 20
LB705	Murman	S (+153, 201, 222, 356, 372, 385, 414, 516, 519, 520, 585, 603, 632, 647, 648, 698, 703, 708, 724, 762, 774, 787, 805)	Provide, change, transfer, and eliminate provisions relating to education	19, 22
LB705A	Murman	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB706	Moser	IPP (>727)	Authorize the issuance of highway bonds under the Nebraska Highway Bond Act	8, 20
LB707	Dungan	GF	Provide for grants to cities of the primary class from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund	
LB708	Arch	IPP (>705)	Require the Office of Probation Administration, the State Court Administrator, the State Department of Education, and the Department of Health and Human Services to enter into a memorandum of understanding for the sharing of data regarding data relevant to students who are under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court	18
LB709	Wishart	IPP	Create the Convention and Event Center Capital Construction Program	5
LB710	Dungan	C	Change provisions of the Credit Union Act	
LB711	Armendariz	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Uniform Trust Code	5
LB712	Hardin	IPP (>814)	Create the Ground Based Strategic Deterrent Deployment Fund	8
LB713	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide a correctional forecasting tool for the Committee on Justice Reinvestment Oversight	
LB714	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act	
LB715	J. Cavanaugh	C	Require the Governor to apply for emergency rental assistance under the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021	
LB716	J. Cavanaugh	GF	Change provisions relating to licensure, registration, and state inspection fees under the State Electrical Act	
LB717	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for criminal prosecutions of persons under fourteen years of age for murder in the first or second degree and change jurisdiction under the Nebraska Juvenile Code	
LB718	Dover	C	Appropriate funds to the Nebraska Arts Council	
LB719	Dover	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB720	Dover	C	Change provisions relating to child support liens	
LB721	Ballard	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Transportation for the East Beltway project in Lancaster County	9
LB722	Bostelman	IPP (>683)	Provide authority for the Public Service Commission regarding construction of broadband or other telecommunications infrastructure	6, 14
LB723	Bostelman	C (>565)	Adopt the Public Water and Natural Resources Project Contracting Act	5, 15, 21
LB724	Vargas	IPP (>705)	Eliminate certain basic skill and content test requirements for eligibility for teaching certificates	18
LB725	Dungan	C	Change provisions relating to electric companies and electric cooperative corporations	
LB726	Dungan	C	Adopt the Nebraska Electric Consumer Right to Transparency and Local Control Act	

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LB727	Linehan	S (+4, 74, 96, 97, 100, 118, 180, 300, 344, 384, 407,447, 491, 495, 505, 524, 529, 580, 584, 622, 623, 692, 697, 704, 706, 732, 756, 809)	Change provisions relating to revenue and taxation	20, 21, 22
LB727A	Linehan	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB728	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to registration of trailers under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act	
LB729	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to the Jobs and Economic Development Initiative Fund	
LB730	Holdcroft	C	Adopt the Fair Access to Financial Services Act	
LB731	Brewer	GF	Provide for service by state agency department heads in reserve components of the armed forces of the United States	
LB732	Bostar	C (>727)	Change provisions of the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act	20
LB733	Bostar	C	Adopt the Broadband Pole Placement and Undergrounding Fund Act	
LB734	Bostar	C	Provide an enhanced penalty for damage to certain infrastructure facilities resulting in serious bodily injury or death	
LB735	Blood	C	Create a work group and establish the Nebraska Stewardship Program under the Nebraska Apiary Act	
LB736	Raybould	C	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB737	Raybould	C	Provide a contribution limit for candidate committees under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB738	Raybould	IPP (>138)	Change provisions in the Nebraska Rules of the Road relating to electric bicycles	14
LB739	Raybould	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB740	Vargas	IPP (>562)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Pure Food Act	19
LB741	Vargas	C (>814)	State intent to transfer money and appropriate funds relating to housing	10, 18
LB742	Vargas	C	Change provisions relating to registration to vote and voting under the Election Act	
LB743	Kauth	C	Adopt the Investment Neutrality in Public Funds Act	
LB744	Erdman	C (>818)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Game and Parks Commission	
LB745	M. Cavanaugh	C	Increase the cigarette tax and provide for distribution of the proceeds	
LB746	M. Cavanaugh	C	Restrict the use of tax-increment financing	
