

The image shows a grand, ornate interior of a legislative chamber. The space is characterized by high ceilings with intricate architectural details, including large arches and decorative moldings. Several large, multi-tiered chandeliers hang from the ceiling, casting a warm, golden light. The floor is highly polished and reflects the light from the chandeliers. In the background, a balcony with a decorative railing is visible, and a large, bright window or opening is at the far end of the hall. The overall atmosphere is one of historical grandeur and formal elegance.

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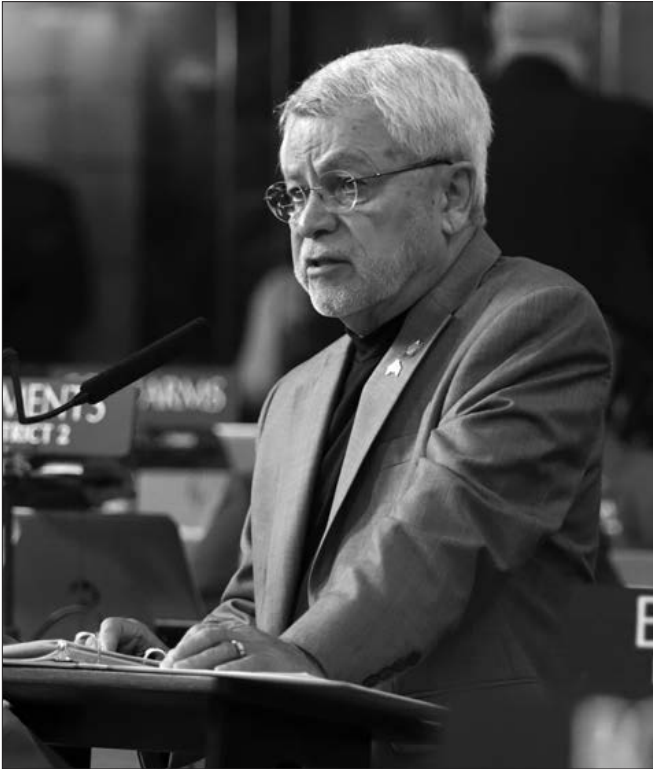
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# AGRICULTURE



Sen. Steve Halloran, chairperson of the Agriculture Committee

The Agriculture Committee advanced measures this session to provide incentives for reducing nitrogen use in Nebraska farming practices, transfer state regulation of hemp cultivation back to the U.S. Department of Agriculture and modernize restrictions on foreign land ownership.

LB1368, introduced by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, establishes a nitrogen reduction incentive program to be overseen by the state Department of Natural Resources. The program will provide an annual incentive of \$10 per acre to qualified farmers who verify a reduction in commercial fertilizer rates of either 40 pounds per acre or 15% by incorporating a qualifying product into the farm's nutrient plans.



Sen. Teresa Ibach

The program is funded through the newly created Nitrogen Reduction Incentive Cash Fund, which will receive a one-time transfer of \$1 million from the Water Resources Cash Fund and \$100,000 in general funds in fiscal year

2024-25 and FY2025-26. The department may apply for additional state, federal or private grant funding.

The measure includes provisions of Columbus Sen. Mike Moser's LB1199, which eliminate certain fees collected by the department for performing administrative duties, including those for particular surface and groundwater use permit applications.



Sen. Mike Moser

LB1368 passed on a vote of 42-0.

LB1301, introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay on behalf of Gov. Jim Pillen and passed 46-0, adds several conditions to the right of foreign individuals or foreign-owned companies to own land in the state.



Sen. Barry DeKay

Under the bill, individuals and entities are subject to greater scrutiny and restrictions on land ownership in Nebraska if they are on the sanctions list maintained by the federal Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Additionally, individuals determined by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce as having engaged in a long-term pattern or serious instances of conduct significantly adverse to U.S. national security also could be restricted in their ability to own land.

Among other provisions, LB1301 also allows individuals to report suspected foreign ownership of land by a restricted entity. The state Department of Agriculture must investigate suspected violations and refer them to the state attorney general or, if necessary, retain outside counsel.

The court may terminate a lease that is in violation of the measure and the state may sell any real estate acquired under the bill's divestment provisions.

Lawmakers also approved a bill clarifying how seed corn companies solicit contract labor for roguing and detasseling in Nebraska.

LB844, introduced by Bayard Sen. Steve Erdman, directs the state Department of Agriculture to maintain a registry of local detasseling contractors and share that information with seed corn producers.



Sen. Steve Erdman

Beginning Jan. 1, 2025, any producer who wishes to hire detasseling and roguing labor must file a notarized report with the department containing the number of acres of hybrid seed corn produced, among other relevant information. Individual reports are not subject to disclosure under the Public Records Act but the department must publish an annual report of data

aggregated from reports filed by seed producers.

Lawmakers passed LB844 on a 45-0 vote.

Under LB1313, introduced by Sen. Robert Dover of Norfolk, health benefit plans that are sponsored by certain non-profit agricultural organizations and provide benefits under a self-funded arrangement administered by a licensed third-party administrator are not subject to insurance regulation.



Sen. Robert Dover

An organization sponsoring a plan must have been created primarily to promote programs for the development of rural communities and the economic stability of Nebraska farmers, among several other requirements.

Before providing health benefits, an organization must file a certification with the state Department of Insurance verifying that the organization meets the bill's requirements.

LB1313 passed on a 45-0 vote.

A bill intended to provide financial assistance to small, locally owned grocery stores did not advance from committee this session. LB1116, introduced by Ibach, would have adopted the Grocer Reinvestment Option Act to provide loans and grants to small, Nebraska owned grocery and convenience stores located in low- to moderate-income communities.

## Omnibus bill

LB262, introduced by the committee as a cleanup bill in 2023, served as an omnibus measure for the 2024 session. The bill defines and combines terms within the Nebraska Pure Food Act to help clarify permitting categories, adopt standards for use of bottled water consistent with the federal Food and Drug Administration Food Code and add additional options to qualify to serve as a food inspector.

The bill includes provisions of several other measures considered by the committee.

Provisions of Ibach's LB999 transfer licensure and regulation of hemp cultivation from the state Department of Agriculture to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, beginning Jan. 1, 2025. The provisions also terminate the state Hemp Commission and the Hemp Promotion Fund, and transfer any money in the fund to the state's Noxious Weed Cash Fund.

The state will continue to regulate hemp transportation within Nebraska.

Provisions of Ibach's LB1061 increase the checkoff assessment collected under the Nebraska Corn Resources Act at the time corn enters commercial channels from 0.5 cents per bushel to 1 cent per bushel, beginning Oct. 1. Additionally, the measure reduces the percentage of the Nebraska Corn Board's budgeted expenditures that can be used to influence federal legislation.

Provisions of Hastings Sen. Steve Halloran's LB305 remove the duty and authority of the Nebraska Public Service Commission to establish grain storage rates. Warehouse licensees, however, must prominently post storage rates and related charges on signage issued by the commission.

New license applicants must file a schedule of storage rates and charges with their application. Warehouse licensees can adjust such rates and charges by filing notice with the PSC and all grain owners of record at least 30 days prior to any adjustment taking effect. The provisions also makes it a Class IV misdemeanor to charge storage rates other than, or in addition to, those filed and posted.

LB321, sponsored by Plymouth Sen. Tom Brandt, modifies Nebraska Pure Food Act regulations regarding the cottage food industry, which allow the sale directly to consumers of foods prepared in private homes. The provisions allow producers to sell certain time- and temperature-controlled items, such as cheesecake and cream filled pastries, to consumers in person.



Sen. Tom Brandt

Provisions of LB264, introduced by the committee, make a series of changes to the state Grain Dealer Act and Grain Warehouse Act, including revising the definition of "grain" to remove an ambiguity regarding whether grain excludes segregated commodities such as certified organic. The measure also updates grain dealer licensure requirements, including increasing the maximum bonding requirements grain dealers and warehouses must carry to secure obligations to sellers and storers of grain.

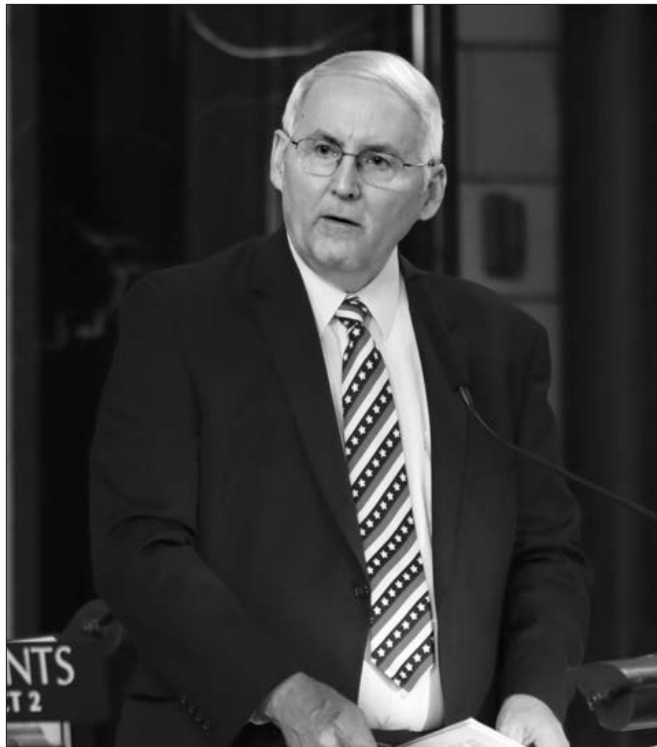
Finally, LB1207, sponsored by Thurston Sen. Joni Albrecht, adds insect production to the definition of agricultural products for purposes of the Agricultural Marketing Act.



Sen. Joni Albrecht

LB262 passed on a 47-0 vote. ■

# APPROPRIATIONS



Sen. Robert Clements, chairperson of the Appropriations Committee

Lawmakers made adjustments to the state's two-year budget, approved a number of claims against the state and authorized millions in state dollars for private school K-12 scholarships this session.

LB1412, introduced by Speaker John Arch of La Vista at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, provides, changes and eliminates appropriations for the operation of state government, postsecondary education, state aid, capital construction and federal funds allocated to the state from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

Included in the bill are provisions of more than a dozen proposals heard by the Appropriations Committee this session, including:

- LB850, sponsored by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, which clarifies that \$10 million in ARPA funds appropriated to the state Department of Economic Development for the Rural Workforce



Sen. John Arch



Sen. Mike Jacobson

Housing Act may be used for other specific types of housing projects administered by the department;

- LB930, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson, which allows an existing \$400,000 annual General Fund appropriation to the University of Nebraska to be used for youth rehabilitation and treatment centers and county correctional facility programs for students studying to become behavioral health professionals;



Sen. John Fredrickson

- LB941, sponsored by Sen. Myron Dorn of Adams, which appropriates \$1.5 million in federal ARPA funds in FY2023-24 to increase to \$67 the daily reimbursement rate for Medicaid assisted-living facilities in rural parts of the state;



Sen. Myron Dorn



Sen. Mike McDonnell

- LB1077, introduced by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, which appropriates \$900,000 in federal ARPA funds in FY2023-24 to the state Department of Labor for workforce development and career readiness grants;

- LB1210, sponsored by Sen. Robert Clements of Elmwood, which appropriates \$1.5 million from the Cash Reserve Fund to the Nebraska Capital Construction Fund for the 5th floor Capitol renovation; and

- LB1289, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, which appropriates \$3 million in general funds in FY2024-25 for a grant to a municipal airport located in a primary class city.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

Lawmakers passed LB1412 on a vote of 42-6 and the bill took effect immediately.

LB1413, also introduced by Arch at the request of the governor, provides for the transfer of funds and creates and changes the use and distribution of funds. The bill authorizes a "sweep" of funds from approximately 20 state agencies, transferring those dollars to the state General Fund.

Among the proposals included in the bill are:

- LB975, introduced by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, which amends the Shovel-Ready Capital Recov-



Sen. Teresa Ibach



ery and Investment Act to include an additional type of qualified nonprofit;

- LB1233, sponsored by Sen. Justin Wayne of Omaha, which authorizes the Game and Parks Commission to award a grant to a federally recognized Indian tribe to construct, develop and manage a museum honoring Chief Standing Bear and transfers \$15.75 million from interest earned on the Perkins County Canal Project Fund to fund the grant; and



Sen. Justin Wayne

- LB1352, introduced by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, which authorizes the state Auditor of Public Accounts to exercise exclusive authority to conduct the Statewide Single Audit for Federal Funds, including ARPA funds.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

LB1413 passed on a 37-8 vote and took effect immediately.

A bill to provide payment for a series of claims against the state and agency write-offs was approved by lawmakers this session.

LB1188, introduced by Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe at the request of the state Department of Administrative Services Risk Management Division, approves \$710,000 in workers' compensation claims. It also approves a number of agency write-offs, including a total of \$1.948 million by the state Department of Labor and \$1.495 million by the state Department of Health and Human Services.



Sen. Merv Riepe

The bill also includes the remaining \$7.45 million to finalize payments to the family of a Kearney man injured when his vehicle was struck by an individual involved in a high-speed chase while fleeing a stop by the Nebraska State Patrol.

LB1188 passed on a 45-0 vote and took effect immediately.

## Other measures

Senators approved a proposal that will provide millions in state dollars to fund private school scholarships.

LB1402, sponsored by Elkhorn Sen. Lou Ann Linehan, requires the state treasurer to establish a program to provide scholarships to eligible students to pay costs associated with

attending a qualified K-12 school.

A qualified school is defined as any nongovernmental, privately operated nonprofit elementary or secondary school that complies with certain federal anti-discrimination provisions and fulfills the applicable accreditation or approval requirements established by the State Board of Education.

The bill appropriates \$10 million in general funds in FY2024-25 and FY2025-26 to the state treasurer to carry out the program. The treasurer may contract with a third party to administer the program and up to 7.5% of the funds appropriated may be used for administrative expenses.

LB1402 outlines eligibility requirements for students and contains a priority ranking system for scholarship distribution. Individual scholarships are limited to 75% of the statewide average general fund expenditure for public school students.

The state treasurer will report annually to the governor and the Legislature regarding the number of scholarships awarded, the number of students currently wait-listed, recipients' demographic data and other information.

LB1402 also repeals the Opportunity Scholarships Act, passed by the Legislature in 2023.

An initial vote on the bill's passage fell one vote short of the 33 needed for it to take effect immediately. Pursuant to the rules of the Legislature, a second vote was taken and LB1402 passed 32-14. The measure will take effect three calendar months after passage as a result.

Two bills related to the use of federal ARPA funds failed to advance from committee this session.

In 2022, the Legislature appropriated \$2.5 million in ARPA funds to the state Department of Health and Human Services to be used to increase the number of behavioral and mental health beds in rural Nebraska. Those dollars were returned to the state because they were insufficient to increase capacity as intended.

LB931, sponsored by Fredrickson, would have re-appropriated the funds to the University of Nebraska Board of Regents for Behavioral Health Education Center of Nebraska initiatives.

LB1079, introduced by McDonnell, would have appropriated \$10 million in ARPA funds to the state Department of Economic Development to contract with the Nebraska Investment Financing Authority to develop units eligible for federal 4% and 9% low-income housing credits. ■



Sen. Lou Ann Linehan

# BANKING, COMMERCE & INSURANCE



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

Expanding coverage for cancer screenings, tightening regulations on land purchase transactions and updating banking regulations were among the issues considered by the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee this session.

## Insurance

LB829, sponsored by Sen. Carol Blood of Bellevue, prohibits insurance plans in Nebraska from charging deductibles, coinsurance or any cost-sharing requirement on a service or item that is an integral part of performing a colorectal cancer screening.

Such services include preparation medications, anesthesia, polyp removal performed during a screening procedure, pathology examinations and specialist consultations.

The bill passed on a 41-5 vote and takes effect Jan. 1, 2025.



Sen. Carol Blood

LB308, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar and passed 43-0, requires 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 is required to complete a number of consumer protection prerequisites before disclosing a consumer's genetic data to third parties. For example, such companies cannot disclose genetic information to any entity offering health, life or long-term care insurance or to an employer without written consent. The measure also requires a process by which consumers can delete their accounts and genetic data.

A measure that would have changed insurance coverage requirements for screening mammography and breast examinations was not advanced from committee.

Under LB1353, sponsored by Sen. Tony Vargas of Omaha, coverage of at least one contrast-enhanced mammogram would have been included in insurance coverage. The bill also would have required coverage of additional mammograms if necessary for women 40 or older.



Sen. Eliot Bostar



Sen. Tony Vargas

## Omnibus bill

Lawmakers passed an omnibus measure that makes a number of changes to insurance regulation and real estate law in Nebraska.

As introduced by Dunbar Sen. Julie Slama, LB1073 eliminates a requirement that at least one operations review of a third-party administrator within a semiannual review period be conducted onsite. The bill instead gives the director of the state Department of Insurance discretion to require an onsite evaluation if deemed necessary.

The bill contains the provisions of eleven other measures considered by the committee this session.

Provisions of LB446, sponsored by Bostar, provide a regulatory framework for peer-to-peer vehicle sharing in Nebraska and determine the priority of insurance liability. They require that the owner and driver be insured under a motor vehicle liability insurance policy during each sharing period and specify what such a policy must include.

Also sponsored by Bostar, the provisions of LB885 create a lung cancer screening mandate for individuals between 50 and 80 years of age who currently smoke or who quit within the past 15 years and had a 20-pack per

year smoking history. The provisions prohibit a deductible, coinsurance or cost-sharing requirement for qualified individuals.

Provisions of LB1136, sponsored by Norfolk Sen. Robert Dover, increase the maximum civil fine that the state Real Estate Commission may impose on an individual performing brokerage activities in Nebraska without a license. The provisions raise the cap from \$2,500 per complaint to \$5,000 or the total amount of commission earned by the licensee in each transaction subject to a complaint, whichever amount is greater.



Sen. Robert Dover

Also included in the measure are:

- LB873, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Beau Ballard, which increases from \$500 to \$5,000 the amount of “good funds” a person acting as a real estate closing agent must have available for disbursement at the time of closing a real estate transaction;
- LB990, introduced by Bostar, which alters the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure and Regulation Act;
- LB1024, also sponsored by Bostar, which changes provisions related to documents and information provided to an independent review organization under the Health Carrier External Review Act;
- LB1135, introduced by Dover, which prohibits use of right-to-list home sale agreements and changes provisions of the Nebraska Real Estate License Act;
- LB1147, sponsored by Bostar, which provides requirements for separate investment accounts that hold assets of index-linked variable annuity contracts;
- LB1148, introduced by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen, which changes requirements relating to insurance coverage of step therapy for certain drugs;
- LB1227, sponsored by Ballard, which allows a professional employer organization to offer its covered employees any health benefit plan that meets the requirements of the Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangement Act and the federal Employee Retirement Income Security Act; and



Sen. Beau Ballard



Sen. Ben Hansen

- LB1409, introduced by Bostar, which changes provisions of the Nebraska Condominium Act related to notification requirements regarding the subdivision of a unit, creation of timeshares or proposed amendment to a declaration that adversely affects the priority of the mortgagee’s right to foreclose its lien or otherwise materially affects the rights and interests of the mortgagee or beneficiary.

LB1073 passed on a 44-0 vote and took effect immediately.

## Other measures

A bill that requires an affidavit for real property purchases near sensitive military areas in Nebraska was approved this session.

LB1120, introduced by Gering Sen. Brian Hardin, requires purchasers of real property that is designated as “covered real estate” under federal law to swear an affidavit stating that they are not affiliated with any foreign government or adversary.



Sen. Brian Hardin

Responsibility for determining whether an affidavit is required rests solely with the purchaser and no individual or entity other than the purchaser will bear civil or criminal liability relating to an affidavit under the bill’s provisions.

Affidavits will be submitted to the register of deeds who will send a copy to the state attorney general. A falsely sworn affidavit is a misdemeanor offense.

The bill passed on a 45-0 vote.

LB1074, introduced by Slama at the request of the state Department of Banking and Finance, amends various areas of state law and the Uniform Commercial Code by adopting updates to federal law relating to banking and finance. The bill also changes provisions relating to credit union examinations, receivership bonds and remedies under the Commodity Code.

The measure includes LB1075, also introduced by Slama, which changes provisions of the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act, Nebraska Installment Loan Act, Nebraska Installment Sales Act, Nebraska Money Transmitters Act and the Residential Mortgage Licensing Act.

The provisions update existing requirements for background checks of consumer finance licensees and provide a requirement for those licensees to notify the state Department of Banking and Finance of any data security breaches within three business days.

Also included in the bill are the following:



- LB710, sponsored by Sen. George Dungan of Lincoln, which modernizes and updates the State Credit Union Act;
- LB872, introduced by Elmwood Sen. Robert Clements, which



Sen. Robert Clements

prohibits acceptance of central bank digital currency by state and local governments as a form of payment during financial transactions;

- LB1122, sponsored by Ballard, which changes enforcement provisions relating to written solicitations for financial products or services and increases the fine from \$1,000 to \$5,000 per violation;
- LB1176, introduced by Dungan, which regulates public entity pooled investments;
- LB1290, sponsored by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, which aims to promote the use of special needs trusts by individuals with disabilities; and



Sen. George Dungan



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

- LB1294, introduced by Bostar, which changes provisions relating to data privacy, including certain certificates and information relating to vital records, and provides for certain records to be exempt from public disclosure.

LB1074 passed on a 47-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Finally, the committee did not advance a proposal intended to protect certain hospitals and other health care facilities in Nebraska that purchase drugs at discount prices through a federal program.

LB984, sponsored by Hardin, would have prohibited drug manufacturers or wholesale drug distributors from directly or indirectly denying, restricting, prohibiting, refusing, withholding or otherwise interfering with the acquisition of a 340B drug by any pharmacy that is under contract with a participating entity. ■

# BUSINESS & LABOR



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

**L**awmakers considered several measures this session related to unemployment taxes and benefits as well as employee training programs.

## Wages and benefits

Senators approved a bill that changes state law regarding name, image and likeness income opportunities for student athletes and authorizes a temporary reduction in the state's unemployment tax rate.

LB1393, introduced by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen on behalf of Gov. Jim Pillen, updates provisions of state law governing NIL activity for student athletes, which involves the use of an individual's name, image or likeness for commercial or promotional purposes.

Under the bill, Nebraska universities may assist student athletes with creating, identifying, facilitating or supporting NIL activities. A university may compensate a student athlete for the use



Sen. Ben Hansen

of their name, image or likeness only if allowed by a college athletic association policy, court order or settlement agreement. The measure clarifies that NIL compensation of a student athlete does not inherently make the athlete an employee of the institution.

In addition, LB1393 changes the allowable yield factor when determining the combined tax rate under the state's Employment Security Law and lowers the rate by 5% from Jan. 1, 2025, through Dec. 31, 2029.

The bill passed on a 42-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Senators debated a proposal that would have reduced the maximum eligibility for unemployment benefits in Nebraska under the Employment Security Law from 26 weeks to 16 weeks.

LB1170, introduced by Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe, also would have proportionally reduced the maximum benefit payable when a disqualification – such as voluntarily leaving work, misconduct or rejecting suitable employment – was assessed.

After approximately four hours of debate on general file, the Legislature adjourned for the day before voting on LB1170's advancement. The measure was not scheduled for further debate.

LB1213, introduced by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz, would have required businesses, state agencies and political subdivisions with at least 15 employees to provide a minimum of 20 hours of paid annual leave for employees to participate in a family member's school related activities.



Sen. Lynne Walz

The bill did not advance from committee.

## Training programs

Two employment training measures were advanced to general file by the Business and Labor Committee but were not scheduled for debate this session.

LB993, introduced by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, would have created the Apprenticeship Grant Program to be administered by the state Department of Economic Development.

Under the bill, DED could have provided grants to qualified Nebraska businesses to reimburse the cost of on-the-job training and classroom instruction for underemployed individuals who also are receiving state-funded economic assistance.

Qualifying businesses would have been partnered with



Sen. Teresa Ibach

a registered apprenticeship program and required to offer full-time employment upon the successful completion of the apprenticeship with a wage sufficient to reduce the individual's participation in economic assistance programs.

LB1408, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Rita Sanders, would have established mandatory training on human trafficking issues for hotel employees in



Sen. Rita Sanders

Nebraska. The bill would have required the state's existing human trafficking task force to work with the state Department of Labor to develop a curriculum for the training and determine how it would be provided.

LB1408 also would have required hotels to implement procedures for reporting suspected human trafficking and a prevention policy for all employees. A hotel out of compliance with the bill's provisions would have had 90 days to remedy the violation before being placed on a list of noncompliant entities. ■



# EDUCATION



Sen. Dave Murman, chairperson of the Education Committee

Lawmakers approved two omnibus education packages this session that allow certain school districts to permit security personnel to carry firearms on school grounds, provide funding for computer science teacher training and boost funding for teacher recruitment and retention programs.