LB747	M. Cavanaugh	C	Provide an income tax credit for renters and change provisions relating to a property tax credit	
LB748	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Persons with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Assistance Act	
LB749	M. Cavanaugh	C	Prohibit possession of deadly weapons in the State Capitol or on State Capitol grounds	11
LB750	Albrecht	C	Change provisions relating to the valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land	
LB751	M. Cavanaugh	W	Create a fund to provide state aid for public education	
LB752	M. Cavanaugh	C	Prohibit discrimination in employment by any entity receiving state funding	
LB753	Linehan	S	Adopt the Opportunity Scholarships Act and provide tax credits	5, 10, 21
LB753A	Linehan	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB754	Linehan	S (+38, 206, 318, 641)	Adopt the Child Care Tax Credit Act and change provisions relating to the School Readiness Tax Credit Act and income tax rates	5, 13, 14, 19, 21
LB754A	Linehan	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB755	Vargas	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Labor	
LB756	Vargas	C (>727)	Change the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act	
LB757	DeBoer	IPP (>157)	Change requirements for applications under the Nebraska Crime Victim's Reparations Act	21
LB758	DeBoer	C	Create the Sexual Violence Review Act	
LB759	DeBoer	C	Provide for notification of the pending expiration of a protection order	
LB760	DeBoer	C	Provide for the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice to create a victim advocate grant program	
LB761	DeBoer	C (>814)	Appropriate funds to the Supreme Court for the Office of Public Guardian	

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LB762	DeBoer	IPP (>705)	Provide powers and duties to the State Department of Education relating to a teacher apprenticeship program	18
LB763	DeBoer	C (>814)	Adopt the Emergency Food Assistance Act	
LB764	Lippincott	C	Change provisions relating to selection of and ballots cast by presidential electors	11
LB765	DeKay	IPP (>227)	Change, provide, and eliminate definitions, powers, and duties under the Statewide Trauma System Act	16
LB766	DeKay	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Environment and Energy for reverse osmosis systems	11
LB767	DeKay	C	Increase the indigent defense court filing fee	
LB768	DeKay	C (>814)	Transfer money from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Critical Infrastructure Facilities Cash Fund	11
LB769	Holdcroft	IPP (>814)	Authorize use of the Critical Infrastructure Facilities Cash Fund to develop a sewer system	15
LB769A	Holdcroft	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB770	M. Cavanaugh	C	Require the Secretary of State to audit the offices of the Department of Motor Vehicles, the election commissioners, and the county clerks and all polling places for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act	
LB771	Sanders	GF	Provide for the Department of Veterans' Affairs to award grants to qualifying postsecondary institutions	
LB772	Hughes	IPP (>814)	Create the Residential Youth Parenting Facility Grant Program	19
LB773	Vargas	C	Require voter approval of taxes on wireless services	
LB774	Vargas	IPP (>705)	Change provisions relating to the Student Discipline Act	18
LB775	Lowe	S (+72, 73, 232, 544)	Change provisions relating to horseracing, the Nebraska Bingo Act, the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act, the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act, and the Nebraska Visitors Development Act	11, 14, 16
LB776	Bostar	C	Provide for nomination and election of candidates on the nonpartisan ballot	
LB777	Bostar	C	Change provisions of the Automatic License Plate Reader Privacy Act	
LB778	Bostar	C	Change the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure and Regulation Act	
LB779	Bostar	C (>92)	Limit the amount an insured pays for prescription insulin drugs	6, 16
LB780	Halloran	W	Provide state funding to cover the education costs of certain students if an educational facility for handicapped students closes	
LB781	Halloran	W	State intent to appropriate funds to the State Department of Education	
LB782	DeKay	C	Change provisions relating to salvage branded certificates of title and consumer care of motor vehicles	
LB783	Murman	C (>243)	Eliminate the levy authority of community college areas	5, 14
LB784	McKinney	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB785	McKinney	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Economic Development	
LB786	McKinney	C	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB787	Wayne	IPP (>705)	Adopt the STEEM Development Act	18
LB787A	Wayne	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB788	Wayne	C	Designate the Nebraska State Patrol as the agency to investigate criminal activity within Department of Correctional Services correctional facilities	
LB789	Wayne	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	10
LB790	Wayne	W	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	
LB791	Wayne	C	Appropriate funds to the Commission on African American Affairs	
LB792	Wayne	GF (>814)	Provide for a pilot program for assessing and treating post traumatic stress disorder	8, 18
LB793	Wayne	C	Provide duties for judges relating to problem solving courts	
LB794	Wayne	C	Adopt the Nursing Incentives Scholarship Act	
LB795	Wayne	C	Provide immunity for administration of naloxone or other federally approved opioid antagonists	
LB796	Wayne	IPP (>138)	Provide for the Department of Transportation to develop and administer a safety oversight program for rail transit systems	14
LB797	Wayne	C	Change provisions of the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act	
LB798	Vargas	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB799	DeBoer	S (+81, 260, 426)	Change judges' salaries, judgeships in county courts and the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Court, and provisions relating to the Supreme Court and the College of Law	15, 20
LB799A	DeBoer	S	Appropriation Bill	

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LB800	Murman	GF	Change provisions relating to the Superintendent Pay Transparency Act and provide a limit for superintendent and educational service unit administrator compensation	
LB801	Vargas	C (>814)	State intent to transfer money to the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Fund and the Affordable Housing Trust Fund	
LB802	Vargas	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska	
LB803	von Gillern	GF	Change provisions of the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	
LB804	von Gillern	C	Change corporate income tax rates	5
LB805	von Gillern	IPP (>705)	Require schools to allow certain youth organizations to provide information, services, and activities	18
LB806	von Gillern	C	Change individual income tax rates	5
LB807	von Gillern	C	Provide for one license plate per vehicle	
LB808	Halloran	C	Provide for counting and recounting ballots under the Election Act by hand count	12
LB809	Murman	C (>727)	Change limitations on applications under the Nebraska Advantage Rural Development Act	
LB810	Murman	C	Adopt the Medical Ethics and Diversity Act	
LB811	Murman	C	Change provisions relating to the Student Discipline Act and provide for use of physical contact or physical restraint or removal from a class in response to student behavior, provide for behavioral awareness and intervention training, and change provisions relating to lottery funds used for education	9
LB812	Clements	C (>814)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services	
LB813	Arch	S	Provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to appropriations	18, 19, 20
LB814	Arch	S (+80, 112, 114, 176, 275, 323, 361, 433, 470, 506, 511, 539, 571, 573, 578, 608, 609, 610, 613, 615, 654, 684, 712, 719, 739, 741, 761, 763, 768, 769, 772, 785, 792, 801, 802, 812, 817)	Appropriate funds for the expenses of Nebraska State Government for the biennium ending June 30, 2025, and appropriate Federal Funds allocated to the State of Nebraska pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021	18, 19, 20, 21, 22
LB815	Arch	S	Appropriate funds for salaries of members of the Legislature	15, 20
LB816	Arch	S	Appropriate funds for salaries of constitutional officers	15, 20
LB817	Arch	C (>814)	Appropriate funds for capital construction	18
LB818	Arch	S (+125, 281, 547, 681, 744, 819)	Provide for transfers of funds, create funds, and change and eliminate provisions regarding the sources, uses, and transfers of funds	18, 19, 20, 21, 22
LB819	Arch	C (>818)	Change provisions relating to the Cash Reserve Fund	
LB820	Albrecht	C	Adopt the Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act	5
LR1CA	Blood	GF	Constitutional amendment to require the Legislature to reimburse political subdivisions as prescribed	
LR2CA	Erdman	C	Constitutional amendments to change from a unicameral legislature to a bicameral legislature, provide for election of members of the Legislature on a partisan ballot, require election of legislative officers and committee chairpersons by a public vote, and require all meetings of the Legislature to be open to the public	10
LR3CA	J. Cavanaugh	C	Constitutional amendment to provide for nonpartisan nomination and election of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, and State Treasurer	
LR4CA	M. Cavanaugh	C	Constitutional amendment to remove felony convictions other than treason from being a disqualification for voting	

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LR5	Blood	C	Legislative Resolution to ratify an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to regulation of child labor	
LR6CA	Erdman	C	Constitutional amendment to prohibit governmental entities from imposing any taxes other than retail consumption taxes and excise taxes	
LR7CA	Erdman	C	Constitutional amendment to require the state to impose a consumption tax or an excise tax on all new goods and services and to provide a tax exemption for grocery items	