## Omnibus measures

LB1329, introduced by Glenvil Sen. Dave Murman, served as one of two Education Committee omnibus bills. The measure updates the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act by transferring its administration from the state Department of Economic Development to the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education.

Additionally, the bill expands the definition of “first-time freshman” to include dual enrollment graduates, updates scholarship eligibility to a 3.0 GPA or higher and aligns reporting with census data to consider all eligible programs, retention and graduation data.

LB1329 also modifies language regarding State Board of

Education policies on truancy and allows school boards to determine the length of behavioral intervention training for employees.

The bill includes provisions of several other measures considered by the committee.

Provisions of Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer’s LB1339 permit certain school districts to authorize security personnel and off-duty law enforcement to carry firearms on school grounds and at school-sponsored activities.



Sen. Tom Brewer

Participating school districts are required to have a written policy regarding qualifications, training and the appropriate use of force. The provision does not apply to public elementary or secondary schools in Class III, IV or V school districts.

Other measures included in LB1329 are:

- LB231, introduced by Lincoln Sen. George Dungan, which directs school districts to provide written communication to parents or guardians regarding excessive absences;



Sen. George Dungan



Sen. Beau Ballard

- LB550, sponsored by Sen. Beau Ballard of Lincoln, which allows K-12 students to attend a public school outside their district once in elementary, middle and high school, for a total of three times before graduation;

- LB673, introduced by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen, which provides grants to schools that adopt a policy to provide emergency response mapping data to law enforcement agencies;



Sen. Ben Hansen



Sen. Danielle Conrad

- LB855, sponsored by Sen. Danielle Conrad of Lincoln, which prohibits school districts from contracting with a collection agency to assess or

- collect interest, fees or other monetary penalties for outstanding debts on a student’s school lunch or breakfast account;



Sen. Justin Wayne

- LB962, introduced by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne, which re-

quires public schools to exclusively use the Gall-Peters or AuthaGraph projection map for teaching purposes in the classroom;

- LB1012, sponsored by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz, which allows the Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund to be used for abatement projects to address school safety infrastructure concerns; and



Sen. Lynne Walz

- LB1385, introduced by Sen. Kathleen Kauth of Omaha, which streamlines the approval application process for teaching certificates and creates reciprocity among states for their issuance.



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

Senators passed LB1329 on a 40-0 vote.

Walz's LB1284 was utilized as the second committee omnibus package. The measure provides funding and resources to implement the provisions of the Computer Science and Technology Education Act, which the Legislature passed in 2022.

LB1284, approved on a 42-0 vote, requires the state Department of Education to employ or contract with computer science specialists to develop and deliver computer science educator training for teachers. The training will be accessible to all teachers in the state, including those seeking supplemental computer science certification.

The bill also establishes the Computer Science and Technology Education Fund, which the department will administer. The fund will receive \$1 million from the Education Future Fund by June 30, 2025, and \$500,000 annually if matching private funds are raised.

Also included are provisions of Elkhorn Sen. Lou Ann Linehan's LB1253, which provide grants for dyslexia research, and LB1254, which provides \$1.8 million in fiscal year 2025-26 to reading improvement mentorship programs.



Sen. Lou Ann Linehan

Other measures included in the package are:

- LB985, sponsored by Linehan, which clarifies that eligibility for the Nebraska Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act also requires that an applicant teach in the area of their high-need certification;
- LB986, also introduced by Linehan, which amends the Teach in Nebraska Today Act to increase the maximum grant total awarded each year from \$5 million to \$10 million;
- LB1005, sponsored by Walz, which provides techni-

cal changes to carry out provisions of a 2023 Education Committee omnibus bill;

- LB1014, also introduced by Walz, which reimburses school districts and educational service units for the cost of contracting with outside agencies to cover required services of school psychologists; and
- LB1050, sponsored by Conrad, which creates a pilot program administered by the state Department of Education to provide school districts with free menstrual products in FY2025-26.

## Funding and reimbursement

Several proposals pertaining to school funding and teacher reimbursement were considered this year.

LB299, introduced by Linehan and passed 45-0, prohibits 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 applies to joint public entities created on or after the bill's effective date.

If the bond question fails, it cannot be submitted to voters again for at least six months.

LB1331, introduced by Murman, was gutted and replaced with an amended version of Wayne's LB1231. The proposal was meant to serve as a companion bill to Linehan's LB388, the governor's failed property tax proposal. The two bills aimed to generate state revenue to fund additional property tax relief by implementing the Nebraska Education Formula and increasing yearly per-student foundation aid from \$1,500 to \$3,000.

LB1331 advanced to select file but was not scheduled for second-round debate.

Also advanced but not debated on select file was Walz's LB285. The bill would have required public schools with a certain percentage of students in poverty to opt into a federal program called Community Eligibility Provision, which offers reimbursement to school districts with high poverty rates to serve free breakfast and lunch to all students.

Under LB1052, also introduced by Walz, K-12 teachers from any approved or accredited public, private, denominational or parochial school could have applied for reimbursement of up to \$300 annually for school supplies purchased with personal funds. The committee advanced the bill to general file but it was not scheduled for debate.

Also advanced to general file but not scheduled for debate was LB878. Introduced by Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft,



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

the bill would have prohibited schools and educational service units from conducting special elections for a bond issue, a property tax levy or to exceed a property tax levy limitation. Instead, such questions could have appeared on ballots only during statewide general elections in even-numbered years.

## Other measures

Senators approved a proposal that loosens regulations for Nebraska private, parochial, denominational, group or home-based schools that choose not to meet accreditation requirements. Such schools commonly are referred to as “exempt.”

LB1027, introduced by Elmwood Sen. Robert Clements and passed 44-1, simplifies the application process to attend an exempt school and aligns it with the application process for public schools. Under the bill, only one parent must apply to the state Department of Education for their child to attend an exempt school. Current law requires both parents or guardians to apply.



Sen. Robert Clements

The bill removes the department’s authority to visit or inspect exempt schools and proctor achievement testing of exempt students. It also removes subject matter testing requirements for exempt school employees, aligning the requirements with those of public schoolteachers.

A proposal to restrict students from using school bathrooms and participating in school sports that correspond to their sex assigned at birth rather than their gender identity stalled on general file.

Kauth, sponsor of LB575, offered a cloture motion after four hours of debate, which failed on a 31-15 vote. Thirty-three votes were needed.

Two measures related to postsecondary institutions were considered by the committee but not advanced for debate this year.

LB1330, introduced by Murman, would have barred any public postsecondary educational institution from requiring staff to participate in diversity, equity and inclusion programs or to spend public funds on any DEI program.

LB1064, introduced by Central City Sen. Loren Lippincott, would have eliminated tenure protection for professors at the University of Nebraska, the Nebraska State College System and the state’s community colleges.



Sen. Loren Lippincott

Lippincott also proposed two bills this year pertaining to religious expression in schools that were not advanced by the committee.

LB1034 would have prohibited school districts from punishing employees for engaging in private religious expression while on duty at a school. Among other provisions, the bill would have allowed staff to engage in private religious expressions such as prayer, religious discussion or study with other employees during non-instruction time and to sponsor a student religious club or organization.

LB1065 would have permitted a chaplain to perform the duties of a school counselor without a certificate to teach, administer or perform other special services. Chaplains would have been required to undergo a criminal history record check and be subject to the same eligibility restrictions as school counselors based on the results. ■



# EXECUTIVE BOARD



Sen. Raymond Aguilar, chairperson of the Executive Board

Restoration of legislative oversight functions and a response to the controversial actions of a member of the Legislature during floor debate were among the top issues addressed by the Executive Board this session.

The committee considered a number of proposals introduced in response to a state attorney general's opinion that cast doubt on the constitutionality of legislative oversight offices.

The status of the Office of Public Counsel and the offices of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare and Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System had been in question since the attorney general issued his opinion in August of 2023.

Speaker John Arch of La Vista introduced two measures designed to restore the offices' access to the people, records and facilities needed to carry out their oversight of the state's child welfare and corrections systems. That access was removed by the executive branch following the attorney general's opinion.



Sen. John Arch

LR298, approved on a 38-1 vote, creates the Legislative Oversight Review Special Committee of the Legislature. Members include the speaker, all voting and nonvoting members of the Executive Board, the chairpersons of the Health and Human Services and Judiciary committees and three at-large members of the Legislature.

The committee will study the structure and organization of current legislative oversight functions that exist within legislative divisions and offices. It also may study oversight conducted by statutorily created boards and commissions in Nebraska and the legislative oversight functions of other state legislatures.

In addition to holding hearings, the committee may, with authorization from the Executive Board, issue subpoenas. It will issue a report and any recommendations to the Legislature no later than Dec. 15, 2024, and terminate Dec. 31, 2024.

LB1321, also sponsored by Arch, would have transferred the statutes that govern the oversight offices to another chapter of state law that governs legislative functions in order to clarify their roles. As introduced, it also would have made a number of other changes, including eliminating oversight of juvenile probation from the OIG for Child Welfare.

The bill did not advance from committee.

The Executive Board also announced an official letter of reprimand of Hastings Sen. Steve Halloran this session for remarks made during floor debate on a bill regarding obscenity laws governing K-12 teachers and librarians.

During the debate, Halloran read from the bill's committee hearing transcript, which included a passage from a memoir by Alice Sebold that describes a graphic sexual assault the author experienced. Halloran inserted the names "Senator Cavanaugh" and "Senator Dungan," who were engaged in the debate, throughout his reading of the excerpt.

The Legislature launched an official investigation into the incident under its workplace harassment policy and appointed a special three-member personnel panel. The panel hired an outside law firm to investigate whether the actions taken by Halloran violated the Legislature's workplace harassment policy or other employment discrimination law.

During announcement of the reprimand, Executive Board chairperson, Sen. Raymond Aguilar of Grand Island, said the law firm determined Halloran's remarks would not meet the criteria for a hostile work environment claim under federal or state law, but were a violation of the Legislature's harassment policy.

The Executive Board voted 8-1 to approve an official

letter of reprimand. The letter, which was read into the legislative record, indicated that those who signed it agree that Halloran’s conduct “should never be tolerated.”

LR335, introduced by Omaha Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh and cosigned by Sen. Julie Slama of Dunbar, would have censured Halloran for his actions. That measure was heard by the committee but was not advanced to the full Legislature for debate. ■



Sen.MachaelaCavanaugh

# GENERAL AFFAIRS



Sen. John Lowe, chairperson of the General Affairs Committee

Measures to update amusement device regulations and address the accessibility of vaping devices and co-branded alcoholic beverages were among those advanced by the General Affairs Committee this session.

LB685, introduced by Kearney Sen. John Lowe, imposes a 5% annual tax on the net operating revenue of each mechanical amusement device in the state. Fraternal organizations are exempt and the revenue generated from the tax will be distributed as follows:

- 40% to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund;
- 25% to the county where the device is located for distribution between the county and municipality;
- 20% to the Charitable Gaming Operations Fund to carry out the bill's provisions.
- 10% to the Nebraska Tourism Commission Promotional Cash Fund;
- 2.5% to the state General Fund; and
- 2.5% to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2025, the bill requires an annual

licensing fee of \$5,000 for manufacturers of mechanical amusement devices and \$100 per device, up to \$5,000, for distributors.

In addition, a retail establishment offering cash amusement devices is required to generate at least 60% of their gross operating revenue from other sources. The state tax commissioner is responsible for establishing a central server to receive accurate revenue and income reporting from cash devices across the state. Once the server is operational, each cash amusement device must be connected to it at all times.

LB685 also raises the age to play a mechanical amusement device from 19 to 21.

The bill includes provisions of LB836, also introduced by Lowe, which prohibit co-branded alcoholic beverages from being sold immediately adjacent to any non-alcoholic food or drink portraying cartoons or "youth-oriented images." The bill defines a co-branded alcoholic beverage as one that contains the same or similar brand name, logo or packaging as a non-alcoholic beverage.

Businesses with less than 2,500 square feet of retail space are exempt from the provision but must display a clearly visible sign stating that the co-branded beverage contains alcohol and can be purchased only by persons who are 21 years of age or older.

LB685 passed on a 46-0 vote.

Several provisions of state law governing liquor, gaming and vaping were updated under LB1204, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh. The bill defines a rickhouse under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act and allows the holder of a microdistillery or spirits license to operate a rickhouse if authorized by the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

The bill includes provisions of three other measures, including Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft's LB981, which relates to compliance requirements for Charitable Gaming Lottery and Raffle applicants in Nebraska.

Previously, a nonprofit conducting a lottery or raffle was required to pay a quarterly tax on earnings if the lottery exceeded \$1,000 in gross proceeds or the raffle exceeded \$5,000.



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

LB981 adjusts the tax filing threshold for nonprofits to \$15,000 in gross proceeds for both lotteries and raffles and limits qualifying nonprofit organizations to one lottery or raffle per calendar month that exceeds \$15,000 in gross proceeds. The measure clarifies that organizations can conduct more than one lottery or raffle if their total



gross proceeds do not exceed the threshold.

Provisions of LB1000, introduced by Plymouth Sen. Tom Brandt, prohibit the Charitable Gaming Division and any lottery contractor from disclosing the identity of a person awarded a prize of \$250,000 or more except upon written authorization by the prize winner.



Sen. Tom Brandt

Also included in the bill is a measure intended to reduce access to vaping devices by minors in Nebraska.

LB1296, sponsored by Sen. Jana Hughes of Seward, prohibits the online sale and delivery of electronic nicotine delivery systems directly to consumers in Nebraska, but does not prohibit a retailer from accepting online orders to be picked up at their licensed retail facility.



Sen. Jana Hughes

Among other provisions, the measure also:

- requires licensure or certification by wholesalers, retailers and manufacturers of ENDS products;
- requires manufacturers to pay a \$75 certification fee for each type or model of ENDS product sold in the state;
- prevents the use of packaging and labeling that mimics other consumer products or conceals a vaping device;

- requires manufacturers to attest that they fully comply with federal disclosure requirements; and
- prohibits overseas manufacturers from selling products to retailers and distributors in Nebraska unless they are certified under the bill's provisions.

LB1204 passed on a 45-0 vote.

A bill seeking to help certain potential establishments in Nebraska obtain liquor licenses under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act did not advance from committee.

Under LB1276, introduced by Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer, a city or village clerk who is informed of a protest to the issuance of a proposed license prior to the applicants' purchase of land for the construction of the establishment, or the renovation of an existing property, could have submitted a request to the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission to waive the 45-day objection period and hold a hearing on the issuance of a license.



Sen. Tom Brewer

The commission then could have held a hearing and ruled on the issuance or denial of the license on the basis of the applicant submitting the business plan for a future establishment.

The bill would have applied only to applicants for retail, bottle club, craft brewery or microdistillery licenses in second class cities and villages. ■

# GOVERNMENT, MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS



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

Lawmakers removed a voting restriction for Nebraskans with felony convictions, approved a series of government reforms and placed a troubled state agency under the direct authority of the governor this session.

## Elections

Currently, a person automatically regains his or her voting rights in Nebraska two years after completion of a felony sentence, including parole. LB20, introduced by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne and passed 38-6, eliminates this waiting period.

Senators also approved an omnibus election measure.

LB287, sponsored by Gordon Sen. Tom Brewer, includes the provisions of several bills related to the state's election laws heard by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee this session.



Sen. Justin Wayne

Previously, the state attorney general was required to file an action in the appropriate court within 10 days of any state officer's refusal to implement an act that has been deemed unconstitutional by a prior attorney general's written opinion.

LB1191, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Danielle Conrad, repealed that section of state law.



Sen. Danielle Conrad

Provisions of LB861, sponsored by Elkhorn Sen. Lou Ann Linehan, change the processes for removing a signer's name from a petition. The provisions eliminate the requirement of a signed, sworn affidavit executed in the presence of an election commissioner, county clerk or notary public. Instead, a signer can remove their name by signing and delivering a written letter to the secretary of state, election commissioner or county clerk.



Sen. Lou Ann Linehan

Election officials will be required to verify the signature on the removal letter with the signature appearing in voter registration records. The criminal penalty for falsifying a signature withdrawal letter is the same as the penalty for signing a petition when not legally qualified to do so.

Among other provisions, LB1152, sponsored by Brewer, changes procedures for voter registration removal, presidential elector meeting locations and dates and verification of driver's licenses and state identification cards for voting purposes.

LB287 also includes provisions of:

- LB47, introduced by Sen. Myron Dorn of Adams, which amends the Open Meetings Act to authorize rural fire districts to post notice of their meetings prominently in three conspicuous places, instead of the existing requirement to publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the public body's jurisdiction;
- LB269, sponsored by Bayard Sen. Steve Erdman, which removes obsolete language in state law related to the 2021 redistricting process;
- LB302, introduced by Linehan, which makes a number of changes to the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Act regarding salary and conflict of interest disclosures;



Sen. Myron Dorn



Sen. Steve Erdman

- LB313, sponsored by Kearney Sen. John Lowe, which amends state election law regarding the process for filling vacancies in Nebraska’s delegations to the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives; and



Sen. John Lowe

- LB513, introduced by Brewer, which provides for alternative means of public notice under the Open Meetings Act when timely newspaper publication is unavailable and adds two categories of public bodies that may expand use of videoconferencing for their public meetings.

LB287 passed on a 46-0 vote and took effect immediately.

An attempt to move public power and irrigation district elections to a partisan format was advanced to select file but not scheduled for second-round debate.

As originally introduced last session by Lowe, LB541 would have required that all such elections be conducted on partisan ballots for both the primary and general elections.

As amended, the bill’s provisions would have covered only districts receiving annual revenue in excess of \$500 million. The change effectively would have limited the measure to the Nebraska Public Power District and the Omaha Public Power District.

A proposal to require political ads generated with artificial intelligence to disclose that information did not advance from committee.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

LB1203, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, would have required certain qualified political advertisements to include a statement to the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission regarding AI generation. The

bill would not have applied to news broadcasts, satire or parody.

The committee also did not advance LB1262, introduced by Sen. Jen Day of Omaha, which would have created a Native American Voting Rights Commission within the Nebraska Commission on Indian Affairs.



Sen. Jen Day

## Government reform

A state agency with a recent history of controversy will be placed under the direct authority of the governor by a bill passed this session.

Under LB1169, introduced by Erdman and passed 39-4,

the Nebraska State Historical Society — commonly known as History Nebraska — will become a code agency under Nebraska state law. Code agency directors are appointed by the governor with legislative approval and report directly to the governor.

Among other provisions, the bill outlines the director’s duties, which include ensuring that the study and presentation of exhibits and other material is conducted in a way that “stimulates, encourages and protects” freedom of expression and academic freedom.

LB1169 removes administrative duties from the board of trustees and instead gives them an advisory role to the director. It also prohibits the director from serving on the board of any charitable organization that provides monetary or other support to History Nebraska and requires prior approval of gifts to the agency of real property or with a monetary value of \$10,000 or more.

Lawmakers also approved a bill aimed at alleviating certain occupational licensure regulations in Nebraska.

LB16, sponsored by Conrad and passed 42-1, provides broad reciprocal licensure for military members, apprentices and individuals who are licensed in other states, provided they meet a number of criteria.

Among other provisions, the bill requires that applicants for reciprocal licensure must hold a credential that covers a similar scope of practice, not have a disqualifying criminal record and not have had their credential surrendered or revoked for negligence or misconduct.

LB16 also allows individuals with criminal convictions to provide additional information regarding mitigating factors when submitting an application for licensure, government certification or state recognition of their qualifications and adds two members to the State Electrical Board.

Finally, the bill includes provisions of Brewer’s LB471 that establish a voluntary registry of interior design professionals in Nebraska.

Lawmakers also approved an omnibus measure aimed at furthering transparency and open government.

LB43, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Rita Sanders, directs hearing officers and judges not to rely on a state agency’s interpretation of state laws or regulations in contested cases under the Administrative Procedures Act.



Sen. Rita Sanders

The bill includes provisions of six additional proposals that address the state’s Administrative Procedures Act and Public Records Act:

- LB41, sponsored by Sen. Ben Hansen of Blair, which prohibits the state from placing “intrusive



or politically motivated” filing or reporting requirements on charitable organizations beyond those required by state law unless narrowly tailored to serve a compelling state interest or to fulfill federal funding requirements;



Sen. Ben Hansen

- LB277, introduced by Brewer, which creates a more restrictive standard for imposing a “substantial burden” on a person’s right to the exercise of religion and authorizes indigenous tribal members who are students in approved or accredited public schools to wear tribal regalia at any school facility or function, unless doing so would prevent school purposes or interfere with the educational process;
- LB297, sponsored by Sanders, which prohibits state and local government agencies from compelling a nonprofit organization to release the personal information of its members, supporters, volunteers or donors;
- LB366, introduced by Conrad, which changes the threshold at which Nebraska residents may be charged for time spent fulfilling a public records request from four to eight hours and changes fee calculations;
- LB637, sponsored by Thurston Sen. Joni Albrecht, which requires a public body to allow members of the public an opportunity to speak at every meeting except for closed sessions related to personnel matters, investigations regarding allegations of criminal conduct or other purposes already exempted under state law; and
- LB650, introduced by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, which amends public records law to permit the state or any political subdivision to withhold records relating to the “nature, location or function of cybersecurity.”



Sen. Joni Albrecht



Sen. Mike McDonnell

LB43 passed on a 39-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Finally, a bill that makes a number of changes to the process the state uses to obtain goods and services was approved this session.

Among other updates, LB461, sponsored by La Vista Sen. John Arch, redefines which contracts are subject to administration by the state Department of Administrative Services

and makes the following changes:

- details the form of bid solicitations;
- revises the factors to be considered when evaluating bids;
- provides guidance for evaluating what are “realistic” and “reasonable” prices;
- prohibits certain provisions in procurement contracts;
- modifies when proof of needs analysis would be required; and
- requires that the requesting agency provide a detailed requisition for services or personal property to be contracted.



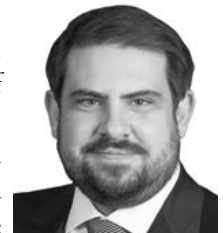
Sen. John Arch

LB461 passed on a 45-0 vote.

## Other measures

A bill meant to prepare supply chains and critical infrastructure for the risk of a possible Pacific conflict was given final approval this session.

LB1300, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, requires an assessment of all risks to state or national security, economic security or public health in the event of a conflict involving China or other countries in the area of the Pacific Ocean and the U.S. or its allies.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

The governor will be required to publish the nonconfidential aspects of the state risk assessment annually. Unauthorized disclosure of confidential information would be a Class III misdemeanor.

In addition, LB1300 creates the Committee on Pacific Conflict and outlines membership and expectations, including production of the annual threat report. The measure also prohibits companies from designated countries from bidding on certain state or local procurement contracts.

The measure contains provisions of Sanders’ LB2 that create a state Commission on Asian American Affairs. The commission will consist of 14 individuals of Asian ancestry appointed by the governor and will be tasked with enhancing the cause of Asian American rights and developing solutions to problems common to all Asian American residents of Nebraska.

LB1300 also includes provisions of five additional proposals.

Provisions of LB869, introduced by Bostar, expand the mission of county veterans service committees to encompass aid to all veterans, regardless of whether their term

of service was during wartime. The provisions also clarify that a person who served on active duty for training in the Nebraska National Guard is eligible to receive assistance from county veterans service committees.

LB887, sponsored by Brewer, creates the Nebraska Non-profit Security Grant program to be administered by the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency. The proposal outlines a list of authorized uses for grant funds, which NEMA will begin providing Jan. 1, 2025. Individual recipient organizations will have an annual grant cap of \$100,000 and total annual grant awards are capped at \$500,000.

Provisions of LB1358, introduced by McDonnell, prohibit metropolitan and primary class city council members from increasing their salaries, or the mayor's salary, in excess of inflation as calculated by the Consumer Price Index plus 1% without a public hearing, a two-thirds vote of the council and voter approval. Salaries may be raised no more than once every two fiscal years.

The measure also sets maximum salary levels for directors of public power districts and salary limitations for metropolitan utilities districts and counties.

Finally, LB1300 includes provisions of LB1048, introduced by Bostar, which require certain chemical facilities in Nebraska to participate in a federal program relating to cybersecurity and infrastructure security and LB1243, sponsored by McDonnell, which create the Wildland Incident Response Assistance Team within the office of the state fire marshal.

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

LB102, sponsored by Erdman, revises the Nebraska Plane Coordinate System Act, Land Surveyors Regulation Act and related state laws that govern the land surveying profession in Nebraska.

Among other provisions, the bill provides new authority for professional land surveyors and their assistants and trainees to enter public and private lands and waterways to conduct land surveys and to place survey monuments. Vehicles used for this purpose must be clearly marked with identifying information and surveyors are liable for any property or crop damage resulting from their work.

The bill defines the scope of practice and licensure processes for land surveyors who offer their services through an organization and sets out a professional disciplinary process for the examining board to follow in enforcing the Land Surveyors Regulation Act.