LR14CA	Briese	GF	Constitutional amendment to provide for recall of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Attorney General, or Auditor of Public Accounts or a member of the Legislature	
LR17CA	McKinney	C	Constitutional amendment to prohibit the death penalty	11
LR18CA	Hunt	C	Constitutional amendment to protect the right to reproductive freedom	11
LR19CA	Hunt	C	Constitutional amendment to protect the right to reproductive freedom and prohibit the state from taking adverse action for exercising or assisting in the exercise of such right	11
LR20CA	Conrad	C	Constitutional amendment to protect the right of individual privacy	
LR21	Brewer	C	Provide for a special committee of the Legislature to be known as the Small Modular Nuclear Reactor Study Committee	
LR22CA	Dover	GF	Constitutional amendment to change legislative term limits to three consecutive terms	9
LR23CA	Riepe	C	Constitutional amendment to prohibit the levying of an inheritance tax	11
LR24CA	Albrecht	C	Constitutional amendment to eliminate the State Board of Education and provide for the Governor to appoint the Commissioner of Education	
LR26CA	Day	C	Constitutional amendment to remove provisions regarding marriage from the Constitution of Nebraska	
LR27CA	McKinney	C	Constitutional amendment to change provisions relating to pardons and the Board of Pardons and to create the Board of Commutation	
LR28CA	Linehan	C	Constitutional amendment to change the membership of the State Board of Education	
LR29CA	Linehan	C	Constitutional amendment to provide term limits for the members of the State Board of Education	
LR30CA	Murman	C	Constitutional amendment to provide for a different method of taxing commercial real property	
LR31	Halloran	C	Resolution to rescind a prior resolution and apply to Congress for a convention of the states to propose amendments to the United States Constitution	
LR84	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine different methods to address concerns raised by restaurant, bar, craft brewery, microdistillery, and farm winery owners relating to receiving shipments of alcoholic liquor	
LR97	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine revenue and other funding options for the Nebraska Tourism Commission	
LR98	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the General Affairs Committee	
LR100	DeBoer	C	Interim study to examine future needs of Nebraska's correctional system and potential opportunities arising from decommissioning the Nebraska State Penitentiary	
LR103	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine entertainment district licenses issued under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LR104	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine statutes relating to the State Racing and Gaming Commission and its members	
LR105	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine and review occupational licenses and regulations under the State Electrical Act	
LR106	Halloran	C	Interim study to examine interests in agricultural lands in Nebraska held by foreign individuals, business entities, and governments	
LR118	Slama	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements in the Nebraska Real Estate License Act for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR119	Slama	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements in the Collection Agency Act for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR120	Slama	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements in the Abstracters Act for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR121	Slama	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for the business of debt management found in sections 69-1201 to 69-1217 for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR122	Slama	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee	
LR123	Banking, Commerce & Insurance	C	Interim study to examine the economic impact of manufacturing and processing in Nebraska and to examine the role advanced manufacturing and smart technologies can play in increasing productivity and economic growth	

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LR124	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine the scope of collateral consequences of criminal law violations in Nebraska in employment, housing, licensure, and other categories	
LR125	Conrad	C	Interim study to review juvenile justice involvement for youth who are excessively absent or truant from school	
LR126	Wayne	C	Interim study to review efforts to evaluate the classification system of the Department of Correctional Services and the delivery of clinical and nonclinical programs to its incarcerated population	
LR127	DeBoer	C	Interim study to conduct a comprehensive examination of court fees as a funding source for the court system and the judicial branch	
LR128	DeBoer	C	Interim study to investigate the ability of the Nebraska Crime Victim's Reparations Act to properly serve victims	
LR129	DeKay	C	Interim study to examine the shortage of sports officials in Nebraska registered by the Nebraska School Activities Association	
LR130	Ballard	C	Interim study to examine the potential construction of the proposed East Beltway administered jointly by the city of Lincoln and Lancaster County	
LR132	Blood	C	Interim study to examine the plausibility of the State of Nebraska becoming a participant in the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact	
LR133	Bostelman	C	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the Natural Resources Committee	
LR134	J. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to review landlord-tenant law to determine whether reforms similar to Laws 2021, LB320, can be enacted to further protect and empower victims and survivors and their dependents	
LR135	Brandt	C	Interim study to create a Select Committee to examine the current use of technology in the Legislature and to identify ways to improve it	
LR136	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the critical role federally qualified health centers play in expanding access to health care in Nebraska	
LR137	Bostar	C	Interim study to examine whether legislation should be enacted to provide for comprehensive regulation of the business practices of pharmacy benefit managers	
LR138	McKinney	C	Interim study to examine the meaning of affordable housing in Nebraska	
LR139	McKinney	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for home inspectors for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR140	McKinney	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Urban Affairs Committee	
LR141	McKinney	C	Interim study to examine the reports received under the Municipal Density and Missing Middle Housing Act	
LR142	Day	C	Interim study to examine Nebraska's policies relating to veterans and the competitiveness of Nebraska for veterans and current service members when choosing where to live after retirement	
LR143	Brewer	C	Interim study to review applicable court precedent related to the Nebraska Indian Child Welfare Act to determine whether a legislative response is appropriate to clarify the law	
LR144	Erdman	C	Interim study to examine the subject of school choice where all education funding is distributed on a per-student basis and follows the student to the school of choice	
LR145	Conrad	C	Interim study to explore the role of both the State of Nebraska and individual school districts in finding solutions to address the impact of the inability of students to afford menstrual products	
LR147	Murman	C	Interim study relating to parental involvement in public schools	
LR148	Murman	C	Interim study to examine the use of federal funds from the federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund and the use of the Launch Nebraska website	
LR149	Murman	C	Interim study related to social-emotional learning in the classroom	
LR150	DeBoer	C	Interim study to examine the gap in services such as emergency shelters and transitional housing for individuals experiencing domestic violence and human trafficking	
LR151	DeBoer	C	Interim study to examine the results of the Nebraska Child Care Cost Model developed as a product of the Preschool Development Grant	
LR152	Hughes	C	Interim study to examine all factors that may impact a school district's ability to attract and retain qualified superintendents and administrators	
LR153	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the fiscal impact of statutory tuition and fee waivers for various constituencies on Nebraska's public university, state colleges, and community colleges	
LR154	Day	C	Interim study to examine Nebraska's maternal care deserts	
LR155	Day	C	Interim study to examine Nebraska's disability classifications for the homestead exemption	
LR156	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the firefighting response to wildfires in Nebraska	
LR157	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the retirement systems administered by the Public Employees Retirement Board	

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LR158	McDonnell	C	Interim study to carry out the provisions of section 13-2402, which requires the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee to monitor underfunded defined benefit plans	
LR159	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the retirement system for firefighters of cities of the first class and the creation of a cash balance retirement system	
LR160	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the retirement system for firefighters of cities of the first class and the changes proposed in LB406, 2023	
LR161	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System and the changes proposed in LB196, 2023	
LR162	Bostelman	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Game and Parks Commission	
LR163	Hughes	C	Interim study to examine opportunities to increase recycling of municipal solid waste	
LR164	Dorn	C	Interim study on improving the handicapped accessibility of parking, entryways, and interior spaces around the Nebraska State Capitol	
LR165	Kauth	P	Recognize the week of May 14 through May 20, 2023, as Skilled Nursing Care Week in Nebraska	
LR166	Walz	C	Interim study to examine the impact of government-imposed mandates on school districts	