LB102 also protects private landowners by shielding them from liability for damages to surveyors incurred during their survey work, unless such damages are the result of an intentional tort.

Senators passed the bill on a 44-0 vote.

A bill intended to spare Nebraskans from changing their clocks twice a year failed to advance from general file.

Under LB143, sponsored by Conrad, Nebraska would have adopted permanent daylight saving time. The switch would have taken effect contingent on a change in federal law or policy allowing states to do so and would have required adoption of the same policy by three adjacent states.

Senators voted 14-25 to advance the bill to select file. Twenty-five votes were needed.

An effort to make the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission, also known as ServeNebraska, a statutory agency also failed to advance from first-round debate on a 24-12 vote.

LB111, sponsored by McDonnell, would have restructured the organization but fell one vote short of the number needed to advance to select file.

Finally, a measure intended to prohibit government entities from contracting with businesses that discriminate against the firearms industry was advanced to general file by the committee but was not scheduled for debate.

LB925, sponsored by Sen. Raymond Aguilar of Grand Island, would have established the Firearm Industry Nondiscrimination Act. The bill would have prohibited government entities from entering into certain contracts for goods or services unless the contract included a written certification that the company does not engage in discrimination against firearm entities or firearm trade associations. ■



Sen. Raymond Aguilar

# HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



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

Measures to address Medicaid coverage, child care provider shortages and the opioid epidemic were among those considered by the Health and Human Services Committee this session.

## Medicaid

Lawmakers passed a bill intended to increase Medicaid payments to Nebraska hospitals by accessing federal matching funds through an assessment program.

LB1087, introduced by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, requires the state Department of Health and Human Services to submit a state plan amendment to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for approval to impose an assessment on Nebraska hospitals.

Under the plan, each Nebraska



Sen. Mike Jacobson

hospital will pay an assessment fee based on their quarterly net revenue. The total statewide assessment amount cannot exceed 6% of the total net patient revenue of all assessed hospitals.

The program will be administered by DHHS, which will receive an administration fee of 3% of the assessment amount, not to exceed \$15 million per year. Of the total assessed amount, 3.5% may be used for health priorities including funding non-hospital Medicaid providers. That amount is capped at \$17.5 million.

LB1087 passed on a 45-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Senators also updated provisions of the Nebraska False Medicaid Claims Act this session.

LB664, introduced by Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe, authorizes the state's Medicaid fraud control unit – which is part of the state attorney general's office – to investigate and prosecute cases of abuse, neglect or exploitation of Medicaid recipients who receive medical services inside and outside of institutional settings.



Sen. Merv Riepe

The measure also grants the attorney general's office access to all applicable records of any resident living in a Medicaid funded facility when investigating and prosecuting instances of abuse, neglect or exploitation, regardless of whether the resident is a Medicaid recipient. The provision includes an expansion of existing subpoena powers.

LB664 passed on a 45-0 vote.

Also introduced by Riepe, LB905 requires DHHS to apply for a Medicaid waiver or state plan amendment with CMS by Oct. 1, 2025, to designate two medical respite facilities for individuals experiencing homelessness in Nebraska.

The facilities – one located in a primary class city and the other in a metropolitan class city – will be reimbursed for services to qualified individuals. Lincoln is the state's only primary class city and Omaha is the only metropolitan class city.

LB905 also provides the department with authority to license adult respite care facilities and authorizes funding for the program from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund.

The bill passed on a 43-0 vote.

LB62, introduced by Omaha Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh and passed 34-6, requires DHHS to “take all actions necessary” to provide coverage and reimbursement for providers of translation and interpretation services for individuals who receive Medicaid.

Funding for the measure will come from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund.

The bill includes provisions of Cavanaugh’s LB871 that require the department to submit an annual report to the Legislature by Nov. 1 of each year detailing current and anticipated Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program expenditures.



Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh

For programs other than Aid to Dependent Children, the report will include a “clear statement” explaining how an expenditure for that program or service is more likely to help families achieve economic mobility and self-sufficiency than an increase in ADC expenditures.

The measure also includes provisions of Cavanaugh’s LB1237, which require a DHHS annual report on Medicaid redeterminations.



Sen. Lynne Walz

LB358, sponsored by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz, increases the reimbursement rate for dental services provided under Medicaid by 12.5% for fiscal year 2024-25. The bill passed on a 47-0 vote and took effect immediately.

The committee did not advance LB1278, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Terrell McKinney, which would have required DHHS to provide Medicaid coverage for doula and full spectrum doula services, beginning no later than Jan. 1, 2026.



Sen. Terrell McKinney

## Children and families

Several proposals intended to increase access to child care and provide support for at-risk mothers were approved by lawmakers this session.

Under current law, Aid to Dependent Children recipients are required to surrender to the state any child support received from a noncustodial parent.

LB233, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, creates a passthrough to allow a custodial parent who receives ADC to also receive up to \$100 of the child support paid for one child and \$200 for two or more children. Child support income from the passthrough will be disregarded when calculating ADC monthly assistance payments.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

The bill passed on a vote of 46-0 and takes effect July 1, 2027.

A measure to provide an exemption under the Child Care Subsidy program for certain providers who care for their own children passed on a vote of 38-7.

Current Nebraska law prohibits DHHS from providing a child care subsidy to an eligible child care provider for direct care of their own child.

LB856, sponsored by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson, creates an exemption if an employer has attempted to make reasonable accommodations to ensure that a provider is not caring for their own child but such an accommodation cannot be made. An eligible child care provider also may enroll their child in a program other than their own to receive a subsidy.



Sen. John Fredrickson

The measure passed on a 38-7 vote and takes effect July 1, 2025.

LB857, introduced by Sen. George Dungan of Lincoln and passed 45-0, creates the Nebraska Prenatal Plus Program. The program will cover the cost of prenatal services for at-risk mothers — defined as pregnant women eligible for Medicaid or the Children’s Health Insurance program who are determined to be at risk for negative maternal or infant health outcomes.



Sen. George Dungan

Prenatal services under the program include nutritional counseling, psychosocial counseling and support, general client education and health promotion, breastfeeding support and targeted case management. The program will sunset June 30, 2028.

The bill also includes provisions of Lincoln Sen. Carolyn Bosn’s LB933 that expand Medicaid coverage for continuous glucose monitors to include individuals with gestational diabetes and those receiving any type of insulin therapy.



Sen. Carolyn Bosn

Funding for CGM coverage is capped at \$600,000 annually from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund.

Senators also passed a bill to broaden options for determining child care provider reimbursement rates and establish intergenerational care facility grants.

Under current law, DHHS is required to conduct a market rate survey every two years to determine provider reimbursement rates under the Child Care Subsidy program.



LB904, introduced by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, gives the department authority to consider a different federally approved methodology to determine reimbursement rates or to create their own model and seek federal approval. If DHHS chooses to continue using the existing method, the bill requires that the reimbursement rate be at least the 75th percentile of the current market rate survey.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

The measure also includes provisions of LB1178, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Anna Wishart, which create the Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive program to provide one-time startup grants to establish child care programs in nursing and assisted living facilities that are certified for Medicare or Medicaid.



Sen. Anna Wishart

The program will be funded through a one-time \$300,000 appropriation from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund. Certified facilities are eligible for a grant of up to \$100,000 for structural updates, outside campus space, equipment and supplies.

Facilities that have been cited for providing a substandard quality of care during their most recent survey are not eligible to receive a grant.

LB904 passed on a 45-0 vote.

## Omnibus bill

Senators passed a measure that makes a number of changes to laws governing the licensure and provision of health services in Nebraska.

Among other provisions, LB1215, sponsored by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen, requires nurse renewal licenses to be registered in the DHHS electronic database and eliminates the certificate of need requirement for rehabilitation beds in hospitals.

The measure includes provisions of 10 other proposals considered by the committee this session:

- LB823, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Carol Blood, which adopts the Physician Assistant Licensure Compact;



Sen. Carol Blood

- LB896, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Beau Ballard, which repeals a requirement for a signed statement within 10 days when a telehealth patient gives verbal consent during an initial consultation;
- LB1009, sponsored by Walz, which allows a person who has failed the state barber examination a third time to take the test again;
- LB1106, introduced by Omaha Sen. Jen Day, which requires Medicaid to cover a minimum of 10 lactation consultations for mothers and children covered under Medicaid and increases lactation consultation provider rates by 145%;
- LB1107, also sponsored by Day, which requires DHHS to provide Medicaid coverage for electric breast pumps for qualified pregnant women, beginning no later than Jan. 1, 2025;
- LB1138, introduced by Riepe, which allows a prescriber who issues fewer than 50 prescriptions a year to not use electronic prescription technology;
- LB1171, sponsored by Gering Sen. Brian Hardin, which adds an exemption to pharmacy verification requirements for pharmacies with multiple locations that share a common electronic database;
- LB1173, introduced by Riepe, which changes requirements related to vital statistics;
- LB1181, sponsored by Ballard, which changes the Pharmacy Practice Act, Uniform Controlled Substances Act and Public Health and Welfare statutes relating to medications; and
- LB1373, introduced by Blood, which creates the Dietitian Licensure Compact, which will take effect when seven states pass enacting legislation, and adds dietitians to the list of health professions in Nebraska that require a background check.



Sen. Beau Ballard



Sen. Jen Day



Sen. Brian Hardin

Lawmakers passed the measure on a 45-0 vote and LB1215 took effect immediately.

## Other measures

A bill to establish new tools to address the state's opioid crisis was approved by lawmakers this session.

LB1355, introduced by Omaha Sen. Tony Vargas, re-

names the Nebraska Opioid Recovery Fund – which contains state settlement dollars related to the opioid crisis – as the Nebraska Opioid Recovery Trust Fund and makes a number of changes to how the fund is used.

The bill directs the state treasurer to make the following annual transfers:

- \$400,000 to the state Department of Health and Human Services Cash Fund to carry out the Overdose Fatality Review Teams Act;
- \$1.25 million to the Training Division Cash Fund;
- \$3 million to the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Cash Fund, created by the bill; and
- an amount determined by the Legislature to the newly created Opioid Treatment Infrastructure Cash Fund.

LB1355 states legislative intent that 25% of the total settlement funds received by the state be transferred to the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Cash Fund and 75% to the Opioid Treatment Infrastructure Cash Fund.

Funds disbursed to the prevention and treatment fund will be distributed proportionally among the state’s regional behavioral health authorities. Dollars appropriated to the infrastructure fund will be used for state and local public-private partnerships for entities engaged in opioid treatment, including capital construction and renovation. Administrative costs are capped at 5%.

Also included in LB1355 is legislative intent to appropriate \$500,000 in general funds to DHHS for distribution to local public health departments for opioid use prevention and mediation. Funds appropriated for this purpose will be offset by a reduction in the state’s appropriation to the Behavior Health Aid program.

An appropriation of \$250,000 in general funds to support research on opioid addiction and misuse prevention at



Sen. Tony Vargas

the University of Nebraska Medical Center also will be offset by a reduction in the Behavioral Health Aid appropriation.

Finally, regional behavioral health authorities and local public health departments are required to report in even-numbered years regarding the use of funds.

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

LB1035, sponsored by Seward Sen. Jana Hughes, requires DHHS to create a program to permit the donation and dispensing of qualifying prescription drugs.

Under the bill, medications may be donated by individuals or entities, including manufacturers and health care facilities. Donations must:

- undergo inspection prior to donation;
- be in original, unopened, sealed and tamper-evident packaging;
- bear an expiration date more than six months after the donation date, except in limited cases; and
- not be restricted for distribution by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Participation is voluntary and the bill includes civil and criminal protections for individuals and entities that donate medications. The department will designate a non-profit organization to administer the program.

Lawmakers passed LB1035 on a vote of 47-0.

A measure intended to address food insecurity in Nebraska did not advance from committee. LB920, introduced by McKinney, would have required DHHS to establish a Restaurant Meals Program no later than July 1, 2025.

Under the program, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program recipients who are elderly, disabled or experiencing homelessness could have used their SNAP dollars to purchase pre-made meals at below-market price from participating restaurants contracted with DHHS. ■



Sen. Jana Hughes

# JUDICIARY



Sen. Justin Wayne, chairperson of the Judiciary Committee

Changes to Nebraska's criminal justice system, additional consumer protections and updates to the state's safe haven law were among the topics considered by the Judiciary Committee this session.

Lawmakers passed a measure to overhaul Nebraska's approach to parole, probation and reentry for formerly incarcerated individuals.

LB631, introduced by Sen. Terrell McKinney of Omaha, makes changes to the Board of Parole intended to strengthen accountability. Under the bill, board members must receive initial and ongoing training on ethics, cultural competency, implicit bias and the board's powers and duties.

A parole board member who misses 12 full days of hearings in a calendar year will be considered in neglect of duty unless the absence is due to circumstances beyond the member's control. A board member found to be in neglect of duty will be removed from the board.



Sen. Terrell McKinney

In addition, the bill prohibits denial of parole for a committed offender solely because the state Department of Correctional Services delayed or did not offer necessary programming due to operational issues, including staffing shortages, maintenance issues or lack of funding.

The measure includes provisions of Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne's LB348, which create the Community Work Release and Reentry Centers Act and enable the Division of Parole Supervision and the state Department of Correctional Services to contract with private providers to establish work release and reentry centers throughout the state.

Responsibility for certain reentry programs and services is transferred from the department to the Board of Parole under LB631, with the goal of providing work release opportunities, vocational training, education, programming and behavioral and mental health treatment prior to full parole.

The measure also creates the Reentry Continuity Advisory Board to identify areas for collaboration on reentry issues. Among other members, the advisory board will include representatives of the department and the Board of Parole, as well as a formerly incarcerated individual, a victims' rights representative and individuals with expertise in public policy, mental and behavioral health and restorative justice.

The bill contains provisions of the following measures:

- LB334, introduced by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, which creates minimum standards for reentry housing facilities throughout Nebraska;
- LB922, sponsored by McKinney, which prohibits a state agency or political subdivision from excluding an individual from consideration for a program grant solely because he or she currently is or previously was on probation or parole;
- LB1126, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Carolyn Bosn, which creates a career readiness pilot program to assist justice-involved individuals in obtaining the National Career Readiness Certificate; and
- LB1145, also sponsored by Bosn, which transfers the Division of Parole Supervision to the state Department of Correctional Services.



Sen. Mike McDonnell



Sen. Carolyn Bosn

LB631 passed on a 39-4 vote.

Current state law allows for the surrendering of infants 30 days old or younger in person at a hospital.

LB876, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Rick Holdcroft, raises the age to 90 days and allows parents or individuals

acting on a parent's behalf to surrender physical custody of infants to an emergency care provider or at a fire or police station staffed 24 hours a day. Under the bill, no individual can be prosecuted solely for surrendering a newborn.

The bill appropriates \$65,000 to the state Department of Health and Human Services in fiscal year 2024-25 and \$10,000 in FY2025-26 to develop, implement and maintain a public information program regarding the bill's provisions.

LB876 passed on a 47-0 vote.

## Courts

LB253, introduced by Sen. Tom Brewer of Gordon and passed 44-0, establishes a veteran justice program in Nebraska. The program, to be created by the state probation administrator, will be available to active-duty military personnel and veterans who have committed a qualifying offense and request that a court defer entry of judgment of conviction pending completion of a case plan.

The program will be available in every district and county court and will apply to crimes committed after July 1, 2025. The program is prohibited from interfering with the operation of any existing problem-solving court.

Veterans are eligible to participate in the program if they can demonstrate that a condition from military service contributed to a qualifying offense. Offenses that exclude participation include those that are not probation eligible, registerable sex offenses, a third or subsequent charge of driving under the influence or an offense that results in the death of another person.

The program requires evidence-based treatment tailored to challenges arising from military service, including PTSD and traumatic brain injury. If a veteran is determined eligible, the court is required to notify the victim of the alleged offense and the state court administrator is required to track outcomes for veterans who participate and submit an annual report to the Judiciary Committee.

LB1288, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Jane Raybould, requires state and local authorities to recognize hold orders, commitment orders and emergency protective custody orders issued by tribal courts for tribal residents of Indian country, as defined by federal



Sen. Rick Holdcroft



Sen. Tom Brewer



Sen. Jane Raybould

law, beginning Oct. 1.

The bill also allows for transportation of persons civilly committed under tribal law and requires reimbursement of treatment and transportation costs by the tribe. Tribes will be notified of the discharge or transfer of an individual who is subject to the bill's provisions.

The measure also includes provisions of LB923, sponsored by McKinney, which add a tribal enrollment card as a valid form of proof of identification and age for the purchase of alcohol and for an application for a handgun transfer certificate.

LB1288 passed on a 30-8 vote.

Gov. Jim Pillen vetoed a measure that would have allowed political subdivisions to be sued for harm caused to a child by sexual or other abuse under certain circumstances. LB25, introduced by Wayne, would have allowed civil claims related to the abuse under the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act.

Under the bill, claims could have been filed if the harm done was a "proximate result" of a political subdivision's failure to exercise reasonable control over an employee or failure to protect a person in their care, custody or control from harm by a non-employee.

LB25 passed on a 28-17 vote on the last day of the legislative session. In his veto message, the governor said the measure was "overbroad" and would unfairly burden Nebraska taxpayers.

LB184, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, prohibits statements made by child defendants to mental health professionals during the hearing process for a motion to transfer a case from county or district court to juvenile court from being used against them in other civil or criminal proceedings. Such statements can be used as evidence in certain other circumstances.

The bill passed on a 42-0 vote.

## Penalties

A bill that would have provided legal immunity to public and behavioral health programs, pharmacies and employees from drug paraphernalia offenses when implementing or participating in a program that provides safe use and disposal of syringes was vetoed by the governor.

LB307, introduced by Sen. Megan Hunt of Omaha, would have permitted political subdivisions to voluntarily establish syringe services programs. SSPs would have been required to satisfy minimum requirements, such as pro-



Sen. John Cavanaugh



viding information on naloxone and referrals for mental health and other social services.

Additionally, approved programs would not have been permitted to operate within 500 feet of a child care program, school or youth center or a public library, community center or swimming pool.

Lawmakers passed LB307 on a 30-7 vote. The bill subsequently was vetoed by Pillen, who said in his veto message that SSPs are not a proven remedy to reduce drug use. An attempt to override the veto failed on a 27-20 vote. Thirty votes were needed.

LB137, introduced by Bosn, advanced to select file but was not scheduled for second-round debate. The bill would have enhanced penalties for certain charges related to manufacturing or delivering controlled substances when doing so results in death or serious bodily injury.

The penalty would have been increased to the next higher penalty classification, not to exceed a Class IB felony. A Class IB felony carries a penalty of 20 years to life imprisonment.

A bill that aimed to change certain criminal protections for educators and library staff failed to advance from general file after an unsuccessful motion to end debate.

Under current law, it is a Class I misdemeanor to prepare, distribute, order, produce, exhibit or promote obscene material or possess such material with the intent to do so. A Class I misdemeanor carries a maximum penalty of a \$1,000 fine or one year in jail.

State law also provides an affirmative defense for teachers and librarians if charged with possession, distribution or exhibition of obscene material to a minor if the individual is employed at an “established and recognized educational institution” and engaged in educational activity. LB441, introduced by Thurston Sen. Joni Albrecht, would have narrowed that provision to apply only to employees of postsecondary educational institutions.

After eight hours of first-round debate, Albrecht filed a cloture motion that failed 30-17. Thirty-three votes were needed.

A measure that would have expanded the offense of obstructing a peace officer to include certain audio or visual recording did not advance from committee this session. Under LB1185, introduced by Kearney Sen. John Lowe, an individual who records audio or video of a peace officer engaged in their



Sen. Megan Hunt



Sen. Joni Albrecht



Sen. John Lowe

duties would have been required to remain at least 10 feet away from the officer while recording, unless they are the person with whom the officer is actively engaging.

## Consumer protections

Expanding consumer protections was the focus of several proposals advanced by the committee.

LB1092, introduced by Glenvil Sen. Dave Murman and passed 35-3, adopts the Online Age Verification Liability Act. The bill prohibits commercial entities from knowingly publishing or distributing material harmful to minors online by requiring them to use a reasonable age verification method to ensure that anyone attempting to access such material is at least 18 years old.



Sen. Dave Murman

The age verification requirement applies only if a substantial portion of the website’s content, defined as one-third or more, meets the bill’s definition of being harmful to minors.

Authorized age verification methods include digitized identification cards, third-party age-verification services or methods that rely on public or private transactional data. Under the bill, a commercial entity or third party that performs an age verification is prohibited from retaining a person’s identifying information after access to the material has been granted.

LB1092 does not apply to any legitimate news-gathering organization or broadcaster, and internet providers will not be held liable if a minor accesses explicit content due to an entity’s failure to implement an age verification method.

Finally, the measure allows individuals, parents or guardians harmed by an entity that violates the act’s provisions to pursue a lawsuit and potentially recover damages.

LB934, introduced by Bosn, authorizes the state attorney general to bring a trial by jury under the Consumer Protection Act or the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act. A defendant also may demand a jury trial for claims brought under either act.

Under the bill, the attorney general may freeze assets of businesses or business owners suspected of engaging in deceptive practices with reasonable cause.

LB934 also includes provisions of Omaha Sen. Christy Armendariz’s LB1096, which expand the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act to include the creation, distribution, monetization or promotion of sexually explicit conduct, obscene material or



Sen. Christy Armendariz

material that is harmful to a minor.

LB934 passed on a 46-0 vote and took effect immediately.

## Law enforcement

Under LB870, introduced by Omaha Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh, individuals who have undergone a sexual assault forensic examination can request law enforcement to preserve their forensic evidence for an additional 20 years.

The bill requires law enforcement to notify an individual of the intended destruction or disposal of such evidence no later than 60 days before the end of the statutorily required retention period.

A law enforcement agency is not required to provide such notice for forensic evidence that was provided anonymously. Under the bill, which passed 47-0, an individual also may request to be informed when there is a status change in their case.

LB894, introduced by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, requires county sheriff candidates to possess a diploma issued by the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice before running for office.

The measure also requires newly elected and appointed county sheriffs to obtain certification within eight months of taking office. County sheriffs elected to office before July 19, 1980, are exempt from the bill's provisions.

LB894 passed on a 44-0 vote.



Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh



Sen. Teresa Ibach



Sen. Danielle Conrad



Sen. Carol Blood

- LB832, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Carol Blood, which authorizes the governor to accept full or partial cession or retrocession of federal juvenile jurisdiction on behalf of the

state when offered by the appropriate federal authority;

- LB902, sponsored by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, which prohibits an assisted living facility from requiring a third-party financial guarantee as a condition of admission, expedited admission or continued stay unless the third-party has legal access to a resident's income;
- LB1220, introduced by Bosn, which updates property law regarding personal representatives, small estate affidavits, payments and transfers to minors and the roles of trustees and conservators;
- LB1265, sponsored by Conrad, which requires the Commission on Public Advocacy to establish eligibility criteria and guidelines for service providers seeking funds from the Legal Aid and Services Fund and clarifies that grants should be awarded only to legal service providers offering direct legal representation; and
- LB1268, also introduced by Conrad, which raises the homestead exemption from \$60,000 to \$120,000 regarding judgment liens and forced sale.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

The bill passed on a 45-0 vote.

LB175, introduced by Lincoln Sen. George Dungan, failed to advance from general file after an unsuccessful motion to end debate.

Under the bill, tenants could have received clean slate relief – or the automatic sealing of the court record – if a trial court issued an order dismissing an eviction proceeding against them. It also would have created a process for tenants to seek clean slate relief under certain circumstances, including instances when an eviction was initiated but not carried out or was later reversed or vacated.

Dungan filed a cloture motion after eight hours of debate, which failed on a 30-16 vote.

Ralston Sen. Merv Riepe introduced LB1109, which would have allowed women to receive an abortion at up to 20 weeks of pregnancy if the fetus has a fatal fetal anomaly. The bill also would have repealed criminal penalties for intentionally or recklessly performing an abortion in violation of state law, which currently is a Class IV offense.

LB1109 did not advance from committee. ■



Sen. George Dungan



Sen. Merv Riepe

# NATURAL RESOURCES



Sen. Bruce Bostelman, chairperson of the Natural Resources Committee

**B**ills intended to ensure the reliability of the electric grid and better balance the conservation of Nebraska's threatened and endangered species with highway maintenance were among those advanced by the Natural Resources Committee this session.

## Omnibus bill

Under LB867, introduced by Brainard Sen. Bruce Bostelman, the state Game and Parks Commission may maintain a hunting and fishing guide and outfitter database on its website and charge a registration fee to administer it. Applicants who meet the bill's requirements will be placed in the database for three years.

Also included in LB867 are the provisions of six other bills heard by the committee this session.

The amended provisions of LB866, also sponsored by Bostelman, eliminate a requirement that at least one member of the Nebraska Power Review Board be an accountant and increase the number of consecutive terms a member may serve from two to three.