LR167	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine the long-term fiscal sustainability of and how to best direct funding towards the most effective uses of Nebraska's federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds	
LR168	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine the impact on the services provided to eligible recipients of and how to best use Nebraska's federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds	
LR169	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine the long-term fiscal sustainability of the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund	
LR170	Dungan	C	Interim study to assess and examine whether student journalists and student journalism is supported and promoted in public high schools and postsecondary institutions and free from censorship and inappropriate government interference	
LR171	Jacobson	C	Interim study to examine the cost and needed frequency of rebasing medicaid inpatient per diem rates for psychiatric facilities, hospital-based psychiatric units, and psychiatric residential facilities	
LR172	Vargas	C	Interim study to examine the occupation taxes imposed on wireless telecommunications services	
LR174	Riepe	C	Interim study to examine issues raised in LB335, 2023, relating to the impact health care staffing agencies have on the delivery of health care services	
LR175	Ballard	C	Interim study to determine the impact on commerce, commercial and economic activity, and the community by having a United States Postal Service office in the West Haymarket area of downtown Lincoln	
LR176	Ballard	C	Interim study to examine the Nebraska Right to Farm Act in comparison to similar laws in other states that rely on agriculture and recruitment of agriculture-related businesses as a significant portion of the economy	
LR178	Brewer	C	Interim study to create a Select Committee to examine the feasibility of constructing and operating small modular nuclear reactors to generate electric power in Nebraska	
LR179	Arch	C	Interim study to review the laws, procedures, rules and regulations, and general standards of practice related to the public's participation in the legislative process in a representative form of government	
LR180	Slama	C	Interim study to examine the Nebraska Trust Company Act and other Nebraska statutes related to trust companies	
LR181	Slama	C	Interim study to examine the insurance statutes of the State of Nebraska with specific emphasis on the impact of the insurance industry on tort reform and related matters	
LR182	Clements	C	Interim study to examine the long-term fiscal sustainability of the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund	
LR183	Clements	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Committee	
LR184	Moser	C	Interim study to examine the deployment of broadband services within the State of Nebraska	
LR185	Moser	C	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee	
LR186	Albrecht	C	Interim study to examine issues raised in LB820, 2023, relating to valuation of land in Nebraska	
LR188	Briese	C	Interim study to examine issues related to the committee system of the Legislature and the referencing of legislative bills by the Reference Committee of the Legislature	
LR189	Day	C	Interim study to examine issues regarding potholes and road maintenance in Nebraska municipalities	

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LR190	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine streamlining communications on rule and regulation changes proposed by the Department of Health and Human Services relating to the medical assistance program	
LR191	Ibach	C	Interim study to examine the process for conducting the statutorily required fingerprint-based national criminal history record information check for the child care workforce pursuant to section 71-1912	
LR192	Linehan	C	Interim study to examine the relationship between joint public agencies and public education matters	
LR193	McDonnell	C	Interim study to research and explore employee privacy concerns related to digital tracking in nonemergency situations	
LR194	McDonnell	C	Interim study to research, through collaboration among various stakeholders, ways to address juvenile justice reform	
LR195	McDonnell	C	Interim study to conduct a comprehensive examination of Nebraska's state highway system and the priorities and resource allocation methods for the system	
LR196	McDonnell	C	Interim study to review ways to eliminate or reduce the current waiting list for services that adults with developmental disabilities experience	
LR197	McDonnell	C	Interim study to conduct a comprehensive examination of the need for Nebraska to foster development of large industrial and commercial business sites	
LR198	McDonnell	C	Interim study to explore support and supplemental funding for public and nonprofit providers of emergency medical services	
LR199	McDonnell	C	Interim study to research, through collaboration among stakeholders, ways to address youth and adult behavioral health issues	