The bill allows no more than one person who has been a director, officer or employee of any electric utility or an elective state officer to serve on the board at the same time.

The bill also increases the per diem for most board members from \$60 to \$100 and raises the cap on total annual pay from \$6,000 to \$7,000.

The amended provisions of LB868, introduced by Bostelman, extend the Petroleum Release Remedial Action Cash Fund's sunset date from June 30, 2024, to June 30, 2028. They also direct investment earnings to the fund and repeal a provision allowing transfers to the state's General Fund.

The amended provisions of LB971, sponsored by Sen. Loren Lippincott of Central City, require the commission to issue upon application a free, one-day hunting permit, habitat stamp and Nebraska migratory waterfowl stamp to any veteran who is a Nebraska resident and was discharged or separated under honorable conditions.



Sen. Loren Lippincott

The permit and stamps are valid only on Veterans Day in the year in which they are issued.

The amended provisions of LB1001, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Danielle Conrad, require the commission to establish a migratory waterfowl hunting season for veterans and members of the armed forces during which those individuals may hunt as long as they have a valid hunting permit and all required stamps.



Sen. Danielle Conrad

The amended provisions of LB1406, sponsored by Sen. Rita Sanders of Bellevue, require the commission to offer an annual park entry permit to active-duty military members who are stationed in Nebraska. The fee is \$5, regardless of residency.



Sen. Rita Sanders

Finally, the provisions of LB636, introduced by Thurston Sen. Joni Albrecht, prohibit political subdivisions from enacting any ordinance or other policy that restricts or prohibits the types or fuel sources of energy that natural gas utilities, natural gas transmission companies and certain other entities may use or deliver to serve customers.



Sen. Joni Albrecht

LB867 passed on a vote of 47-0 and took effect immediately.

## Power generation

LB1370, introduced by Bostelman, requires public power districts and other public power entities to provide notice to the Nebraska Power Review Board prior to a final decision on whether a dispatchable electric generation facility with a capacity of more than 100 megawatts should be retired.

After receiving notice of the proposed decommissioning, the board may hold a hearing, which will be closed to the public. Regardless of whether a hearing is held, the board must provide written recommendations as to whether the closure is in the best interests of the entity and its customers.

Recommendations are advisory only, but the entity is required to consider them before making a final decision.

The bill's requirements do not apply to any decision to retire a facility made prior to the bill's effective date.

LB1370 also includes provisions of four other measures considered by the committee this session.

The amended provisions of LB120, introduced by Bostelman last session, require electric suppliers to provide written notice to the Power Review Board before commencing construction on or acquiring certain electric generation facilities or transmission lines located within a 10-mile radius of a military installation. A similar requirement applies to the owner of a privately developed renewable energy generation facility.

The notice will certify that the facilities contain no materials, electronics or other components manufactured by any foreign government or foreign nongovernment person determined to be a foreign adversary under federal regulations.

An electric supplier is exempt from the requirement if it certifies to the board that it complies with the critical infrastructure protection requirements issued by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.

The bill also allows a private developer to certify that they are in compliance with the NERC requirements if the facility is connected to the grid under certain conditions.

The amended provisions of LB956, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, require an owner of a wind energy conversion system to apply to the Federal Aviation Administration for approval to install and operate light-mitigating technology on the system before it begins operation, after it commences a substantial physical modification — or repower — or after extending, renewing or executing a power purchase



Sen. Eliot Bostar

agreement in certain circumstances.

The requirement goes into effect July 1, 2025.

The bill requires an owner to install the technology on wind turbines within two years of receiving FAA approval. The owner of a system existing prior to July 1, 2025, that does not commence a repower is required to install the technology on or before July 1, 2035.

The amended provisions of LB969, introduced by Sen. Barry DeKay of Niobrara, increase the minimum dollar amount thresholds of certain projects for which a public power district is required to advertise for sealed bids.



Sen. Barry DeKay



Sen. Mike Jacobson

The provisions of LB1260, sponsored by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, allow a director of a public power and irrigation district to have an interest in a residential lease or water service agreement with the district and to discuss or vote on those agreements.

Lawmakers voted 40-0 to pass LB1370, which took effect immediately.

Certain developers of energy generation facilities in Nebraska will be required to hold a public meeting regarding their plans under another bill advanced by the committee.

Under LB399, introduced by Sen. Tom Brewer of Gordon and passed 46-0, the applicant for any proposed electric generation or privately developed renewable energy generation facility with a generating capacity greater than 10 megawatts must hold at least one public meeting with advance notice in one of the counties in which the proposed facility will be located.



Sen. Tom Brewer

At least 50% of the governing body of the electric supplier must attend the meeting either in person or by videoconference and at least one member must be physically present. Real property owners must have an opportunity to comment on the proposed facility and a report of the meeting must be provided to the Nebraska Power Review Board.

The bill's provisions do not apply if the proposed facility will be located on real property owned by the applicant at the time of the application.

LB399 also changes a requirement for filing a decommissioning plan for private energy suppliers from the tenth year of operation to the sixth year.



## Other measures

Under LB1335, sponsored by Columbus Sen. Mike Moser, the Nebraska Nongame and Endangered Species Conservation Act will not apply to any action of state agencies, political subdivisions or their contractors when designing, constructing, reconstructing, repairing, operating or maintaining transportation infrastructure, with some exceptions.



Sen. Mike Moser

The act will apply to any initial action by an exempt party that creates new transportation infrastructure in areas not previously dedicated to the exempt party's lawful duties or any subsequent action that increases the area of existing transportation infrastructure, which includes roads, streets and highways.

LB1335 also requires state agencies to ensure, in con-

sultation with the state Game and Parks Commission, that any action authorized, funded or carried out by the agency is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of critical habitat.

Under the bill, public roads, streets, highways and any associated right-of-way are considered manmade structures and are not critical habitat for purposes of NESCA.

As part of the consultation process, the commission can permit an agency's incidental taking of an endangered or threatened species.

LB1335 also requires an exempted party to consider a transportation project's impact on endangered or threatened species and restore areas of temporary disturbance on real property it owns after construction, reconstruction, repair, operation or maintenance, to the extent it deems practical.

The bill passed on a 35-3 vote. ■

# NEBRASKA RETIREMENT SYSTEMS



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

Senators approved measures this session that make changes to laws covering administration of the retirement programs of the Nebraska State Patrol and certain firefighters.

Previously under the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System, the contribution rate for both members and the state was 16% or 17% of a member's monthly compensation, depending on the hire date. LB196, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, reduced the contribution rate for patrol members to 10% and increased the state contribution rate to 24%.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

The bill also extends the deadline to file a claim under the state's In the Line of Duty Compensation Act from one year to three years after the date of death and provides for review of a denied claim by the Lancaster County District Court.

LB196 passed on a 45-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Changes also were made to the plan covering certain

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

LB686, sponsored by Fremont Sen. Lynne Walz and passed on a 43-2 vote, made a number of changes to the retirement plans of firefighters in those cities, including a series of adjustments to contribution rates.



Sen. Lynne Walz

Under the bill, the current firefighter contribution rate of 6.5% will increase gradually to reach 12.7% beginning Oct. 1, 2026. The city contribution rate will gradually increase from the current 13% to 15% beginning Oct. 1, 2026.

Beginning July 20, 2024, firefighters in an absolute coverage group – those who also contribute to Social Security – will receive an offset from their retirement contribution equal to 6.2% of their salary. Cities that employ firefighters in an absolute coverage group will receive the same offset.

The offsets will not apply to cities with a population of more than 60,000 in a county with a population of more than 100,000.

The measure also allows two or more firefighter retirement committees to choose to pool investments and administration of plan benefits through an interlocal agreement. The agreement must expressly state that the city is not responsible for ongoing management of pooled investments or any liability relating to its management.

LB686 also specifies that a surviving spouse with no minor children who remarries is entitled to the difference between what remains in the firefighter's employee account less any amounts paid to the firefighter and his or her beneficiaries, if any.

The measure includes provisions of two other bills heard by the committee.

Originally introduced by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, provisions of LB221 change the definition of salary for firefighters in first class cities. The new definition includes all amounts paid to a participating firefighter by the employing city for personal services as reported on the participant's federal income tax withholding statement, overtime, call-back and call-in pay. It excludes clothing allowances.



Sen. Teresa Ibach

Finally, provisions of Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell's LB197 amend the definition of eligible employees who may participate in a Social Security referendum by removing the prohibition on participation by police officers and firefighters. ■

# REVENUE



Sen. Lou Ann Linehan, chairperson of the Revenue Committee

The Revenue Committee advanced bills this session creating an array of tax credits, allowing businesses to deduct certain expenses immediately and authorizing cities to use local tax revenue to pay for the development of special retail districts.

## Property tax relief

Lawmakers passed over Gov. Jim Pillen's property tax relief proposal on final reading without voting on it.

LB388, as introduced by Elkhorn Sen. Lou Ann Linehan, would have made a technical change to state law regarding the sales tax rate.

A committee amendment would have replaced the bill with a proposal to increase the state sales tax rate, impose sales tax on the purchase of certain items and services and eliminate exemptions for others. The additional revenue would have been used to provide property tax relief.

A select file amendment replaced the bill with a proposal retaining many of the committee amendment's provisions but leaving out the proposed rate increase.

As amended, the bill would have ended the refundable

income tax credit against school taxes paid that was created under LB1107 in 2020. It instead would have "frontloaded" the funds allocated to the program by disbursing them to counties, which then would have credited each parcel based on the school district taxes levied. The credit would have appeared on the parcel's property tax statement.

LB388 also would have limited the annual increase in a political subdivision's property tax request authority to no more than 3% or the percentage change in the consumer price index, whichever was greater, in addition to a percentage based on the increase in the political subdivision's total property valuation due to new construction and other improvements to real property. Several exceptions to the limit would have applied.

At Linehan's request, Speaker John Arch of La Vista passed over LB388. The Legislature moved to the next item on the agenda without voting on the bill, ending debate on it this session.

## Tax credit package

The committee advanced a bill creating several new tax credits, including one to help Nebraskans offset expenses they incur when caring for a family member.

Under LB937, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar and passed 45-0, a family caregiver is eligible for a nonrefundable income tax credit equal to 50% of expenses incurred that are directly related to the care for and support of an eligible family member.

Total credits are limited to \$1.5 million in fiscal year 2025-26 and FY2026-27 and \$2.5 million in the following years.

As amended, LB937 contains provisions of several other bills considered by the committee this session.

Under the provisions of LB901, introduced by Linehan, purchases made by a nonprofit organization are exempt from state sales and use tax if the nonprofit acquires property or contracts to build, improve or repair property that will be transferred to a nonprofit whose purchases already are exempt.

The amended provisions of LB1002, sponsored by Sen. Tom Brandt of Plymouth, set the maximum amount of tax credits available under the Nebraska Biodiesel Tax Credit Act at \$1 million in FY2024-25 and \$1.5 million in the following years.

Under the amended provisions of LB1022, introduced



Sen. Eliot Bostar



Sen. Tom Brandt

by Bellevue Sen. Rita Sanders, film and television production companies may apply for a refundable income tax credit equal to at least 20% of their qualifying expenditures attributable to the production of films, documentaries and other projects in Nebraska.



Sen. Rita Sanders

The state Department of Economic Development may approve no more than \$500,000 in credits in FY2025-26 and \$1 million in the following years.

The amended provisions of LB1025, introduced by Bostar, create the Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Support Act.

The provisions allow qualifying direct support professionals who care for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities to claim a refundable state income tax credit.

Employers of direct support professionals can claim a new nonrefundable credit, as can employers that either employ an individual receiving services pursuant to a Medicaid home and community-based services waiver or provide certain services to an individual pursuant to such a waiver.

The state Department of Revenue may approve a total of \$1 million in credits in FY2025-26, \$1.5 million in FY2026-27 and \$2 million in later years.

Under a bill passed last session, grocery stores, restaurants and agricultural producers may apply for a nonrefundable state income tax credit equal to 50% of the value of food they donate to food banks, pantries or rescues, up to a maximum of \$2,500.

Under the provisions of LB1040, introduced by Sen. John Fredrickson of Omaha, the department may approve \$500,000 in credits each fiscal year beginning in FY2025-26.



Sen. John Fredrickson

The amended provisions of LB1072, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. George Dungan, allow a producer or importer of sustainable aviation fuel to claim a nonrefundable income tax credit based on the number of gallons in all sold or used qualified mixtures. The



Sen. George Dungan

department may approve \$500,000 in credits each fiscal year.

Under the amended provisions of LB1084, introduced by Sen. Teresa Ibach of Sumner, a Class III shortline rail company located wholly or partly in



Sen. Teresa Ibach

Nebraska can apply to the department for a nonrefundable tax credit equal to 50% of its qualified maintenance expenditures during the tax year.

The credit amount cannot exceed \$1,500 per mile of track. The department may approve no more than \$500,000 in credits in FY2025-26 and \$1 million in later years.

Under the provisions of LB1158, sponsored by Bostar, the state treasurer will contract with a medical debt relief coordinator to purchase and discharge medical debt of eligible residents.

Nebraska residents with a household income at or below 400% of the federal poverty guidelines or with medical debt equal to at least 5% of the individual's household income qualify. Contributions to the program's fund are deductible for state income tax purposes.

Under the amended provisions of LB1184, introduced by Bostar, Nebraska taxpayers can apply to the department for a one-time, refundable state income tax credit of up to \$1,000 to offset the cost of installing a reverse osmosis system at their primary residence if test results show high levels of nitrates, uranium or certain chemicals in the drinking water.

The department may approve a total of \$500,000 in credits in FY2024-25 and the following two fiscal years and \$1 million in later years.

The amended provisions of LB606, introduced last session by Thurston Sen. Joni Albrecht, allow individuals, passthrough entities, corporations, estates and trusts to claim a nonrefundable credit of up to 50% of their state income tax liability on contributions they make to qualifying pregnancy help organizations.



Sen. Joni Albrecht

Total credits are limited to \$500,000 in FY2025-26 and \$1 million in FY2026-27 and later years.

Provisions of Brandt's LB1047 expand the list of denaturants subject to an excise tax paid by ethanol producers and impose the tax on 2% of certain agricultural ethyl alcohol sold that is unfit for beverage purposes.

Finally, provisions of LB58, introduced last session by Sen. John Cavanaugh of Omaha, exempt diapers from state sales and use tax.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

## Omnibus bill

LB1317, sponsored by Linehan, was introduced as a placeholder. As amended, it contains the provisions of several other bills heard by the committee this session.



The provisions of LB863, also introduced by Linehan, eliminate an income tax deduction for amounts received as annuities under the Federal Employees Retirement System.

Under provisions of LB893, sponsored by Ibach, business equipment involved in the manufacturing or processing of liquid fertilizer or any other chemical applied to crops – or the manufacturing of any liquid additive for a farm vehicle fuel – qualify for a property tax exemption under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act.

The amended provisions of LB1043, introduced by Omaha Sen. Terrell McKinney, require certain nonprofit organizations that own or acquire underutilized tax-exempt property in a high-poverty area to develop the property within three years.



Sen. Terrell McKinney

The amended provisions of LB1093, sponsored by Bostar, update the First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act, which provides tuition assistance to qualifying first responders.

The provisions expand and clarify the definition of first responder to include any law enforcement officer and professional firefighter.

They also, with certain exceptions, prohibit an employer from canceling a first responder's individual or family health insurance policy if the first responder suffers serious bodily injury from an event that occurs while the first responder is acting in the line of duty.

Under the amended provisions of LB1134, introduced by Sen. R. Brad von Gillern of Elkhorn, interest on refunds and additional taxes due as a result of a decision on a property's valuation by the Tax Equalization and Review Commission will begin to accrue 30 days after the decision.



Sen. R. Brad von Gillern

The provisions also allow two commissioners to constitute a quorum to hear and determine appeals or petitions.

Provisions of Bostar's LB1184 state legislative intent to appropriate \$1 million in general funds for FY2024-25 to the state Department of Environment and Energy to fund the installation of real-time nitrate sensors in monitoring wells.

The amended provisions of LB1217, also sponsored by Bostar, update requirements for owners of rent-restricted housing projects and change how county assessors calculate valuation for those projects. They also allow the owner of a sales-restricted house to apply to the county assessor for a special valuation.

Under the provisions, certain nursing and assisted living facilities will receive a property tax exemption based

on the percentage of occupied beds provided to Medicaid beneficiaries. LB1317 also applies a property tax exemption to the commons area of a building that is owned by a charitable organization and used for student housing.

The amended provisions of LB1218, introduced by Bostar, impose an excise tax of 3 cents per kilowatt hour on the electricity used to charge electric and plug-in hybrid electric vehicles at a commercial electric vehicle charging station, beginning Jan. 1, 2028.

They also increase the additional registration fee for each motor vehicle powered by an alternative fuel from \$75 to \$150. The additional fee for a plug-in hybrid electric vehicle is \$75.

Under LB1317, an electric supplier may own, maintain and operate a direct-current, fast-charging station for retail services only at a location that is at least 15 miles from a privately owned station and at least one mile from a federally designated alternative fuel corridor.

An electric supplier is required to conduct a right of first refusal process before beginning construction of a fast-charging station.

Those requirements for electric suppliers end Dec. 1, 2027. Effective Jan. 1, 2028, an electric supplier cannot operate a fast-charging station within 10 miles of a privately owned station that already is in operation or has a building permit and interconnection request to the electric supplier.

The provisions of LB1295, sponsored by von Gillern, create the Financial Institution Data Match Act. The measure requires the state Department of Revenue to operate a data match system with each financial institution doing business in Nebraska.

Under the system, the department will provide financial institutions a list of individuals with unpaid taxes that the institutions will match to their account records. Institutions will provide the department with a list of all matches.

Provisions of LB1305, sponsored by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen, expand the definition of bullion and add or subtract net capital gains or losses to or from federal adjusted gross income, unless the gain or loss is derived from the sale of bullion as a taxable distribution from a retirement plan account.



Sen. Ben Hansen

The Good Life Transformational Projects Act, passed by the Legislature last year, authorizes the state Department of Economic Development to approve applications for "good life districts" that meet certain thresholds related to investment and job creation. Transactions within a district are subject to a reduced state sales tax rate of 2.75%.

Under the provisions of LB1374, introduced by Linehan, a city may – with voter approval – establish an economic development program for an area of the city included in a good life district and appropriate local sources of revenue to pay for development costs.

The provisions of LB1389, sponsored by Bostar, exempt broadband equipment from personal property tax if it is deployed in an area using federal Broadband Equity, Access and Deployment program funds or in a qualified census tract located in a metropolitan class city and used to provide internet access at certain speeds.

The provisions of LB1397, introduced by Sen. Dave Murman of Glenvil, exclude land used for commercial purposes that are not agricultural or horticultural – such as land used for a solar farm or wind farm – from the definition of agricultural and horticultural land for valuation purposes.



Sen. Dave Murman

LB1317 also makes changes intended to improve the accuracy of currently required reports on inheritance tax collected by counties and creates a collection system to intercept an individual's gambling winnings to pay off any child support debts or unpaid taxes.

Finally, the bill allows a publicly owned stadium in a metropolitan class city to qualify for state assistance under the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act.

LB1317 passed on a vote of 49-0 and took effect immediately.

## Other measures

The committee advanced a bill intended to incentivize Nebraska businesses to invest in new equipment and technology.

The 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act enacted by Congress allowed businesses to fully and immediately deduct expenses for certain business machinery and equipment, as well as research or experimental expenditures. Those two tax breaks have since expired, requiring businesses to deduct their expenditures over a period of several years.

Under LB1023, introduced by von Gillern and passed 49-0, state income tax deductions for business assets and research or experimental expenditures are allowed beginning with tax year 2026. The former deduction is limited to 60% of the cost of expenditures for certain business assets in the tax year in which the property is placed in service.

LB1023 includes provisions of five other bills heard by the committee this session, including two that relate to income earned by nonresidents.

Under the amended provisions of LB173, sponsored by Bostar, and LB416, introduced by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth, compensation paid to a non-resident individual does not constitute income derived from sources within Nebraska under certain conditions.



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

The provisions of LB1049, also sponsored by Bostar, decrease from 6.25% to 4% the maximum occupation tax on receipts from the sale of telecommunications service beginning Oct. 1, 2024.

Under the amended provisions of LB1113, introduced by Sen. Fred Meyer of St. Paul, business equipment used primarily for the capture and compression of carbon dioxide is eligible for a personal property tax exemption under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act.



Sen. Fred Meyer

The amended provisions of LB1400, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Beau Ballard on behalf of the governor, allow an employer that pays relocation expenses for a qualifying employee to apply to the state Department of Revenue for a refundable state income tax credit of up to \$5,000 per employee.



Sen. Beau Ballard

The credit also can be used to offset premium and related retaliatory taxes and franchise taxes.

The committee also advanced a bill intended to help recruit and retain Nebraska National Guard members.

LB1394, sponsored by Sen. Tom Brewer of Gordon at the request of the governor and passed 41-0, allows guard members to exclude certain income – including income received for attending drills, annual training and military schools – from their federal adjusted gross income for state tax purposes beginning with tax year 2025.



Sen. Tom Brewer

A bill modifying Nebraska's homestead exemption program also advanced from committee.

LB126, introduced last session by Sen. Jen Day of Omaha and passed on a vote of 49-0, allows current homestead exemption recipients to remain eligible for an exemption if a valuation increase pushes the value of their homestead above the allowed maximum.



Sen. Jen Day

For homesteads valued at or above the maximum value, the exempt

amount will not be reduced and the homestead will remain eligible for an exemption for the current year if it received an exemption in the previous year, was valued below the maximum value in the previous year and is not ineligible for an exemption for any reason other than exceeding the maximum value by at least \$20,000.

The exception does not apply if the valuation increase is due to improvements to the homestead.

LB126 includes provisions of LB1151, sponsored by Norfolk Sen. Robert Dover, which update the definition of “occupy” under the homestead exemption program. Under LB126, a departure from a property for health or legal reasons does not disqualify an owner from receiving an exemption so long as they demonstrate an intention to return to the property.



Sen. Robert Dover



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

Also included are provisions of LB1019, introduced by Sen. Rick Holdcroft of Bellevue. They require county assessors or clerks to correct the assessment and tax rolls after a final order of an applicable administrative body or court.

Consideration of a proposal to fund additional programs and services with a tax increase on real estate transactions ended on the final round of debate after senators passed over it without taking a vote.

Currently, counties collect a documentary stamp tax at

a rate of \$2.25 for each \$1,000 in value on the transfer of real estate. Counties remit all but 50 cents of each \$2.25 collected to the state treasurer, who credits the proceeds to funds related to affordable housing, site development, homeless shelter assistance and behavioral health services.

LB1363, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Mike McDonnell, would have raised the rate to \$3.25 for each \$1,000 in value and directed the proceeds to several additional uses, including military-related programs, federally qualified health centers and the establishment and operation of an office to pursue and coordinate grant funding on behalf of the state.



Sen. Mike McDonnell

The bill was amended to include provisions of LB1067, introduced by Sen. Robert Clements of Elmwood, which would have cut the inheritance tax rate that applies to remote relatives from 11% to 8% and the rate that applies to all other beneficiaries from 15% to 8%.



Sen. Robert Clements

LB1363 would have allowed counties to retain \$1.15 of each \$3.25 in documentary stamp tax collected to offset lost inheritance tax revenue.

At McDonnell’s request, Arch passed over the bill. The Legislature moved to the next item on the agenda without voting on LB1363. ■

# TRANSPORTATION & TELECOMMUNICATIONS



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

The Transportation and Telecommunications Committee advanced measures this session to harmonize broadband internet standards, create new requirements related to Nebraska's 911 service system and help recruit and retain emergency care providers.

## Broadband, 911 service system

LB1031, sponsored by Brainard Sen. Bruce Bostelman, updates several areas of state law to define qualifying broadband service as being capable of providing internet access at speeds of at least 100 megabits per second for downloading and 20 Mbps for uploading.

Under the bill, the Nebraska Public Service Commission may not provide ongoing high-cost support from the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund for any broadband serviceable location not capable of internet access at



Sen. Bruce Bostelman

those speeds unless it is subject to a federally enforceable commitment for deployment of infrastructure capable of those speeds.

The requirement takes effect 18 months after the bill's operative date.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2029, the commission may not provide ongoing high-cost support for those locations regardless of any federally enforceable commitment.

The provisions of five other bills heard by the committee this session also are included in LB1031.

The provisions of LB865, also sponsored by Bostelman, require broadband internet service providers operating in Nebraska to submit an annual report to the Nebraska Broadband Office with information on each standard internet service plan advertised by the provider and associated rates.

Under the provisions of LB1038, introduced by Sen. Barry DeKay of Niobrara, at least one of the five members representing the general public on the Nebraska Information Technology Commission must have agriculture as their principal business or occupation.



Sen. Barry DeKay

The provisions of LB1180, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Anna Wishart, revise standards and criteria that determine eligibility of deaf, hard of hearing and speech-impaired Nebraskans who apply to the PSC for specialized telecommunications equipment.

Under the bill, two residents at the same address can receive equipment, and a recipient can reapply for assistance every three years instead of every five.



Sen. Anna Wishart

The amended provisions of LB1255, introduced by Sen. John Fredrickson of Omaha, require originating service providers, providers of telecommunications relay services and the state's next-generation 911 service contractor to ensure that 911 calls are transmitted to the next-generation 911 network no later than Jan. 1, 2026.



Sen. John Fredrickson

Providers and the contractor also are required to cause all translation and routing to be completed to deliver all 911 calls to the network.

Providers may enter into an agreement with the commission to establish an alternative deadline for meeting the requirements.

Additionally, providers and the contractor must enter into an agreement to meet the transmission, translation and routing requirements no later than 10 months before



the 2026 deadline. If no agreement is reached by then, they are required to notify the PSC to seek resolution.

The bill also requires the contractor to submit an annual report to the committee and the PSC on the capabilities and redundancies of the next-generation 911 network.

Under the amended provisions of LB1256, sponsored by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, a communications service provider required to file reports regarding 911 service system outages with the Federal Communications Commission also is required to file copies of those reports with the PSC.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

The bill requires the PSC to hold a public hearing within 90 days of receiving a report. The requirement does not apply if a provider withdraws the report filed with the FCC or if the PSC waives it by a majority vote.

Lawmakers voted 47-0 to pass LB1031, which took effect immediately.

The committee also advanced a bill intended to speed deployment of broadband internet service to Nebraska's rural areas.

Under LB61, introduced by Sen. Tom Brandt of Plymouth and passed 47-0, any agency or political subdivision of the state may lease or license the unused or "dark" portions of its fiber optic telecommunications infrastructure.



Sen. Tom Brandt

Dark fiber licenses are allowed only if they are used to provide service to unserved locations, defined as locations where broadband is not available by certain technologies at speeds of at least 100 Mbps for downloading and at least 20 Mbps for uploading and no internet service provider has a legal agreement with the federal government or the state to make broadband service available at those speeds.

The license rate must be within or above the safe harbor range of market rates established by the PSC.

The bill requires that revenue from a dark fiber license be used only for costs associated with the license or existing dark fiber infrastructure. Revenue from the sale or delivery of electricity may not be used for costs associated with the licensing of dark fiber.

LB61 also creates a process by which an internet service provider may file a challenge with the commission alleging that a dark fiber license does not serve an unserved location.

A proposal that would cap fees and set deadlines for permitting the installation of broadband internet infrastructure on certain utility poles and towers remained in committee.

Under LB1112, introduced by Elmwood Sen. Robert Clements, counties, cities and other local governing entities that require a permit for the placement of communications infrastructure on public or private utility poles and towers located in their jurisdiction could have charged an application fee of no more than \$100 and a permit fee of no more than \$250.



Sen. Robert Clements

Local governments could not have allowed a third-party reviewer to assess any charges to an applicant. Cities and counties that contract with a third-party reviewer would have been required to pay for those services.

## Omnibus bill

LB1200, sponsored by Columbus Sen. Mike Moser, updates state law to conform with federal regulations and makes technical changes requested by the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

The bill also contains provisions of five other measures considered by the committee this session.

The provisions of LB226, introduced by Brandt, allow a contracting agency, when entering into a construction manager-general contractor contract, to combine the separate qualification and proposal steps into a single-step process if the agency determines that a single-step process is in its best interest.

The provisions of LB891, sponsored by Sen. Carolyn Bosn of Lincoln, update the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Act to clarify that a manufacturer is any person who manufactures, assembles or distributes motor vehicles.



Sen. Carolyn Bosn

Under the bill, a manufacturer or distributor may not own a service facility or perform warranty or nonwarranty work on its vehicles unless it manufactures or distributes electric vehicles and is not a franchisor.

The provisions of LB900, also introduced by Brandt, increase maximum truck length from 40 to 45 feet.

The provisions of LB929, sponsored by Fredrickson, require the state Department of Health and Human Services to coordinate with the PSC to ensure that the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline can connect callers to, and receive communications from, the 911 service system.

The commission is required to adopt statewide standards providing for dual capability so that it will be operational by Jan. 1, 2025.

Finally, the provisions of LB966, introduced by DeKay, govern the movement of vehicular traffic facing flashing

yellow arrow and steady red arrow indications. They also increase the precision with which the state Department of Transportation calculates Nebraska's fuel tax rate.

LB1200 passed on a vote of 47-0 and took effect immediately.

## Rail safety

A bill intended to improve train safety in Nebraska stalled on general file after a failed cloture motion.

Under LB31, introduced by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, a train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight would have been required to operate with a crew of at least two individuals.

As introduced, the crew requirement would not have applied to trains or light engines operated by utility employees, during hostler or helper service or for the purpose of loading or unloading freight or grain so long as the train was not moving faster than 10 miles per hour.

As amended, the bill would have eliminated the speed restriction and exempted Class III rail carriers from the two-person crew requirement.

After eight hours of first-round debate, Jacobson filed a motion to invoke cloture, which ceases debate and forces a vote on the bill and any pending amendments.

The motion failed on a vote of 24-19. Thirty-three votes were needed.

Another bill aimed at improving rail safety remained in committee.

LB1212, sponsored by Sen. Lynne Walz of Fremont, would have limited the length of trains carrying hazardous substances on a main line in Nebraska to 8,500 feet.

Additionally, a railroad operating a train on a main line would have been required to have a wayside detector system installed at least every 20 miles and to stop and inspect a train from the ground after receiving a defect message from the system.

Railroads also would have been prohibited from blocking public crossings for longer than 10 minutes and been required to offer hazardous materials training to fire departments and maintain insurance coverage adequate to pay for costs, damages and liabilities related to accidents.

## Infrastructure funding

LB600, introduced by Sen. Loren Lippincott of Central

City, creates the Municipality Infrastructure Aid Act, which is intended to help certain Nebraska cities pay for infrastructure improvements needed to attract manufacturers and other companies.

Under the act, first or second class cities or villages with a redevelopment plan approved under the Community Development Law may apply to the state Department of Economic Development for a grant to finance water and sewer systems, roads, bridges and activities related to site development.

Applications must include a cost-benefit analysis of the redevelopment plan. Only applications with a positive analysis may receive a grant.

Grants are limited to no more than \$5 million per application, and grantees must provide matching funds equal to at least 25% of the amount of the grant.

The bill requires the state treasurer to transfer \$5 million from the state Cash Reserve Fund to the new program's fund before July 15, 2024.

LB600 passed on a vote of 47-0 and took effect immediately.

A new working group will award state matching funds to repair and replace county bridges under another bill advanced by the committee.

The County Bridge Match Program, created by the Legislature in 2016 and administered by the state Department of Transportation, provides state funding to accelerate the repair and replacement of deficient bridges on the county road system.

LB1030, introduced by Bostelman, creates the County Bridge Match Working Group, which will develop criteria for program participation, as well as for county matching fund requirements. The group also will score applications and award funds.

The governor will appoint two of the group's members from a list of county highway superintendents, county surveyors or county engineers submitted by a statewide association representing county officials. The department director will select three department members to serve on the group.

LB1030 requires the state treasurer to make two \$4 million transfers, one this year and another in 2025, from the Road Operations Cash Fund to the Transportation Infrastructure Bank Fund to be used for the County Bridge Match Program.

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

LB1108, sponsored by Adams Sen. Myron Dorn, re-



Sen. Loren Lippincott



Sen. Mike Jacobson



Sen. Lynne Walz

quires the state treasurer to transfer \$1.27 million from the state Game and Parks Commission Capital Maintenance Fund to the Nebraska Emergency Medical System Operations Fund each fiscal year beginning in June 2025.

The latter fund is used to carry out activities related to the design, maintenance or enhancement of the statewide trauma system and to support emergency medical services programs.

Under the bill, the fund also will be used to provide financial support for the statewide patient care reporting system and trauma registry and for the recruitment, retention and training of emergency care providers.

LB1108 also requires the state Department of Health and Human Services to submit an annual report to the Legislature that explains how the money appropriated to the department from the fund was spent or why it was not spent.

Senators voted 46-0 to pass the bill, which took effect immediately.

## Other measures

LB140, introduced by Brandt and passed 45-0, authorizes 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.

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

Under LB1004, sponsored by Sen. Ben Hansen of Blair, a Nebraska resident who is 21 or older and received a Class M license prior to May 1, 2024, may operate a motorcycle or moped on Nebraska highways without a helmet if they complete a three-hour online motorcycle safety course and submit proof of completion to the state Department of Motor Vehicles.

Riders who are 21 or older and receive a license after



Sen. Myron Dorn



Sen. Ben Hansen

May 1, 2024, are not required to wear a helmet if they complete the full basic motorcycle safety course and submit proof of completion to the department.

Under the bill, nonresidents who are 21 or older and ride without a helmet no longer are required to show proof of motorcycle rider course completion to a law enforcement officer upon request. They are required to have a motorcycle license issued by another state.

LB1004 also eliminates the requirement that motorcycle or moped passengers complete a safety course before riding without a helmet. A passenger who is 21 or older may ride without a helmet if the person operating the motorcycle is not required to wear a helmet.

Lawmakers voted 39-4 to pass the bill, which took effect immediately.

The state would have provided grants to nonprofit organizations that operate bike-sharing programs under a bill that remained in committee.

Under LB1250, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, the state Department of Economic Development would have established the grant program and awarded grants to nonprofits it deemed eligible.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

A bill intended to deter distracted driving and speeding also remained in committee.

LB1340, sponsored by Sen. Kathleen Kauth of Omaha, would have increased fines for speeding on highways or freeways. Under the bill, a driver would have been guilty of a Class I misdemeanor if the violation involved traveling more than 35 miles per hour over the limit.



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

Under current law, a person who unintentionally kills another while operating a motor vehicle in violation of state law or city or village ordinance commits motor vehicle homicide. LB1340 would have made motor vehicle homicide a Class III felony if the proximate cause of the death was texting while driving. ■

# URBAN AFFAIRS



Sen. Terrell McKinney, chairperson of the Urban Affairs Committee

The Urban Affairs Committee advanced bills this session intended to coordinate anti-poverty initiatives, address concerns about Omaha's public housing agency and give community members greater say in the development of a proposed inland port district in Omaha.

## Anti-poverty, housing agency requirements

LB840, introduced by Omaha Sen. Terrell McKinney and passed on a vote of 28-19, requires certain cities to adopt a poverty elimination action plan no later than July 1, 2025, reevaluate the plan every two years and update it every five. Cities must submit the plans to the Urban Affairs Committee and the Clerk of the Legislature.

Each city's plan must outline its goals for eliminating poverty in current high-poverty areas, qualified census tracts and economic redevelopment areas and describe its planned use of federal, state and local incentives to reach that goal.

In addition to the plans, LB840 requires cities to submit a report to the committee every other year describing their

efforts to eliminate poverty.

The requirements apply only to primary and metropolitan class cities. Lincoln is the state's only primary class city, and Omaha is its only metropolitan class city.

LB840 also contains provisions of four other bills heard by the committee this session.

The amended provisions of LB530, sponsored by McKinney, make several changes related to local housing agencies established by metropolitan class cities.

Under the bill, the mayor will appoint an agency's nine commissioners — an increase from seven — including three resident commissioners. A commissioner may not have an ownership interest in or be employed by any entity doing business with the agency.

The bill requires a housing agency to comply with federal regulations regarding administrative grievance procedures and establish a complaint process for residents.

Additionally, commissioners must hold a board meeting at least once every 90 days at a public housing facility that has at least 100 units. The agency is required to post all meeting notices and agendas in common spaces.

Currently, a housing agency resident has the opportunity to contest the termination of their tenancy in a hearing conducted by the agency.

The amended provisions of LB1046, sponsored by Sen. John Cavanaugh of Omaha, create new requirements for that process and for related eviction proceedings if a premises is located in a metropolitan class city.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

Beginning July 1, 2025, counsel must be appointed for the resident prior to the termination hearing unless they already are represented. If the resident does not request a hearing and the housing agency files an eviction, the county court is required to appoint counsel to represent the resident during eviction proceedings.

The housing agency will pay for any court-appointed counsel and cannot assess a fee against any resident for legal services provided.

LB840 also contains two proposals intended to address Nebraska's affordable housing shortage.

The amended provisions of LB881, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Beau Ballard, change the definition of urban community in the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act to allow cities in Lancaster and Sarpy counties other than Lincoln and Omaha to qualify for grants under the act.



Sen. Beau Ballard

The provisions of LB843, also sponsored by McKinney,



increase from \$5 million to \$10 million the maximum grant that the state Department of Economic Development may award to a nonprofit development organization under the act.

The bill also decreases the amount of matching funds an applicant must provide from at least 50% of the grant funds awarded to at least 25%.

## Inland port authorities, community development

LB164, introduced by McKinney, makes several changes to the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act, which the Legislature created in 2021.

The act allows qualifying cities and counties to create an inland port authority with the power to plan and develop an inland port district. Up to five inland port districts may be designated throughout the state.

LB164 allows no more than one district to be created in a metropolitan class city.

The bill requires an inland port authority within the boundaries of a metropolitan class city to create and operate an innovation district, conduct quarterly public input meetings, create and maintain a community advisory committee and meet several other requirements.

LB164 also requires the state Department of Economic Development to meet certain requirements before releasing approximately \$90 million in grant funds it awarded to a nonprofit to develop a North Omaha business park.

Additionally, the bill requires the state treasurer to transfer \$30 million from the Economic Recovery Contingency Fund to a new Inland Port Authority Fund. The treasurer also will transfer a certain amount of interest earned on federal coronavirus relief funds, as well as on funds related to the Perkins County Canal Project and the construction of a new state prison, to the Inland Port Authority Fund for the next two fiscal years.

The treasurer will use the new fund to provide grants to an inland port authority created within the boundaries of a metropolitan class city.

The treasurer also will transfer \$7 million from the Economic Recovery Contingency Fund to the Museum Construction and Maintenance Fund for the construction of a new museum at Fort Robinson State Park. The state Game and Parks Commission is required to build and manage the museum.

Finally, LB164 includes provisions of LB1416, introduced by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen. They create two grant programs intended to increase Nebraska's child care capacity.

Under the first program, the state Department of Economic Development will award grants to cities, villages, counties, nonprofits and other eligible recipients identified by a statewide organization that supports children and families.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

Applicants are required to provide a one-to-one match before receiving a grant. They may use the funds to provide financial support to a licensed child care program or a license-exempt provider serving children enrolled in a child care subsidy program, among several other uses.

Under the second program, the department will provide grants to certain new and existing licensed family child care programs and to regional hubs that will provide administrative and technical support to those programs.

LB164 passed on a vote of 37-6 and took effect immediately.

Another bill advanced by the committee renames and expands a community development law and limits the number of special retail districts that may be created statewide.

The Nebraska Innovation Hub Act allows the director of the state Department of Economic Development to designate private nonprofit corporations and postsecondary educational institutions as innovation hubs in certain geographic areas to stimulate partnerships, economic development and job creation.

LB1344, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Justin Wayne and passed 41-0, allows an innovation hub to be located within an inland port district, 30 miles of a certain reservoir or any county with a population of less than 100,000.



Sen. Justin Wayne

The bill increases the maximum number of innovation hubs that may be designated in the state's 1st Congressional District from four to six and in the 2nd Congressional District from three to four.

LB1344 also contains provisions of Wayne's LB1356, which expand the definition of community betterment organization to include inland port authorities.

The bill renames and modifies the Community Development Assistance Act, which allows cities, villages, counties and other community betterment organizations engaged in eligible activities in community development areas to apply to the DED to have one or more programs certified for tax credit status.

Under the new Creating High Impact Economic Futures Act, agribusinesses, innovation hubs and inland port authorities also are classified as community betterment

organizations.

The definition of community development area expands to include economic redevelopment areas, enterprise zones, counties with a population of less than 10,000 and inland port districts.

The operations of inland port authorities, sports complexes and intermodal facilities are among the new activities that are eligible for tax credit status.

Under the bill, individuals are eligible for a nonrefundable income tax credit equal to 100% of their contributions to a community betterment organization's certified programs or projects. Passthrough entities, corporations and estates or trusts are eligible for a nonrefundable credit equal to 50% of their contributions.

LB1344 limits total credits for 2025 and 2026 to \$900,000 per year, with a total of \$300,000 per year for each congressional district. The annual limit increases to \$3 million for 2027 and later years, with a total of \$1 million per year for each district.

The maximum amount of credits per program or project is limited to \$150,000 per year for both the 1st and 3rd congressional districts.

Finally, LB1344 contains provisions of Wayne's LB1228, under which no more than five good life districts may be created statewide. Under the bill, only one good life district may be created in a county with a population of 500,000 or more, not including a district created within an inland port district. ■

# BILL STATUS



S = signed by the governor, P = passed by the Legislature, V = vetoed, LV - line-item vetoed, VO = veto overridden, FR = final reading, SF = select file, GF = general file, C = held in committee, IPP = indefinitely postponed, W = withdrawn, > = amended into bill #, + = includes bill #  
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LB20A	Wayne	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB25	Wayne	V	Allow claims involving child abuse or sexual assault of a child under the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act	15
LB31	Jacobson	GF	Require train crews of at least two individuals as prescribed	5
LB32	Jacobson	C (>852)	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	
LB41	Hansen	GF (>43)	Prohibit state agencies from imposing annual filing and reporting requirements on charitable organizations	4, 10
LB43	Sanders	S (+41, 277, 297, 366, 637, 650)	Adopt the First Freedom Act and the Personal Privacy Protection Act, authorize tribal regalia to be worn by students, change provisions relating to withholding records from the public, provide requirements for interpretation of statutes, rules, and regulations, and prohibit state agencies from imposing certain requirements on charitable organizations	4, 10, 12
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LB58	J. Cavanaugh	C (>937)	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for diapers	13, 15
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LB62	M. Cavanaugh	S (+871, 1237)	Provide for coverage of translation and interpretation services under the medical assistance program, change reporting requirements related to the medical assistance program, and require a report regarding to the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program	10, 15
LB62A	M. Cavanaugh	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB71	Sanders	S (+1193, 1201)	Change provisions relating to early childhood education, parental involvement in and access to learning materials in schools, and the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act and provide a process for repeating a grade upon request	
LB71A	Sanders	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB102	Erdman	S	Change provisions relating to the Land Surveyors Regulation Act and the Nebraska Plane Coordinate System Act	4, 9
LB111	McDonnell	GF	Adopt the Nebraska Volunteer Service Commission Act	6
LB120	Bostelman	C (>1370)	Eliminate obsolete provisions relating to a Nebraska Power Review Board study	12, 15
LB126	Day	S (+1019, 1151)	Change provisions relating to homestead exemptions and property assessment and tax rolls	12, 15
LB126A	Day	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB130	Dorn	S (+942)	State intent regarding medicaid nursing facility rates, require reports, and change quality assurance assessments for nursing facilities	
LB130A	Dorn	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB137	Bosn	SF	Provide for a penalty enhancement for a controlled substances violation resulting in serious bodily injury or death	8
LB140	Brandt	S	Provide for Czech Heritage license plates	6
LB143	Conrad	GF	Provide for year-round daylight saving time	6

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LB164	McKinney	S (+1416)	Change provisions relating to the Economic Recovery Act, the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act, the Nebraska Rural Projects Act, grants awarded by the Department of Economic Development, and transfers of funds and investment earnings, provide for a museum at Fort Robinson State Park, and adopt the Child Care Capacity Building and Workforce Act	3, 13, 15
LB164A	McKinney	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB172	Bostar	GF (>716)	Adopt updated electrical standards	
LB173	Bostar	C (>1023)	Change provisions relating to the taxation of nonresident income	12, 15
LB175	Dungan	GF (+1312)	Adopt the Residential Tenant Clean Slate Act	10
LB184	J. Cavanaugh	S	Provide for inadmissibility of statements of juveniles during transfer proceedings	4, 9
LB196	Bostar	S	Change provisions of the In the Line of Duty Compensation Act and the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act	14, 15
LB196A	McDonnell	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB197	McDonnell	C (>686)	Redefine eligible employees voting in a referendum relating to social security	
LB198	McDonnell	S (+378, 1365)	Change provisions relating to participation in and implementation of public retirement provisions	
LB204A	Riepe	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB218A	Ibach	FR	Appropriation Bill	
LB221	Ibach	C (>686)	Redefine salary under the retirement plan for firefighters of a city of the first class	
LB226	Brandt	C (>1200)	Change provisions relating to construction manager-general contractor contracts and public-private partnerships under the Transportation Innovation Act	10, 15
LB231	Dungan	GF	Change provisions related to student attendance and require plans for excessive absences	12, 15
LB233	J. Cavanaugh	S	Provide for child support payment disregard under the aid to dependent children program and pass through of certain child support payments	14, 15
LB233A	J. Cavanaugh	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB253	Brewer	S	Provide for creation of a veteran justice program	8, 12, 15
LB262	Agriculture	S (+264, 305, 321, 999, 1061, 1207)	Change and eliminate provisions relating to warehouse operators, hemp, the Grain Dealer Act, the Grain Warehouse Act, the Nebraska Agricultural Products Marketing Act, the Nebraska Hemp Farming Act, the Nebraska Corn Resources Act, the Nebraska Pure Food Act, and the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	10, 11, 15
LB262A	Halloran	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB263	Agriculture	GF	Change provisions of the Nebraska Hemp Farming Act	10
LB264	Agriculture	GF (>262)	Change provisions of the Grain Dealer Act and the Grain Warehouse Act	10
LB269	Halloran	IPP (>287)	Eliminate obsolete provisions relating to redistricting and boundary changes after the 2020 federal decennial census	6, 11, 15
LB277	Brewer	GF (>43)	Adopt the First Freedom Act and authorize the wearing of tribal regalia by students	4, 10, 12
LB285	Walz	SF	Adopt the School Community Eligibility Provision Maximization Act	6
LB287	Brewer	S (+47, 269, 302, 313, 513, 514, 861, 1152, 1191)	Eliminate obsolete provisions relating to the 2020 federal decennial census and provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to petitions, proof of publication, conflicts of interest, voter registration and voting as prescribed in the Election Act, and notice and virtual conferencing requirements under the Open Meetings Act, and eliminate powers and duties of the Attorney General and the Secretary of State	6, 11, 15
LB287A	Brewer	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB297	Sanders	GF (>43)	Adopt the Personal Privacy Protection Act	10, 12
LB299	Linehan	S	Require approval by the voters of a school district or educational service unit for the issuance of certain bonds under the Interlocal Cooperation Act	6
LB302	Linehan	GF (>287)	Change provisions relating to conflicts of interest by certain officeholders and public employees	6, 11, 15
LB305	Halloran	GF (>262)	Change provisions relating to grain warehouse storage rates and charges	10



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LB307	Hunt	V	Authorize syringe services programs in municipalities and counties and provide exceptions to penalties related to drug paraphernalia under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	4, 7, 9, 10, 11
LB308	Bostar	S	Adopt the Genetic Information Privacy Act	4, 6
LB313	Lowe	C (>287)	Change provisions relating to special elections and filling vacancies in the United States Senate and House of Representatives	6, 11, 15
LB321	Brandt	GF (>262)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Pure Food Act	11, 15
LB334	McDonnell	C (>631)	Adopt the Reentry Housing Network Act and provide a duty for the Department of Correctional Services and the Board of Parole	14, 15
LB341	Halloran	GF	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	13
LB348	Wayne	GF (>631)	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	14, 15
LB348A	Wayne	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB350	Wayne	GF (>1344)	Adopt the Pioneer Economic Tax Credit Act	
LB358	Walz	S	State intent to increase dental services reimbursement under the Medical Assistance Act	6, 15
LB358A	Walz	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB366	Conrad	C (>43)	Change provisions relating to public records and include body-worn camera recordings in certain circumstances	4, 10, 12
LB378	McDonnell	C (>198)	Change retirement system participation provisions	
LB388	Linehan	FR (+1299, 1310,1349, 1354)	Adopt the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act, the Advertising Services Tax Act, and the Property Tax Relief Act and change provisions relating to revenue and taxation	14, 15
LB388A	Linehan	FR	Appropriation Bill	
LB390	Clements	GF	Change provisions relating to ballots for early voting under the Election Act	6
LB399	Brewer	S	Change provisions relating to certain proposed electric generation facilities and privately developed renewable energy generation facilities	14, 15
LB406	Brandt	C (>686)	Change retirement system contribution rates for firefighters of cities of the first class	
LB416	Kauth	C (>1023)	Change provisions relating to the taxation of nonresident income	12, 15
LB441	Albrecht	GF	Change provisions relating to obscenity	12
LB446	Bostar	GF (>1073)	Adopt the Peer-to-Peer Vehicle Sharing Program Act	14, 15
LB461	Arch	S	Change, transfer, and eliminate provisions relating to the materiel division of the Department of Administrative Services and procurement of services and personal property	4, 6
LB471	Brewer	C (>16)	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	5, 9
LB484A	Moser	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB513	Brewer	GF (>287)	Change proof of publication requirements for legal notices and requirements for published notice and virtual conferencing under the Open Meetings Act	6, 11, 15
LB514	Brewer	S (>287)	Provide for valid photographic identification for voting purposes and change provisions relating to voting and counting ballots and certain identification documents	6
LB530	McKinney	C (>840)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	12, 15
LB541	Lowe	GF	Change provisions relating to election of public power district directors	4
LB550	Ballard	GF (<1329)	Change provisions relating to the enrollment option program	12, 15
LB575	Kauth	GF	Adopt the Sports and Spaces Act	14
LB600	Lippincott	S	Adopt the Municipality Infrastructure Aid Act and transfer funds from the Cash Reserve Fund	4, 15