LR200	Clements	C	Interim study to examine the progress and ability to expend Federal Funds allocated to the State of Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund	
LR201	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine mental health and addiction issues within the Nebraska criminal and juvenile justice systems and options to increase services and alternatives to current responses of the criminal and juvenile justice systems	
LR202	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine the mental and behavioral health care needs of Nebraskans	
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LR204	DeBoer	C	Interim study to investigate whether the Office of Public Guardian is able to serve the State of Nebraska effectively	
LR205	DeBoer	C	Interim study to seek out information relating to common issues affecting tenants and landlords in Nebraska	
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LR207	J. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to examine circumstances regarding an individual's release from covered correctional facilities	
LR208	Dorn	C	Interim study to examine the current funding mechanisms and operations of Nebraska's Mesonet system	
LR209	McKinney	C	Interim study to review the death penalty in Nebraska	
LR210	McKinney	C	Interim study to examine the emigration of skilled and educated individuals out of the State of Nebraska	
LR211	Ballard	C	Interim study to examine the statewide availability of assisted-living memory care for individuals with Alzheimer's disease or other dementia and the accessibility of this type of care for medicaid beneficiaries	
LR212	Halloran	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Agriculture Committee	
LR213	Ibach	C	Interim study to review how the State of Nebraska can assist licensed hospitals in converting to the rural emergency hospital designation under the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021	
LR214	Ibach	C	Interim study to examine the possibility of the creation of an intrastate airline to assist with statewide travel	
LR215	Dungan	C	Interim study to examine the judicial inefficiency and increased costs to the state arising from Nebraska's four separate statutory-based mechanisms for postconviction relief	
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LR217	Bosn	C	Interim study to examine transitional housing for parolees or justice-involved individuals in Nebraska	

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LR223	Brewer	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for notaries public for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR224	Brewer	C	Interim study to examine laws governing the ring-necked pheasant upland game bird in hopes of improving the population of the species	
LR225	Riepe	C	Interim study to determine ways to incentivize the growth in the number of apprenticeship programs and youth apprenticeship participants in Nebraska	
LR226	Aguilar	C	Interim study regarding dental offices sharing information with patients on the chance of patients getting infections in artificial body parts due to dental cleanings	
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LR238	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the location of recreational vehicle parks, entertainment venues, and other recreational development and the impact of zoning regulations related to flooding on locating such facilities	
LR239	McDonnell	C	Interim study to explore the feasibility and benefits of requiring wireless interconnected fire alarms in residential dwellings, similar to an ordinance passed by the city of Norfolk, to enhance fire safety and early warning systems for residents	
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LR242	Jacobson	C	Interim study to examine methods to promote the development of a competitive electric vehicle charging market in Nebraska and the creation of electric infrastructure to support such market	
LR243	Sanders	C	Interim study to examine tax incentives for the film industry in Nebraska	
LR244	Day	C	Interim study to examine guardianship in Nebraska	
LR245	Vargas	C	Interim study to examine juvenile detention costs and necessary updates to the juvenile detention facility standards or the Nebraska Juvenile Code	
LR246	Linehan	C	Interim study to research the Metropolitan Omaha Educational Consortium	
LR247	J. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to examine issues raised in LB133, 2023, relating to laws regarding the use of eminent domain by state agencies, boards, commissions, and other political subdivisions	

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LR251	Dover	C	Interim study to explore the development of registered apprenticeship program sponsors within Nebraska's education system for early childhood care and education	
LR252	Health & Human Services	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Health and Human Services Committee	
LR274	Judiciary	C	Interim study to examine the structure of criminal prosecution in Nebraska	

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