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LB600A	Lippincott	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB606	Albrecht	GF (>937)	Adopt the Nebraska Pregnancy Help Act and provide tax credits	13, 15
LB631	McKinney	S (+334, 348, 922, 1126,1145)	Change provisions relating to the Board of Parole, eligibility for parole, reentry services, post-release supervision, grant programs, and prisons, adopt the Community Work Release and Reentry Centers Act, provide for performance metrics, Parole School, book donations, and reentry career planning, and transfer the Division of Parole Supervision to the Department of Correctional Services	14, 15
LB631A	Wayne	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB635A	Albrecht	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB636	Albrecht	GF (>867)	Prohibit political subdivisions from restricting certain energy services	11, 15
LB637	Albrecht	GF (>43)	Require members of the public to be allowed to speak at each meeting subject to the Open Meetings Act	10, 12
LB644	McDonnell	S	Change provisions relating to the use of the Site and Building Development Fund	7, 10, 13
LB644A	McDonnell	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB650	McDonnell	GF (>43)	Allow certain cybersecurity records to be withheld from the public	4, 10, 12
LB664	Riepe	S	Provide powers and duties for the state medicaid fraud control unit and the Attorney General	4
LB673	Hansen	C (>1329)	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	12, 15
LB685	Lowe	S (+836)	Provide requirements for sale of certain alcoholic beverages and change provisions relating to the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act	7, 15
LB685A	Lowe	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB686	Walz	S (+197, 221, 406)	Name the Cities of the First Class Firefighters Retirement Act and change provisions relating to firefighters employed by a city of the first class	14, 15
LB710	Dungan	C (>1074)	Change provisions of the Credit Union Act	12, 15
LB716	J. Cavanaugh	S (+172)	Change provisions relating to the National Electrical Code and licensure, registration, and state inspection fees under the State Electrical Act	
LB740	Vargas	IPP	Change provisions of the Nebraska Pure Food Act	10
LB764	Lippincott	C	Change provisions relating to selection of and ballots cast by presidential electors	14
LB771A	Sanders	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB821	Blood	C	Change provisions relating to the preliminary or advanced enrollment of certain students	
LB822	Blood	GF (>932)	Adopt the Social Worker Licensure Compact and change provisions relating to criminal background checks	
LB823	Blood	GF (>1215)	Adopt the Physician Assistant (PA) Licensure Compact and change provisions relating to criminal background checks	11, 13
LB824	Blood	GF	Adopt the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact and change provisions relating to criminal background checks	
LB825	Blood	C	Adopt the Nebraska Farmers of Color Opportunity Act and provide tax credits	
LB826	Blood	C	Provide for combination fishing, fur-harvesting, and hunting permits and stamps and state park entry permits for resident and nonresident veterans and active duty military personnel	
LB827	Blood	C	Adopt the Entertainment Industry Child Performer Protection Act	
LB828	Blood	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Apiary Act and provide for the Pollinator Task Force, the Nebraska Apiary Registry, and immunity for certain damages relating to bees	
LB829	Blood	S	Change provisions relating to insurance coverage for screening for colorectal cancer	4, 6, 15
LB829A	Blood	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB830	Blood	GF	Designate a state tartan	

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LB831	Blood	C	Change provisions of the Noxious Weed Control Act and provide for control of restricted plants	
LB832	Blood	GF (>1195)	Authorize acceptance of cession or retrocession of federal jurisdiction for juvenile matters and provide for concurrent jurisdiction	14, 15
LB833	Blood	C	Adopt the Prescription Drug Affordability Act	
LB834	Blood	S	Establish requirements for a resident dental license	
LB835	Blood	GF	Adopt the School Psychologist Interstate Licensure Compact	
LB836	Lowe	C (>685)	Provide requirements for retail licensees relating to the display of co-branded alcoholic beverages under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	15
LB837	Lowe	C	Change procedures for voting or election precincts for public power districts	
LB838	Lowe	C	Change provisions relating to the appointment of members of the Nebraska Arts Council	
LB839	Lowe	S	Change provisions relating to the executive director and members of the State Racing and Gaming Commission	
LB840	McKinney	S (+530, 843, 881, 1046)	Adopt the Poverty Elimination Action Plan Act and change provisions of the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act and the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	4, 12, 15
LB841	McKinney	C	Adopt the School Leadership Engagement Act	
LB842	McKinney	GF	Change provisions relating to affordable housing under the Municipal Density and Missing Middle Housing Act, the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act, and the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	
LB843	McKinney	C (>840)	Change provisions of the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act	12, 15
LB844	Erdman	S	Change provisions of the Farm Labor Contractors Act	8, 10, 11
LB845	Hunt	C	Prohibit eviction of certain tenants during the school year	5
LB846	Hunt	C	Adopt the Bed Bug Detection and Treatment Act	
LB847	Brewer	S	Change provisions relating to emergency response agreements with other states and withdraw from the Interstate Civil Defense and Disaster Compact	
LB848	Brewer	S	Change the maximum age for the Adjutant General	
LB849	Jacobson	C	Change provisions relating to insurance rate adjustments	
LB850	Jacobson	C (>1412)	Change the authorized use of certain Federal Funds for housing	11
LB851	Jacobson	S	Change provisions relating to internship grants	
LB852	Jacobson	S (+32)	Change provisions of the Medicare Supplement Insurance Minimum Standards Act	
LB853	Jacobson	C	Change provisions relating to homestead exemptions	
LB854	Jacobson	S	Change examination eligibility, certification, and permitting requirements relating to certified public accountants	
LB855	Conrad	GF (>1329)	Prohibit school districts from taking certain actions relating to outstanding debts on a school lunch or breakfast account	4, 12, 15
LB856	Fredrickson	S	Change eligibility requirements for the federal child care subsidy program	4, 8, 14, 15
LB856A	Fredrickson	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB857	Dungan	S (+933)	Create the Nebraska Prenatal Plus Program, provide for use of the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund, and change provisions relating to coverage of glucose monitors under the Medical Assistance Act	6, 7, 10, 13
LB857A	Dungan	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB858	Linehan	C (>1412)	State intent to appropriate funds to the State Department of Education to expand the office of finance and administrative services	
LB859	Linehan	IPP	Change conflict of interest provisions for certain political subdivision officers	
LB860	Linehan	C	Change a reporting requirement relating to the Early Childhood Education Grant Program	
LB861	Linehan	GF (>287)	Change procedures to remove a name from a petition under the Election Act	5, 11, 15
LB862	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to the transportation of students and require school districts to submit a report regarding certain student transportation	

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LB863	Linehan	C (>1317)	Change an income tax adjustment for federal retirement annuities	14, 15
LB864	Dungan	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Supreme Court for interpreter services	
LB865	Bostelman	C (>1031)	Require annual reports to the Nebraska Broadband Office	12, 15
LB866	Bostelman	C (>867)	Change provisions relating to service on the Nebraska Power Review Board	10, 15
LB867	Bostelman	S (+636, 866, 868, 971, 1001, 1406)	Provide for a voluntary hunting and fishing guide and outfitter database, a migratory waterfowl hunting season for veterans, active-duty military state park entry permits, change provisions relating to the Nebraska Power Review Board and the Petroleum Release Remedial Action Cash Fund, and prohibit restrictions on the provision of services related to natural gas and propane	5, 10, 11, 15
LB867A	Bostelman	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB868	Bostelman	C (>867)	Extend the sunset date for reimbursement for remedial action under the Petroleum Release Remedial Action Cash Fund	10, 15
LB869	Bostar	GF (>1300)	Change provisions relating to services of the county veterans service committees	14, 15
LB870	M. Cavanaugh	S	Provide for additional rights of notification, information, and preservation of evidence under the Sexual Assault Victims' Bill of Rights Act	4, 14, 15
LB870A	M. Cavanaugh	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB871	M. Cavanaugh	GF (>62)	Require a report by the Department of Health and Human Services regarding the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program	9, 10, 15
LB872	Clements	C (>1074)	Prohibit acceptance of central bank digital currency by state and local governments	12, 15
LB873	Ballard	C (>1073)	Change provisions relating to real estate closing agents	14, 15
LB874	Bostar	S	Change requirements relating to child care licensing and child care facilities	
LB875	Hughes	GF	Prohibit sales of alcohol or beer for consumption off the premises at less than cost under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB876	Holdcroft	S	Adopt the Newborn Safe Haven Act	6, 12, 14, 15
LB876A	Holdcroft	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB877	Holdcroft	S	Change provisions relating to agricultural or horticultural land receiving special valuation	
LB878	Holdcroft	GF	Change provisions regarding certain bond and related elections	5
LB879	M. Cavanaugh	W	Repeal the Let Them Grow Act and the Preborn Child Protection Act	
LB880	Hughes	S	Change requirements relating to the Land Acquisition and Source Water Loan Fund	
LB881	Ballard	C (>840)	Redefine a term under the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act	12, 15
LB882	Bostar	C	Change provisions relating to benefits under the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	
LB883	Brewer	C	Eliminate a requirement to obtain a handgun purchase certificate and change provisions on criminal history record checks for firearms and explosives	8
LB884	Bostar	C	Change provisions relating to medicaid estate recovery	
LB885	Bostar	C (>1073)	Provide requirements for insurance coverage of lung cancer screening	14, 15
LB886	Conrad	C	Provide restrictions on the regulation of political signs by homeowners associations	4
LB887	Brewer	GF (>1300)	Adopt the Nebraska Nonprofit Security Grant Program Act	14, 15
LB887A	Brewer	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB888	Vargas	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB889	Vargas	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB890	Bosn	C	Provide for certified copies of sealed juvenile records for certain attorneys	
LB891	Bosn	C (>1200)	Redefine manufacturer under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act	10, 15
LB892	Bosn	GF	Change provisions relating to controlled substances under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	
LB893	Ibach	C (>1317)	Change provisions of the ImagiNE Nebraska Act relating to the types of property receiving a property tax exemption	14, 15



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LB894	Ibach	S	Change provisions relating to election, appointment, qualifications, and training of county sheriffs	10, 12, 13
LB895	Sanders	S	Change provisions relating to recruitment and retention for the Nebraska National Guard	
LB896	Ballard	C (>1215)	Change provisions relating to telehealth consultations	10, 13
LB897	Lippincott	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development for a workforce housing grant program	
LB898	Ibach	GF	Adopt the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact	
LB899	Hughes	C	Exempt Class III school districts from the prohibition on suspending a student in pre-kindergarten through second grade	
LB900	Brandt	C (>1200)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Rules of the Road relating to the length of vehicles	10, 15
LB901	Linehan	GF (>937)	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for purchases by certain nonprofit organizations	13, 15
LB902	DeBoer	GF (>1195)	Prohibit assisted-living facilities from requiring a third-party guarantee of payment	14, 15
LB903	DeBoer	S	Change provisions relating to membership of the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Advisory Council and the State Alzheimer's Plan	
LB904	DeBoer	S (+1178)	Change provisions regarding child care reimbursement rates, create the Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Grant Program, and provide for use of the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund	10, 15
LB904A	DeBoer	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB905	Riepe	S	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to submit a medicaid waiver or state plan amendment for medical respite care, change the definition of respite care, and change provisions relating to the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund	5, 7, 12
LB905A	Riepe	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB906	Riepe	S	Change provisions relating to child labor laws	
LB907	Riepe	C	Require medicaid coverage for treatment of obesity	
LB908	Aguilar	S	Eliminate provisions relating to a legislative policy on telephones and telefax machines	
LB909	Aguilar	S	Change state agency notice requirements regarding occupational regulation	
LB910	Riepe	S	Authorize an emergency medical service to transport and emergency care providers to provide emergency medical care to injured law enforcement canines	
LB911	Blood	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services and the Office of Probation Administration to make reports under the Nebraska Indian Child Welfare Act	13
LB912	Slama	C	Provide for contracting for reasonable terms for coverage under the Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Insurance Coverage Act	
LB913	Hunt	GF	Require a state plan amendment for postpartum coverage under the Children's Health Insurance Program	
LB914	J. Cavanaugh	GF	Adopt the Uniform Unlawful Restrictions in Land Records Act	
LB915	Brewer	GF	Provide financing authority to the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges related to student housing or student activity facilities	
LB916	Brewer	C	Adopt the Controlled Substance Offenses Forfeiture Act and change provisions relating to forfeiture	
LB917	Wayne	C	Require the establishment of a standard prior authorization process for health benefit plans and the approval and use of prior authorization forms	
LB918	Wayne	GF	Allow individuals with Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals status to receive law enforcement officer training and certification	10, 12
LB919	McKinney	C	Require the demolition of the Nebraska State Penitentiary	
LB920	McKinney	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a Restaurant Meals Program	8

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LB921	McKinney	C	Provide for mentorship programs for individuals under supervision by probation and parole officers	
LB922	McKinney	C (>631)	Adopt the Parolee and Probationer Business Empowerment Act	14
LB923	McKinney	GF (>1288)	Allow the use of tribal enrollment cards for proof of age and identity for certain firearm and alcohol laws	13, 15
LB924	McKinney	C	Provide a homestead exemption for residents of qualified census tracts	
LB925	Aguilar	GF	Adopt the Firearm Industry Nondiscrimination Act	5
LB926	Aguilar	S	Change provisions relating to the Museum Property Act	
LB927	Fredrickson	GF	Require suicide awareness and prevention training for certain employees of child-placing agencies and employees of the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB928	Fredrickson	GF	Provide for the appointment of a mental health director for the Department of Correctional Services	
LB929	Fredrickson	C (>1200)	Provide for coordination of the 911 service system and the 988 suicide and crisis lifeline	4, 10, 15
LB930	Fredrickson	C (>1412)	Change provisions relating to appropriations to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska	11
LB931	Fredrickson	C	Change appropriations of Federal Funds for behavioral health purposes	8
LB932	Fredrickson	S (+822)	Adopt the Social Worker Licensure Compact and change provisions of the Mental Health Practice Act and the Uniform Credentialing Act	
LB933	Bosn	GF (>857)	Change medicaid coverage requirements for continuous glucose monitors	6, 10, 13
LB934	Bosn	S (+1096)	Change provisions of the Consumer Protection Act and the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act	6, 12, 15
LB935	Ibach	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for medicaid dental services	
LB936	Bostar	S	Eliminate provisions relating to county regulation of certain recreation, entertainment, and amusement activities	
LB937	Bostar	S (+58, 606, 901, 1002, 1022, 1025, 1040, 1047, 1072, 1084, 1158, 1184)	Provide for tax credits, tax exemptions, and certain grant programs and change provisions relating to tax credits and fuel taxes	4, 13, 15
LB937A	Bostar	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB938	Brandt	S	Change provisions of the County Purchasing Act	
LB939	Erdman	C	Adopt the My Student, My Choice Act	
LB940	Dorn	S	Provide and change authority for agreements by county boards	
LB941	Dorn	C (>1412)	State intent regarding appropriations for medicaid assisted-living facility rates	11
LB942	Dorn	GF (>130)	State intent regarding appropriations for medicaid nursing facility rates	
LB943	Dorn	C	Change appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for behavioral health aid	
LB944	Dorn	C	Provide for use of the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund for behavioral health needs	
LB945	Hughes	GF	Require certain documents, information, and materials be provided to children before leaving foster care	4
LB946	Day	C	Change requirements for payments to Child Care Subsidy program providers	
LB947	Day	GF	Authorize virtual inspections for certain building permits and require certain inspection records be made available to the public under the Building Construction Act	
LB948	McDonnell	GF	Provide certain requirements for redevelopment contracts under the Community Development Law	
LB949	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to inspection of real property by county assessors	

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LB950	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to the collection of occupation taxes	
LB951	Linehan	C	Adopt the Public Officials on Private Boards Open Meetings Act	
LB952	Day	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to implement the federal Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer Program	5
LB953	Kauth	GF	Provide tuition waivers for student teachers as prescribed	
LB954	Kauth	C	Adopt the Biometric Autonomy Liberty Law	
LB955	Bostar	C	Require business entities to provide certain notice to purchasers of gift certificates and gift cards	
LB956	Bostar	C (>1370)	Provide requirements for light-mitigating technology on certain wind turbines	12, 15
LB957	Dungan	C	Provide for early childhood aid under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB958	Wishart	C	Provide for annual adjustments of provider rates under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB959	Dungan	C	Require transfer of cases to juvenile court if a county or district court fails to rule on a motion to transfer within thirty days	
LB960	Jacobson	C	Provide powers and duties for the State Athletic Commissioner relating to the regulation of certain professional and amateur martial arts, kickboxing, and boxing sparring matches and exhibitions	
LB961	Dungan	C	Prohibit noncompete agreements for lower-wage employees	
LB962	Wayne	GF (>1329)	Prohibit the use of certain projection maps in public schools and require each school board to adopt a policy relating to projection maps	12, 15
LB963	Wayne	C	Provide for powers and duties of county attorneys and deputy county attorneys to be performed by district attorneys and deputy district attorneys appointed by the Attorney General	
LB964	Dungan	C	Adopt the Special Education Teacher Forgivable Loan Program Act and provide for scholarships under the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act	7, 12, 15
LB965	Holdcroft	C	Change provisions relating to certain license plates issued to persons with military affiliation as prescribed	
LB966	DeKay	C (>1200)	Change provisions relating to traffic control signals and excise tax rates on certain fuels	10, 15
LB967	DeKay	GF	Change provisions relating to trafficking offenses and the Human Trafficking Victim Assistance Fund	
LB968	DeKay	W	Adopt the Live Adult Entertainment Establishment Fee Act	
LB969	DeKay	C (>1370)	Change provisions relating to contracts and sealed bids for public power districts	12, 15
LB970	Lippincott	C	Provide for carrying out the death penalty by nitrogen hypoxia	
LB971	Lippincott	C (>867)	Provide for a free hunting permit for veterans to hunt on Veterans Day	10, 15
LB972	Lippincott	C	Prohibit kratom as a controlled substance	5
LB973	Brewer	W	Provide for free issuance of annual combination fishing, fur-harvesting, and hunting permits, habitat stamps, aquatic habitat stamps, and Nebraska migratory waterfowl stamps to certain veterans	
LB974	Holdcroft	GF	Change penalties for motor vehicle homicide of an unborn child	
LB975	Ibach	C (>1413)	Redefine qualified nonprofit organization under the Shovel-Ready Capital Recovery and Investment Act	11
LB976	Blood	C	Provide for an education and training program for judges and court staff	
LB977	Blood	GF	Prohibit discrimination based on military or veteran status	
LB978	DeBoer	GF	Provide for adoption by a second adult person and change provisions relating to adoptions	
LB979	DeBoer	C	Require an annual report on active cases by the Department of Correctional Services, the Office of Probation Administration, and the Division of Parole Supervision	
LB980	McKinney	C	Change provisions relating to persons present when the death penalty is carried out	

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LB981	Holdcroft	C (>1204)	Change and eliminate provisions relating to the Nebraska Lottery and Raffle Act and the Nebraska Small Lottery and Raffle Act	10
LB982	Riepe	GF	Provide for employment of nurse aides in intellectual and developmental disabilities facilities	
LB983	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for duties and procedures relating to plea agreements and sentencing	
LB984	Hardin	C	Prohibit certain actions relating to distribution of drugs by 340B entities	9
LB985	Linehan	C (>1284)	Change provisions relating to grant eligibility under the Nebraska Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act	12, 15
LB986	Linehan	C (>1284)	Terminate loan repayment assistance and provide grants to teachers under the Teach in Nebraska Today Act	12, 15
LB987	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to applicability of and assessment instruments under the Quality Education Accountability Act	
LB988	Linehan	C	Provide, change, and eliminate provisions regarding elections for certain purposes	
LB989	Dungan	S	Change and eliminate provisions of the Nebraska Appraisal Management Company Registration Act and the Real Property Appraiser Act	
LB990	Bostar	GF (>1073)	Change provisions of the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure and Regulation Act	14, 15
LB991	Bostar	GF	Adopt the Blockchain Basics Act	
LB992	Dungan	S	Change provisions of the Real Property Appraiser Act	
LB992A	Dungan	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB993	Ibach	GF	Adopt the Apprenticeship Grant Act	4
LB993A	Ibach	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB994	Wayne	C	Provide for the Legislature to administer the Department of Correctional Services and appoint the Director of Correctional Services	
LB995	Wayne	C	Change provisions relating to deferred judgments	
LB996	Wayne	C	Provide for the Department of Correctional Services to operate the county jails	
LB997	Ibach	C	Require the State Department of Education to establish criteria for salary supplements for child care and early education providers	
LB998	Conrad	S	Adopt the State Acceptance of Gifts Act	
LB999	Ibach	C (>262)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Hemp Farming Act and the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	5, 11, 15
LB1000	Brandt	C (>1204)	Provide for the anonymity of certain state lottery prize winners	10, 13
LB1001	Conrad	C (>867)	Provide for a migratory waterfowl hunting season for veterans	10, 15
LB1002	Brandt	C (>937)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Biodiesel Tax Credit Act	13, 15
LB1003	Hansen	C	Change a requirement relating to child care licensing in cities, villages, or counties	
LB1004	Hansen	S	Change motorcycle, moped, and autocycle helmet provisions	10, 13
LB1005	Walz	C (>1284)	Change provisions relating to the Attracting Excellence in Teaching Program and the Excellence in Teaching Cash Fund under the Excellence in Teaching Act	12, 15
LB1006	Walz	C	Change provisions relating to allocated income tax funds under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1007	Walz	GF	Provide for medicaid coverage for certain aged, blind, and disabled individuals	
LB1008	Walz	C	Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education	
LB1009	Walz	C (>1215)	Change provisions of the Barber Act	10, 13
LB1010	Walz	C	Provide transfers to the Education Future Fund for reimbursements for special education	
LB1011	Walz	C	Change provisions relating to early childhood education under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1012	Walz	C (>1329)	Change provisions relating to certain tax levy and bonding authority of school districts	12, 15
LB1013	Walz	C	Create the Family Engagement Grant Program for certain schools	
LB1014	Walz	GF (>1284)	Change requirements relating to school psychologists	12, 15
LB1015	Walz	C	Change provisions of the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act	



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LB1016	Walz	C	Eliminate a termination date relating to prioritization of certain developmental disabilities services	
LB1017	Bosn	S	Change the schedule of compensation for certain injuries resulting in disability under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	
LB1018	Holdcroft	C	Provide that positions of public employment shall not require a postsecondary degree and require equal consideration for non-degree-holders' wages and benefits	
LB1019	Holdcroft	GF (>126)	Change provisions relating to the correction of assessment and tax rolls	12
LB1020	M. Cavanaugh	C	Require public contractors to provide records to members of the Legislature	
LB1021	M. Cavanaugh	C	Require programs for inmates related to compensation and employment and require minimum wage for inmates of jails and Department of Correctional Services facilities and state and political subdivision employees	
LB1022	Sanders	C (>937)	Adopt the Cast and Crew Nebraska Act and provide for tax credits and grants	13, 15
LB1023	von Gillern	S (+173, 416,1049, 1113,1400)	Adopt the Relocation Incentive Act and change provisions relating to certain business deductions, nonresident income, incentives under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act, and occupation taxes	4, 12, 15
LB1023A	von Gillern	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1024	Bostar	C (>1073)	Change provisions relating to documents and information provided to an independent review organization under the Health Carrier External Review Act	14, 15
LB1025	Bostar	C (>937)	Adopt the Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Support Act and provide tax credits	13, 15
LB1026	Hardin	GF	Change provisions relating to the achieving a better life experience program	
LB1027	Clements	S	Change provisions relating to schools which elect not to meet accreditation and approval requirements	4, 12, 15
LB1027A	Clements	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB1028	Clements	W	Require city-county health departments to obtain approval for directed health measures	
LB1029	Conrad	S	Change provisions relating to compulsory school attendance regarding illness	
LB1030	Bostelman	S	Change provisions of the County Bridge Match Program and provide for a transfer of funds from the Roads Operations Cash Fund	6, 12, 15
LB1031	Bostelman	S (+865, 1038,1180, 1255,1256)	Change provisions relating to dark fiber leases, broadband telecommunications services, the Nebraska Telecommunications Universal Service Fund, the Public Service Commission, the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act, and the 911 Service System Act	12, 15
LB1031A	Bostelman	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1032	Bostelman	GF	Provide for tuition waivers for conservation officers of the Game and Parks Commission under the First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act	
LB1033	Lippincott	C	Provide for enforcement of violations relating to use of handheld wireless communication devices as a primary action	
LB1034	Lippincott	C	Prohibit a school district from punishing an employee or prohibiting an employee from engaging in religious expression when an employee is on duty at school	7
LB1035	Hughes	S	Adopt the Prescription Drug Donation Program Act	7, 15
LB1035A	Hughes	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1036	Vargas	C	Provide for issuance of free annual combination fishing, fur-harvesting, and hunting permits, habitat stamps, aquatic habitat stamps, and Nebraska migratory waterfowl stamps to certain veterans and members of the armed forces of the United States	
LB1037	Brewer	C	Prohibit certain conduct relating to assistance or referrals in veterans benefits matters	
LB1038	DeKay	C (>1031)	Change membership of the Nebraska Information Technology Commission	12, 15
LB1039	Vargas	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB1040	Fredrickson	C (>937)	Change provisions relating to income tax credits for food donations	13, 15

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LB1041	Fredrickson	C	Change provisions relating to homestead exemptions	
LB1042	Fredrickson	C	Change provisions relating to registering to vote	
LB1043	McKinney	C (>1317)	Require the development of certain real property and provide for the revocation of property tax exemptions	14, 15
LB1044	McKinney	C	Create a task force to study reparations for slavery and change permitted uses of a tax imposed on marijuana	
LB1045	J. Cavanaugh	C	Prohibit use of peremptory challenges against jurors based on membership in certain groups	
LB1046	J. Cavanaugh	C (>840)	Provide for appointment of counsel for terminating hearings and eviction proceedings under the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	6, 12, 15
LB1047	Brandt	GF (>937)	Change motor fuel tax provisions	13, 15
LB1048	Bostar	GF (>1300)	Require certain chemical facilities to comply with a federal chemical security program	14, 15
LB1049	Bostar	C (>1023)	Change the amount authorized for the municipal occupation tax on telecommunications companies	12, 15
LB1050	Conrad	C (>1284)	Require school districts to provide menstrual products to students	7, 12, 15
LB1051	DeBoer	S	Eliminate obsolete provisions and reorganize provisions of the Nebraska Juvenile Code and change certain filing deadlines	
LB1052	Walz	GF	Allow a teacher employed at an approved or accredited public, private, denominational, or parochial school to receive reimbursement for school supplies	4
LB1052A	Walz	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1053	Walz	C	Authorize an extended-career retention grant under the Nebraska Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act	
LB1054	Walz	GF	Adopt the Child Care Safety and Security Act	
LB1054A	Walz	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1055	Walz	C	Require development of a reading instruction system and programming for adults and children, create a steering committee, and provide for a literacy coordinator	
LB1056	Walz	C	Create the School Construction Assistance Task Force	
LB1057	DeBoer	C	Change provisions relating to arraignments, filing of juvenile petitions, and jurisdiction of juvenile courts	
LB1058	Wayne	C	Exclude certain pension and annuity payments from income taxes	
LB1059	Linehan	GF	Change provisions relating to income taxes imposed on partnerships and small business corporations and notices of deficiency	
LB1060	Hansen	C	Provide an exemption from newborn screening	5
LB1061	Ibach	GF (>262)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Corn Resources Act	11, 15
LB1061A	Ibach	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1062	Ibach	C	Change provisions of the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act	
LB1063	Halloran	C	Require approval by the voters of the school district prior to expenditure of special building funds as prescribed	
LB1064	Lippincott	C	Prohibit tenure at certain postsecondary educational institutions and require a written policy regarding terms and conditions of employment	7
LB1065	Lippincott	C	Authorize a school district to hire a chaplain to perform the duties of a school counselor without a certificate issued by the Commissioner of Education	9
LB1066	Lippincott	C	Authorize a school board to adopt a policy for participation in an elective course in religious instruction conducted off school district property by a sponsoring entity	
LB1067	Clements	GF	Eliminate the inheritance tax, adopt the State Prisoner Reimbursement Act, and change the authorized uses of certain county funds	6, 9, 15
LB1067A	Clements	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1068	Brewer	C	Change provisions relating to the appointment, certification, and convening of presidential electors	

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LB1069	Halloran	S	Change provisions relating to the State Fire Marshal, the Boiler Inspection Act, and the Nebraska Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 1969 and eliminate the Nebraska Fire Safety Appeal Board	
LB1070	Bostar	S	Change closing dates and filing deadlines for campaign statements of ballot question committees	
LB1071	Dungan	C	Protect free speech rights of student journalists and student media advisers	
LB1072	Dungan	C (>937)	Provide a tax credit for sustainable aviation fuel	13, 15
LB1073	Slama	S (+446, 873, 885, 990, 1024, 1135, 1136, 1147, 1148, 1227, 1409)	Adopt the Peer-to-Peer Vehicle Sharing Program Act and provide, change, and prohibit certain actions relating to insurance, real estate, and deceptive trade practices	14, 15
LB1073A	Slama	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB1074	Slama	S (+710, 872, 1075, 1122, 1176, 1290, 1294)	Adopt changes to federal law regarding banking and finance, change provisions of the Commodity Code, the Credit Union Act, and the Securities Act of Nebraska, adopt the Data Privacy Act and the Public Entities Pooled Investment Act, exempt certain records from public disclosure, and change breach of security provisions and computerized data, criminal history background checks, and vital records	12, 15
LB1074A	Slama	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1075	Slama	C (>1074)	Change provisions of the Delayed Deposit Services Licensing Act, the Nebraska Installment Loan Act, the Nebraska Installment Sales Act, the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act, and the Residential Mortgage Licensing Act	12, 15
LB1076	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Public Contract Provider Open Meetings Act	
LB1077	McDonnell	C (>1412)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Labor to provide grants for facility expansion relating to workforce development and career readiness programs	11
LB1078	McDonnell	C	State intent to appropriate funds for increase in rates for child welfare service providers	
LB1079	McDonnell	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Economic Development	8
LB1080	Holdcroft	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Natural Resources	
LB1081	Conrad	C	Require school districts to comply with student-teacher ratios in certain classrooms	
LB1082	Conrad	C	Require coverage for in vitro fertilization for state employees under the Nebraska State Insurance Program	
LB1083	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act	
LB1084	Ibach	C (>937)	Adopt the Nebraska Shortline Rail Modernization Act and provide tax credits	13, 15
LB1085	Holdcroft	S	Change provisions relating to the number of separate juvenile court judges	
LB1086	Walz	C	Eliminate the Department of Health and Human Services and create three departments	
LB1087	Jacobson	S	Adopt the Hospital Quality Assurance and Access Assessment Act and provide duties for the Nebraska Center for Nursing	5, 7, 12
LB1087A	Jacobson	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1088	Linehan	S	Change provisions relating to certain employment and investment requirements under the Nebraska Advantage Act	
LB1089	DeBoer	GF	Exempt individuals under nineteen years of age from payment of certain court costs and fees and change provisions of the Nebraska Juvenile Code	
LB1090	Ballard	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services for the Nebraska Public Safety Communication System	
LB1091	Murman	GF	Provide requirements and restrictions for school boards relating to professional employees' organizations	
LB1092	Murman	S	Adopt the Online Age Verification Liability Act	8, 13, 15

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LB1093	Bostar	GF (>1317)	Provide for limited law enforcement officer certificates and change provisions relating to tuition waivers under the First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act	14, 15
LB1094	Bostar	C	Provide restrictions on insurance coverage of epinephrine injectors and inhalers	
LB1095	Dorn	S	Change provisions relating to tax credits under the Nebraska Biodiesel Tax Credit Act and change provisions of the E-15 Access Standard Act	
LB1096	Armendariz	GF (>934)	Provide that certain conduct relating to depictions of sexually explicit or obscene material or material harmful to minors is a deceptive trade practice under the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act	7, 12, 15
LB1097	DeKay	C	Change provisions relating to commitment of mentally incompetent defendants	
LB1098	DeKay	C	Adopt the Protection Orders Act	
LB1099	McDonnell	C (>1412)	Change the use of appropriated Federal Funds for nursing scholarships	
LB1100	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to capitation payments made in accordance with the Medical Assistance Act as prescribed	
LB1101	Hardin	GF	Provide requirements for the Public Health Early Admission Student Track Program and the Rural Health Opportunities Program and provide for tuition waivers	
LB1102	Conrad	S (+53)	Declare October 17 as Nebraska Missing Persons Day and May 19 as El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz, Malcolm X Day	
LB1103	Aguilar	C	Change provisions relating to innovative tourism grants under the Nebraska Visitors Development Act	
LB1104	Aguilar	S	Change fees for lobbyist registration and change distribution of such fees	
LB1105	DeKay	C	Name the Branded Certificate of Title Act and provide for the issuance of destroyed-vehicle branded certificates of title	
LB1106	Day	GF (>1215)	Provide for coverage of lactation consultations under the Medical Assistance Act	8, 11, 13
LB1107	Day	C (>1215)	Provide for coverage of breast pumps under the Medical Assistance Act	8, 11, 13
LB1108	Dorn	S	Provide for transfer of certain sales and use taxes to the Nebraska Emergency Medical System Operations Fund and provide additional uses for the fund	10, 15
LB1109	Riepe	C	Provide an exception under the Preborn Child Protection Act to allow an abortion after twelve weeks in the case of a fatal fetal anomaly and change and eliminate certain penalty provisions relating to abortions	8
LB1110	Jacobson	C	Require dental plan carriers to meet a minimum dental loss ratio and provide a report to the Department of Insurance as prescribed	
LB1111	Clements	C	Require city-county health departments to obtain approval for directed health measures	
LB1112	Clements	C	Provide restrictions and requirements relating to permits for communications infrastructure placed on poles or towers	7
LB1113	Meyer	GF (>1023)	Change provisions relating to the types of property receiving a property tax exemption under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act	12, 15
LB1114	Bostar	C	Adopt the Endow Nebraska Act and provide tax credits	
LB1115	Dungan	GF	Provide a right to a trial by jury under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act	
LB1115A	Dungan	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1116	Ibach	C	Adopt the Grocer Reinvestment Option Act	5
LB1117	Dungan	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1118	McKinney	S	Change the process for a mayor in a city of the second class to remove an officer from office	
LB1119	Dungan	C	Provide restrictions on regulation by homeowner's associations and similar associations of solar energy and wind energy devices and provide for a civil cause of action	4
LB1120	Hardin	S	Require affidavits for certain purchases of real property near military installations	10, 15
LB1121	Dungan	C	Authorize additional grants under the Nebraska Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act	



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LB1122	Ballard	C (>1074)	Change enforcement provisions relating to written solicitations for financial products or services	12, 15
LB1123	Dungan	C	Provide for postconviction relief for a claim of actual innocence and for exceptions from time limitations and procedural defaults	
LB1124	Vargas	C (>1412)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1125	Wishart	C (>1412)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1126	Bosn	GF (>631)	Create the National Career Readiness Certificate Pilot Program within the Department of Correctional Services	14, 15
LB1126A	Bosn	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1127	Bosn	C	Provide a requirement for personal vehicles used for purposes of transportation network companies	
LB1128	Vargas	C	Change provisions of the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act	
LB1129	Raybould	C	Provide for autism acceptance license plates and change provisions relating to license plates and the Autism Treatment Program Cash Fund	
LB1130	Raybould	C	Change provisions relating to mental health practitioner licenses	
LB1131	Raybould	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Environment and Energy for grants for tribal-owned community drinking water and sewer systems	
LB1132	Lippincott	C	Change motor vehicle liability insurance and financial responsibility requirements	
LB1133	DeBoer	C	Provide for enforcement of federal railroad safety standards by the Public Service Commission	
LB1134	von Gillern	GF (>1317)	Change provisions relating to the accrual of interest on taxes due after an order by the Tax Equalization and Review Commission	14, 15
LB1135	Dover	C (>1073)	Prohibit use of right-to-list home sale agreements and change provisions of the Nebraska Real Estate License Act	14, 15
LB1136	Dover	C (>1073)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Real Estate License Act	14, 15
LB1137	McKinney	W	Change the tax rate for public safety purposes in municipalities	
LB1138	Riepe	C (>1215)	Provide an exemption from requirements for prescribers issuing prescriptions for controlled substances	10, 13
LB1139	M. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act	
LB1140	Erdman	W	Prohibit geologic transport or storage of carbon dioxide and eliminate the Nebraska Geologic Storage of Carbon Dioxide Act	
LB1141	McKinney	C	Change provisions of the Student Discipline Act	
LB1142	Wayne	C	Require and restrict certain actions of any animal control facility, animal rescue, animal shelter, or rabies control authority	
LB1143	Health & Human Services	S	Eliminate provisions relating to certain health districts	
LB1144	Ballard	GF	Change provisions relating to care management units for long-term care	
LB1145	Bosn	C (>631)	Transfer the Division of Parole Supervision to the Department of Correctional Services and change provisions relating to the release of certain prisoners	14, 15
LB1146	Murman	C	Provide an additional exception to the prohibition on suspending a student in pre-kindergarten through second grade	
LB1147	Bostar	C (>1073)	Provide requirements for separate investment accounts holding assets of index-linked variable annuity contracts	14, 15
LB1148	Hansen	C (>1073)	Change requirements relating to insurance coverage of step therapy for certain drugs	14, 15
LB1149	Day	C	Provide an exemption from the motor vehicle tax for motor vehicles with Gold Star Family plates	
LB1150	Brandt	C	Change the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1151	Dover	GF (>126)	Define the term occupy for purposes of homestead exemptions	12
LB1152	Brewer	GF (>287)	Change provisions relating to elections, motor vehicle operators' licenses, and state identification cards	15

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LB1153	Arch	C	Eliminate provisions relating to the Nebraska Sesquicentennial Commission that has terminated	
LB1154	McDonnell	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1155	McDonnell	C	Appropriate federal funds to the Department of Health and Human Services and state intent relating to appropriations	
LB1156	Holdcroft	C	Require registration under the Sex Offender Registration Act for certain solicitation and trafficking offenses	
LB1157	McKinney	C	Require hearings regarding juveniles in detention in certain counties and require payment of certain costs by the Office of Probation Administration	
LB1158	Bostar	C (>937)	Adopt the Medical Debt Relief Act and provide certain income tax consequences	13, 15
LB1159	Ibach	GF	Provide additional offenses for which notification to crime victims is required as prescribed	
LB1160	Walz	C	Change provisions relating to the Attracting Excellence to Teaching Program and the Excellence in Teaching Cash Fund	
LB1161	Dungan	C	Adopt the Consumer and Employment Arbitration Data Reporting Act	
LB1162	Lowe	S	Change provisions relating to fees and mileage for sheriffs and constables	
LB1163	Lowe	C	Authorize the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles between the hours of sunset and sunrise if used for snow removal as prescribed	
LB1164	Lowe	C	Change provisions relating to the State Racing and Gaming Commission	
LB1165	Lowe	C	Provide requirements for zoning regulations and duplex housing	5
LB1166	Lowe	C	Provide requirements for zoning regulations and accessory dwelling units	5
LB1167	DeBoer	S	Change provisions relating to individuals arrested without a warrant	
LB1168	DeBoer	C	Adopt the Uniform Health-Care Decisions Act	
LB1169	Erdman	S	Provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to the Nebraska State Historical Society	5, 10, 13, 15
LB1169A	Erdman	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB1170	Riepe	GF	Change provisions of the Employment Security Law relating to benefit amounts and periods of disqualification for benefits	10
LB1171	Hardin	C (>1215)	Change verification requirements for pharmacy technicians	10, 13
LB1172	von Gillern	GF	Change provisions relating to access to health data in certain registries and databases for research purposes	
LB1173	Riepe	C (>1215)	Provide for use of abstracts of death and change a requirement relating to death certificates	10, 13
LB1174	Hansen	GF	Change provisions relating to section lines and vacation or abandonment of public roads	
LB1175	Holdcroft	GF	Change provisions relating to redemption of bonds of political subdivisions	
LB1176	Dungan	GF (>1074)	Adopt the Public Entities Pooled Investment Act	12, 15
LB1177	von Gillern	GF	Change provisions relating to a documentary stamp tax exemption	
LB1178	Wishart	C (>904)	Create the Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Grant Program	6, 10, 15
LB1179	Wishart	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Natural Resources	
LB1180	Wishart	C (>1031)	Change provisions relating to standards established by the Public Service Commission for specialized telecommunications equipment under the Telecommunications Relay System Act	12, 15
LB1181	Ballard	C (>1215)	Change requirements relating to controlled substances, prescription drugs, pharmacists, and pharmacies as prescribed	10, 13
LB1182	Bostar	C	Increase the earned income tax credit	
LB1183	Bostar	C	Change provisions relating to county assessors and require counties to offer to purchase certain property at the assessed value	
LB1184	Bostar	C (>937)	Adopt the Reverse Osmosis System Tax Credit Act, provide for income tax credits, and state intent relating to appropriations	13, 14, 15
LB1185	Lowe	C	Change the offense of obstructing a peace officer	9
LB1186	Sanders	C	Change provisions of the One-Call Notification System Act	
LB1187	Hardin	C	Allow registered nurses to perform auricular acupuncture as prescribed	

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LB1188	Riepe	S	Provide for payment of claims against the state	13
LB1189	Riepe	C	Deny claims against the state	
LB1190	McKinney	GF	Adopt the Professional Service Contract Reporting Act	
LB1191	Conrad	GF (>287)	Eliminate provisions relating to Attorney General opinions on acts of the Legislature	11, 15
LB1192	Conrad	C	Change provisions of the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act and the State Tort Claims Act to allow certain claims by prisoners, detainees, and children in the custody, care, or control of a government entity	
LB1193	Conrad	GF (>71)	Provide a process for a parent or guardian to request that such person's child repeat a grade under certain circumstances	
LB1194	Conrad	C	Require legislative approval of medicaid state plan amendments and state plan amendments for the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families program	
LB1195	Conrad	S (+832, 902,1220, 1265,1268)	Provide requirements for grants awarded by the Commission on Public Advocacy and thirty-party guarantees under the Assisted-Living Facility Act, change provisions relating to homestead exemptions for judgment liens and executions, the Nebraska Probate Code, the Nebraska Uniform Trust Code, the Nebraska Uniform Power of Attorney Act, and the Nebraska Uniform Transfers to Minors Act, and authorize acceptance of cession or retrocession of federal jurisdiction for juvenile matters	14, 15
LB1196	Ballard	GF	Change provisions relating to registration of medication aides	
LB1197	von Gillern	S	Change the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act and allowable uses of competitive grants awarded by the Nebraska Arts Council	
LB1198	Moser	C	Provide for the withholding of the residential address of a county attorney or deputy county attorney from the public in county records	6
LB1199	Moser	GF (>1368)	Repeal provisions relating to certain administrative fees imposed by the Department of Natural Resources	14
LB1200	Moser	S (+226, 891, 900, 929, 966)	Change provisions relating to motor vehicles, roads, excise taxes, and federal law and regulations and provide for coordination of the 911 service system and the 988 suicide and crisis lifeline	10, 15
LB1200A	Moser	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1201	Hardin	GF (>71)	Change provisions relating to the Early Childhood Education Grant Program and redefine terms under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1202	Halloran	GF	Change a requirement for the Title IV-D Division Customer Service Unit of the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1203	J. Cavanaugh	C	Regulate artificial intelligence in media and political advertisements under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	9
LB1204	J. Cavanaugh	S (+981, 1000,1296)	Change provisions relating to certain lotteries and raffles, certain tobacco and nicotine delivery products, the State Lottery Act, the Nebraska Liquor Control Act, the Tobacco Products Tax Act, and public records	10, 13
LB1204A	J. Cavanaugh	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1205	Hughes	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Natural Resources	
LB1206	Arch	C	Eliminate provisions relating to the Long-Term Care Savings Plan Act that terminated	
LB1207	Albrecht	GF (>262)	Redefine a term under the Nebraska Agricultural Products Marketing Act	
LB1208	Bosn	C	Allow for detention of juveniles under the Nebraska Juvenile Code for their own protection	
LB1209	Bosn	C (>1412)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	11
LB1210	Clements	C (>1412)	State legislative intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services and provide for a transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund	11
LB1211	Hansen	C	Change provisions of the Election Act relating to early voting	
LB1212	Walz	C	Adopt the Railroad Safety Act	7

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LB1213	Walz	C	Require employers to provide twenty hours of paid leave per year for school-related activities	6
LB1214	Health & Human Services	S	Change provisions relating to a criminal background check for certain professions under the Uniform Credentialing Act	
LB1215	Hansen	S (+823, 896,1009, 1106,1107, 1138,1171, 1173,1181, 1373)	Adopt the Dietitian Licensure Compact and the Physician Assistant (PA) Licensure Compact, change provisions relating to prescriptions, death certificates, credentialing of barbers, nurses, pharmacies, pharmacy professionals, and certain health care facilities and services, treatment of individuals with communicable tuberculosis, and telehealth consultations, and provide for abstracts of death and coverage under the medical assistance program for certain breast pumps and lactation visits	10, 11, 13
LB1216	Bostar	C	Change calculation of the base limitation for political subdivision budgets	
LB1217	Bostar	C (>1317)	Provide certain property tax exemptions and change valuation provisions relating to rent-restricted housing projects and sales-restricted houses	14, 15
LB1218	Bostar	C (>1317)	Provide for motor vehicle registration of certain electric vehicles, impose an excise tax on electric energy used at commercial electric vehicle charging stations, provide for regulation of certain charging stations, and provide a sales tax exemption for certain electric energy	8, 14, 15
LB1219	J. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt updates to building and energy codes	
LB1220	Bosn	GF (>1195)	Change provisions relating to decedents' estates, transfers to minors, protected persons, powers of attorney for health care, trusts, and powers of attorney	14, 15
LB1221	Day	C	Provide staff training requirements for facilities offering care to persons with Alzheimer's disease, dementia, or related disorders	
LB1222	Day	C	Change provisions relating to termination of parental rights and parental support	
LB1223	Day	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1224	Day	C	Prohibit certain conduct relating to mobile tracking devices and change provisions relating to intercepted communications	
LB1225	McKinney	C	Appropriate funds to the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice	
LB1226	Clements	C	Appropriate funds to the Legislative Council	
LB1227	Ballard	C (>1073)	Change provisions of the Professional Employer Organization Registration Act	14, 15
LB1228	Wayne	C (>1344)	Change the Good Life Transformational Projects Act	13, 15
LB1229	Wayne	C	Transfer duties related to housing from the Department of Economic Development to the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority and change and provide powers and duties for the authority	
LB1230	Wayne	C	Change provisions relating to the applicability of the enrollment option program for any student who enrolls in another school district within the same city as the school district in which such student resides	
LB1231	Wayne	C	Adopt the Nebraska Education Formula and terminate the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	14
LB1232	Wayne	C	Prohibit certain actions under the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure and Regulation Act	
LB1233	Wayne	C (>1413)	Change appropriations and contract provisions regarding a museum and visitor center honoring Chief Standing Bear	11
LB1234	Wayne	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Environment and Energy	
LB1235	Wayne	C	Provide for life insurance for certain members of the Legislature as prescribed	
LB1236	Wayne	C	Change the termination date of the Nebraska Sentencing Reform Task Force	
LB1237	M. Cavanaugh	GF (>62)	Require a report regarding the medical assistance program	10, 15
LB1238	Walz	C	Adopt the Special Educators of Tomorrow Act	12
LB1239	Wayne	C	Appropriate funds to the Game and Parks Commission for the Mayhew Cabin site	
LB1240	Wayne	C	Provide a requirement for state officials and state employees testifying before the Legislature	



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LB1241	von Gillern	C	Change provisions relating to property tax levy limits	
LB1242	McDonnell	C (>1412)	State intent to appropriate funds to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska	
LB1243	McDonnell	GF (>1300)	Adopt the Wildland Fire Response Act	14, 15
LB1244	McDonnell	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Natural Resources	
LB1245	McDonnell	C (>1413)	Change provisions relating to the Lead Service Line Cash Fund and provide for grants	11
LB1246	Brewer	C	Change provisions relating to county government	
LB1247	Hansen	C	Require certain school lands be open to the public for hunting as prescribed and provide powers and duties relating to the use of such school lands for hunting	
LB1248	Kauth	C	Eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions	5
LB1249	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to kit vehicles under the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act	
LB1250	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for grants for bike-sharing programs	6
LB1251	Linehan	C	Authorize state assistance for certain small sports facilities under the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	
LB1252	Linehan	C (>1284)	Provide for a professional learning system and regional coaches for teaching students to read	
LB1253	Linehan	C (>1284)	Create the Dyslexia Research Grant Program	12, 15
LB1254	Linehan	C (>1284)	Provide for a professional learning system and regional coaches for teaching students to read	12, 15
LB1255	Fredrickson	C (>1031)	Change provisions relating to next-generation 911 service	12, 15
LB1256	DeBoer	C (>1031)	Require reports by communications service providers regarding 911 service outages and require a hearing	8, 12, 15
LB1257	DeBoer	C	Change provisions of the 911 Service System Act	
LB1258	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change requirements relating to certain permits and requirements relating to livestock waste control facilities and animal feeding operations	
LB1259	Meyer	C	Provide for grants and bonuses for teachers as prescribed and require the State Department of Education to develop and administer a Classroom Improvement Program	
LB1260	Jacobson	C (>1370)	Provide authority for public power and irrigation district directors to take action on certain agreements in which they have an interest	12, 15
LB1261	Walz	C	Adopt the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Respite Services Act	
LB1262	Day	C	Change and eliminate provisions relating to the Commission on Indian Affairs and provide for an ongoing study relating to Native American voting issues	9
LB1263	Wishart	C	Provide scholarships to students enrolled in trade programs	
LB1264	Wishart	C (>1412)	State intent regarding Federal Funds appropriated for developmental disabilities aid	
LB1265	Conrad	C (>1195)	Change provisions relating to grants for providers of free civil legal services	14, 15
LB1266	Conrad	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska	
LB1267	Conrad	C	Adopt the Uniform Public Expression Protection Act and eliminate provisions relating to actions involving public petition and participation	
LB1268	Conrad	GF (>1195)	Change provisions relating to homestead exemptions for purposes of judgment liens and execution or forced sale	14, 15
LB1269	Hardin	C	Change provisions relating to the duty to retreat when using force in self-defense or defense of another and provide for criminal and civil immunity	6
LB1270	Murman	S	Change provisions relating to the Door to College Scholarship Act	
LB1271	Murman	C	Change provisions relating to the definition of graduate degree programs	
LB1272	Murman	C	Update terminology relating to individualized education programs for high school students	
LB1273	Murman	GF	Provide for admission of and participation in extracurricular activities by certain students that are not residents of the school district as prescribed	

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LB1274	J. Cavanaugh	C	Require insurance coverage of prosthetics and orthotics as prescribed	
LB1275	Brewer	C (>1412)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services	
LB1276	Brewer	C	Change provisions relating to issuance of certain liquor licenses in a city of the second class or village under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	6
LB1277	Wayne	C	Change provisions relating to emergency proclamations for disasters, emergencies, and civil defense emergencies made by the Governor	
LB1278	McKinney	C	Provide for reimbursement of doula and full spectrum doula services under the Medical Assistance Act	7
LB1279	Halloran	C	Provide an income tax adjustment for unrealized capital gains	
LB1280	McDonnell	C	Provide eligibility for child care assistance to qualified apprentices and semiconductor workers	
LB1281	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to when a juvenile detained or placed in an alternative to detention must be released	
LB1282	McDonnell	C	Provide for youth renewal centers for high-risk youth	
LB1283	Arch	C	Correct the name of a commission in the Medicine and Surgery Practice Act	
LB1284	Walz	S (+985, 986,1005, 1014,1050, 1252,1253, 1254)	Provide for and change teacher incentive programs, provide for a pilot program to distribute menstrual products in schools, a Dyslexia Research Grant Program, a professional learning system relating to instruction in reading, and a statewide computer science education expansion program, create and change authorized use of certain funds, and change provisions relating to school psychologists and certain scholarship programs	6, 12, 15
LB1284A	Walz	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1285	Walz	GF	Create the Task Force on Supported Employment	15
LB1286	Walz	C	Provide for an assessment of economic impact by the Legislative Fiscal Analyst	
LB1287	Ballard	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Environment and Energy for drinking water infrastructure	
LB1288	Raybould	S (+923)	Provide for use of tribal enrollment cards for certain firearm and alcohol laws, provide for recognition of tribal mental health and dangerous sex offender commitment orders, and provide for transportation and commitment of persons civilly committed under tribal law	9, 13, 15
LB1289	Bostar	C (>1412)	State legislative intent to appropriate funds to the Adjutant General and provide for a transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund	11
LB1290	DeBoer	GF (>1074)	Provide requirements for special needs trusts as prescribed	12, 15
LB1291	Conrad	C	Require the State Department of Education to administer electronic benefit transfer funds for eligible youth in the summer as prescribed	
LB1292	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to standing to file a petition for a declaratory judgment	
LB1293	Conrad	C	Change appointment provisions and powers and duties of the Public Counsel, the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare, and the Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System	
LB1294	Bostar	C (>1074)	Adopt the Data Privacy Act, change provisions relating to certain certificates and information relating to vital records, and provide for certain records to be exempt from public disclosure	12, 15
LB1295	von Gillern	C (>1317)	Adopt the Financial Institution Data Match Act	14, 15
LB1296	Hughes	C (>1204)	Change provisions relating to electronic nicotine delivery systems and tobacco products and provide for a directory of manufacturers of such systems	6, 10, 13
LB1297	Lippincott	C	Provide requirements for voting and counting systems under the Election Act	
LB1298	Lippincott	C	Provide for the issuance of veteran, honorary, and distinctive licenses under the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act	
LB1299	Hughes	C (>388)	Change the tax on sales of electronic nicotine delivery systems	

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LB1300	Bostar	S (+2, 869, 887, 1048, 1243, 1358)	Adopt the Pacific Conflict Stress Test Act, the Foreign Adversary Contracting Prohibition Act, the Nebraska Nonprofit Security Grant Program Act, and the Wildland Fire Response Act, create the Commission on Asian American Affairs, provide security requirements for chemical facilities, require approval of voters for certain salary increases, and change provisions relating to veterans aid programs	14, 15
LB1300A	Bostar	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1301	DeKay	S	Adopt the Foreign-owned Real Estate National Security Act	6, 12, 15
LB1301A	DeKay	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1302	Lippincott	C	Adopt the Cybersecurity Preparedness Act	
LB1303	Lippincott	C	Require the employment of an ethical hacker by the Nebraska State Patrol	
LB1304	Raybould	C	Require the Department of Environment and Energy to coordinate and cooperate with Nebraska tribal communities on obtaining federal grants	
LB1305	Hansen	GF (>1317)	Prohibit tax liability on the purchase, sale, or exchange of gold or silver bullion, change sales tax exemption provisions relating to currency and bullion, and provide an income tax adjustment for net capital losses and gains on the sale or exchange of gold or silver	15
LB1306	Education	S	Eliminate the Professional Practices Commission and provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to standards for and conduct of teachers and administrators	
LB1306A	Murman	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1307	von Gillern	GF	Require the Director of Insurance to identify certain health benefits and provide for reimbursements for qualified health plan issuers as prescribed	
LB1308	von Gillern	C	Eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions and impose sales and use taxes on certain services	5
LB1309	Linehan	C	Provide an income tax deduction for the costs of medical care	
LB1310	Albrecht	C (>388)	Adopt the Advertising Services Tax Act and eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions	5
LB1311	Meyer	C	Eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions and impose sales and use taxes on certain services	5
LB1312	Dover	GF (>175)	Provide for electronic notices by landlords under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act and the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Act	
LB1313	Dover	S	Provide for regulation of health benefit plans for nonprofit agricultural organizations	7, 10, 12, 13
LB1314	McKinney	C	Provide for grants under the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act and change the distribution of certain interest earnings	
LB1315	Linehan	C	Change the sales tax rate	6
LB1316	Linehan	C	Eliminate provisions relating to the base growth percentage for school districts under the School District Property Tax Limitation Act	
LB1317	Linehan	S (+863, 893, 1043, 1093, 1134, 1217, 1218, 1295, 1305, 1374, 1389, 1397)	Adopt the Financial Institution Data Match Act, the Gambling Winnings Setoff for Outstanding Debt Act, and the Good Life District Economic Development Act, change provisions relating to the Community Development Law, the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act, the First Responder Recruitment and Retention Act, the Good Life Transformational Projects Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, and the Tax Equalization and Review Commission Act, and provide for and change provisions relating to health insurance for first responders and dependents, underutilized tax-exempt property, rent-restricted housing projects, sales-restricted houses, inheritance taxes, property taxes, sales and use tax exemptions and incentives, electric and hybrid motor vehicles and charging stations, and appropriations for nitrate sensors	14, 15
LB1317A	Linehan	S	Appropriation Bill	

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LB1318	Linehan	C	Change the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act and change provisions relating to certain transfers to the Cash Reserve Fund	
LB1319	Linehan	C	Eliminate a sales and use tax exemption relating to data centers	5
LB1320	Ballard	C (>1355)	Require emergency medical services to report patient overdose information as prescribed	
LB1321	Arch	C	Change provisions relating to the Public Counsel, the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare, and the Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System	7
LB1322	Vargas	C	Require that school counselors spend a certain percentage of such counselor's time during normal school hours in the direct counseling of students as prescribed	
LB1323	Vargas	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development	
LB1324	Conrad	C	Adopt the Child Tax Credit Act	
LB1325	Vargas	C (>1355)	Allow pharmacists and local public health departments to distribute fentanyl strips as prescribed	
LB1326	Dungan	S	Change a tax and assessment provision under the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	
LB1327	Brewer	C	Restate findings under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB1328	Murman	GF (>1329)	Change provisions relating to the classification of school districts	
LB1329	Murman	S (+550, 673, 855, 962, 1012, 1328, 1331, 1339, 1377, 1385)	Change provisions relating to handguns and firearms in school environments, classification of school districts, excessive absenteeism and truancy, the enrollment option program, certain educational certificates, permits, and endorsements, certain tax levy and bonding authority of school districts, requirements for various school and education programs, and the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act, provide for grants relating to school mapping data, prohibit certain debt collection activities, and provide requirements for the use of certain maps for schools	12, 15
LB1329A	Murman	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1330	Murman	C	Prohibit public educational institutions from taking certain actions relating to diversity, equity, and inclusion	7
LB1331	Murman	SF (>1329)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act and the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	14
LB1331A	Murman	SF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1332	Dungan	C	Adopt the Prepaid Card Consumer Protection Act	
LB1333	Vargas	C (>1413)	Change provisions of the Business Innovation Act	11
LB1334	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to probation and waiver of probation fees	
LB1335	Moser	S	Change provisions of and provide duties and exemptions under the Nongame and Endangered Species Conservation Act regarding designation of endangered species, critical habitat, and transportation infrastructure	8, 12, 15
LB1336	DeKay	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act and transfer certain powers and duties to the Nebraska Broadband Office	
LB1337	Walz	C	Adopt the School Construction Financing Act	
LB1338	Walz	C	Adopt the Good Life Promise Act	
LB1339	Brewer	C (>1329)	Change provisions relating to possession of firearms in schools and authorize schools to provide emergency response mapping data to public safety agencies	6, 12
LB1340	Kauth	C	Change provisions relating to enforcement of offenses related to interactive or handheld wireless communication devices, speed limit violations, removal of vehicles from highways, and motor vehicle homicide	9
LB1341	Wayne	C	Provide for sales tax on consumable hemp products and state intent regarding funding for post-traumatic stress disorder	
LB1342	Wayne	C	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for electricity and natural gas	



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LB1343	Wayne	C	Change provisions relating to the appointment of the Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare and the Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System	
LB1344	Wayne	S (+350, 1228,1356)	Rename and change provisions of the Community Development Assistance Act and change provisions of the Good Life Transformational Projects Act	13, 15
LB1344A	Wayne	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1345	Wayne	C	Impose sales and use taxes on certain services	5
LB1346	Vargas	C	Provide a property tax exemption for qualified affordable housing developments	
LB1347	Walz	C	Adopt the Community Schools Act	
LB1348	Murman	C	Change provisions relating to comparison groups for purposes of calculating basic funding under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1349	Murman	C (>388)	Eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions and impose sales and use taxes on certain services	5
LB1350	DeBoer	GF	Define certain terms under the Health Care Facilities Licensure Act	
LB1351	DeBoer	C	Change terminology and eliminate obsolete provisions relating to correctional services	
LB1352	DeBoer	C (>1413)	State intent regarding appropriations of Federal Funds allocated to the State of Nebraska pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021	11
LB1353	Vargas	C	Change provisions relating to insurance coverage for screening mammography and breast examinations	7
LB1354	Albrecht	C (>388)	Adopt the Advertising Services Tax Act	5
LB1355	Vargas	S (+1320, 1325)	Provide for release of certain patient data by an emergency medical service, change provisions of the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act, and provide for state aid, research, first responder training, and overdose fatality review	8, 13, 15
LB1355A	Vargas	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1356	Wayne	GF (>1344)	Change provisions relating to the Community Development Assistance Act and provide tax credits	13, 15
LB1356A	Wayne	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1357	McDonnell	C	Prohibit camping on certain property owned by political subdivisions	
LB1358	McDonnell	GF (>1300)	Require approval of the registered voters to increase salaries of governing bodies of political subdivisions as prescribed	14, 15
LB1359	McDonnell	GF	Change provisions relating to the issuance of bonds in a city of the metropolitan class	
LB1360	McDonnell	C	Create the Court Security and Service Reimbursement Program	
LB1361	McDonnell	C	Adopt the Long-Term Resident Homestead Exemption Act	
LB1362	McDonnell	C	Change provisions relating to the valuation of residential property for property tax purposes	
LB1363	McDonnell	FR	Change provisions relating to the rate and disbursement of the documentary stamp tax, the Military Base Development and Support Fund, the Economic Recovery Contingency Fund, and the Health Care Homes for the Medically Underserved Fund, and change inheritance tax rates	15
LB1363A	McDonnell	FR	Appropriation Bill	
LB1364	McDonnell	C	Change provisions of the Site and Building Development Act and provide for a transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund	
LB1365	McDonnell	GF (>198)	Change provisions relating to retirement, the Public Employees Retirement Board, the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems, and the State Personnel System	
LB1366	J. Cavanaugh	C	Change provisions relating to the use of eminent domain	5
LB1367	J. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Property Tax Circuit Breaker Act	
LB1368	Ibach	S (+1199)	Adopt the Nitrogen Reduction Incentive Act and provide for a transfer from the Water Resources Cash Fund	7, 13, 14, 15
LB1368A	Ibach	S	Appropriation Bill	

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LB1369	J. Cavanaugh	GF	Require interconnection for electricity distribution between local distribution systems and agricultural self-generation facilities	
LB1370	Bostelman	S (+120, 956, 969, 1260)	Provide requirements for electric generation facilities, transmission lines, wind energy conversion systems, and retirement of a dispatchable electric generation facility and change provisions relating to public power districts	12, 15
LB1371	Vargas	C	Adopt the Media Literacy Act and provide and change graduation requirements and academic content standards	8
LB1372	Brandt	C	Change provisions relating to individual and corporate income tax rates and property tax credits	
LB1373	Blood	GF (>1215)	Adopt the Dietitian Licensure Compact and change provisions relating to criminal background checks	11, 13
LB1374	Linehan	C (>1317)	Adopt the Good Life District Economic Development Act	7, 14, 15
LB1375	Lowe	C	Change powers and duties of county planning commissions and county boards related to conditional use permits and special exceptions	
LB1376	Riepe	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for prescription reimbursements	
LB1377	Walz	GF (>1329)	Change requirements relating to training for certain school employees	
LB1378	Dover	C (>1412)	State legislative intent to appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services as prescribed and change provisions relating to certain funds	
LB1379	Dover	C	Change the rate and disbursement of the documentary stamp tax and provide for grants by the Department of Economic Development for its comprehensive housing affordability strategy	
LB1380	Dover	C (>1412)	State intent to appropriate funds for Wyuka Cemetery and provide for a transfer from the Cash Reserve Fund	
LB1381	Hansen	C	Provide work requirements for recipients of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	
LB1382	Hansen	C	Prohibit paying petition circulators based on the number of signatures and prohibit certain contributions to ballot question committees	
LB1383	Raybould	C	Provide for grants to Indian tribes to improve drinking water systems or sanitary sewer systems	
LB1384	Raybould	C	Provide for grants to cities and villages from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund	
LB1385	Kauth	C (>1329)	Change provisions relating to the issuance of and eligibility for certificates and permits issued by the State Department of Education	12, 15
LB1386	Hansen	C	Establish an educational savings account for each student enrolled in an approved or accredited private, denominational, or parochial school for qualified educational expenses as prescribed	5
LB1387	Hansen	C	Change provisions relating to approval and regulation of adding fluoride to the water supply of certain political subdivisions	14
LB1388	Bostar	C	Adopt the Excellence in Education Scholarship Act and the Community College Promise Act and provide for transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund	
LB1389	Bostar	C (>1317)	Provide for a personal property tax exemption for broadband equipment as prescribed	14, 15
LB1390	Bostar	C	Require a report and prohibit certain activities related to elections and change and provide penalties	
LB1391	Ballard	C	Require certain high schools to have automated external defibrillators and an athletics emergency action plan as prescribed	
LB1392	Ballard	C	Change provisions relating to the Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee	
LB1393	Hansen	S	Change provisions relating to the combined tax rate under the Employment Security Law and the Nebraska Student-Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Rights Act	7, 12, 15
LB1394	Brewer	S	Exempt Nebraska National Guard income from state income taxation	8, 15
LB1394A	Brewer	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1395	Murman	C	Adopt the Natural Asset Company Prohibition Act	

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LB1396	Murman	C	Change labeling provisions relating to misbranded food under the Nebraska Pure Food Act	
LB1397	Murman	C (>1317)	Redefine agricultural land and horticultural land for property tax purposes	15
LB1398	Murman	C	Change provisions relating to reimbursement for special education programs and support services relating to option students	
LB1399	Murman	C	Change provisions relating to the involvement of parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers in the education of their children	6, 15
LB1400	Ballard	C (>1023)	Adopt the Relocation Incentive Act and provide tax incentives	5, 12
LB1401	Ballard	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Transportation	
LB1402	Linehan	S	Require the State Treasurer to establish education scholarships and eliminate the Opportunity Scholarships Act	6, 15
LB1402A	Linehan	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1403	Linehan	GF	Change provisions of the Opportunity Scholarships Act and the use of credits under the act	
LB1404	Wayne	C	Change membership of the Commission on African American Affairs and provide for a quorum	
LB1405	Wayne	C	Prohibit the purchase of single-family housing by certain entities	
LB1406	Sanders	C (>867)	Provide for an active-duty military permit for state park entry	10, 15
LB1407	Sanders	C (>1413)	Rename and change provisions relating to the Military Base Development and Support Fund	11
LB1408	Sanders	GF	Require human trafficking informational posters in hotels, require hotels to adopt a policy and train employees, and limit liability as prescribed	7
LB1409	Bostar	C (>1073)	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Condominium Act	14, 15
LB1410	Linehan	C	Change provisions relating to tax incentives under the Imagine Nebraska Act	
LB1411	Clements	C	Appropriate Federal Funds to the Department of Transportation	
LB1412	Speaker Arch	S (+850, 858, 930, 941, 1077, 1099, 1124, 1125, 1209, 1210, 1242, 1264, 1275, 1289, 1378, 1380)	Provide, change, and eliminate appropriations for operation of state government, postsecondary education, state aid, capital construction, and federal funds allocated to the State of Nebraska from the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021	5, 11, 12, 13
LB1413	Speaker Arch	S (+975, 1233, 1245, 1333, 1352, 1407)	Transfer and provide for the transfer of funds and create and change the use and distribution of funds	5, 11, 12, 13
LB1414	Linehan	C	Adopt the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act and change provisions relating to budget limitations	5
LB1415	Dover	C	Adopt the Property Tax Relief Act and change the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act	5
LB1416	Bostar	GF (>164)	Adopt the Child Care Capacity Building and Workforce Act	10, 15
LB1416A	Bostar	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1417	Brewer	GF	Create, eliminate, terminate, and provide, change, eliminate, and transfer powers, duties, and membership of boards, commissions, committees, councils, task forces, panels, authorities, and departments and change and eliminate funds	
LR275CA	Blood	W	Constitutional amendment to repeal provisions that prohibit a person from being denied employment because of membership in or nonmembership in a labor organization	
LR276	Ibach	C	Urge Congress to change the boundary of the Central Time Zone in Nebraska	

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LR277CA	Sanders	C	Constitutional amendment to require the Legislature to enact laws providing for life imprisonment for sex or labor trafficking of a minor and certain sex offenses involving minors	
LR278CA	Murman	C	Constitutional amendment to change the membership of the State Board of Education	
LR279CA	Holdcroft	GF	Constitutional amendment to require the Legislature to enact laws providing for a minimum term of life imprisonment for certain offenses against first responders	
LR280CA	Wayne	C	Constitutional amendment to remove the Attorney General and the Secretary of State from the Board of Pardons	
LR281CA	Erdman	C	Constitutional amendment to provide for biennial legislative sessions beginning in 2027	
LR282	Lippincott	C	Application to Congress for a convention of the states to propose an amendment to the United States Constitution to set a limit on the number of terms members of the House and Senate may serve	
LR283CA	M. Cavanaugh	C	Constitutional amendment to create the Legislative Salary Commission	
LR284CA	DeBoer	C	Constitutional amendment to create the office of Public Counsel in the Legislature	
LR285CA	McDonnell	C	Constitutional amendment authorizing the Legislature to provide a different method of taxing residential property	
LR286CA	von Gillern	GF	Constitutional amendment to prohibit the State of Nebraska from contracting with or investing in companies that have active business operations with any foreign terrorist organization or state sponsor of terrorism	
LR287CA	J. Cavanaugh	C	Constitutional amendment to require the Legislature to compensate political subdivisions for any locally imposed revenue source that is reduced or eliminated by the Legislature	
LR298	Arch	P	Provide for the Executive Board of the Legislative Council to appoint a committee of the Legislature to be known as the Legislative Oversight Review Special Committee of the Legislature	7, 8
LR303	Murman	C	Interim study to examine the viability of adopting the Classical Learning Test as an option for meeting admissions requirements at the University of Nebraska and the Nebraska state colleges	
LR314	Clements	C	Interim study to examine adjustments to county revenue sources and elimination of unnecessary county expenses to compensate for a phaseout of the Nebraska inheritance tax by 2029	
LR319	Conrad	C	Interim study to determine whether student-to-teacher ratio requirements should be considered or implemented in Nebraska by statute or regulation	
LR320	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine changes to the enrollment option program to ensure students with disabilities have an increased ability to access enrollment opportunities	
LR321	Conrad	C	Interim study to determine the scope and use of student surveillance, monitoring, and tracking technology by school officials in Nebraska	
LR324	Conrad	C	Interim study to determine whether Nebraska statutes should be modified to provide a tax credit or consideration towards the purchase of a new or replacement vehicle for a private seller who sells a vehicle	
LR325	Dungan	C	Interim study to determine whether changes to Nebraska statutes relating to pretrial discovery are necessary to accommodate or to provide for parties to inspect or extract information from personal communication devices, computers, and other similar devices	
LR332	J. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to consider changes to Nebraska law relating to hemp, controlled substances, and related areas of the law	
LR333	Conrad	C	Interim study to determine whether legislation similar to the model Hunger-Free Campus Bill is needed to address hunger and basic needs insecurity of Nebraska college students	



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LR334	Raybould	C	Interim study to consider strategies to ensure public access to the Nebraska State Capitol and adequate offstreet parking for state employees working in the State Capitol and state buildings near the Capitol	
LR335	M. Cavanaugh	C	Censure and condemn Senator Steve Halloran for his conduct toward other members of the Legislature	13
LR336	Dungan	C	Interim study to examine the method of funding for court interpreters and determine a stable or permanent funding arrangement	
LR337	Hansen	C	Interim study to examine public assistance programs in Nebraska to determine whether program structures could be improved	
LR338	Riepe	C	Interim study to examine health care delivery systems situated in rural areas, defined as all counties except Douglas, Lancaster, and Sarpy	
LR339	McKinney	C	Interim study to consider reforms to the parole process	
LR340	McKinney	C	Interim study to review the death penalty in Nebraska	
LR341	McKinney	C	Interim study to determine the scope and use by school districts of a ban and bar action, banning and barring individuals from school property	
LR342	Bosn	C	Interim study to consider changes to the juvenile justice system to address impacted juveniles who have mental health and substance use diagnoses	
LR344	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the General Affairs Committee	
LR345	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine all licenses issued by the State Racing and Gaming Commission	
LR346	DeBoer	C	Interim study to review landlord-tenant law to determine whether legislative reforms can be enacted to further protect and empower victims and survivors of domestic violence or sexual violence and their dependents	
LR347	Dungan	C	Interim study to examine the frequency of claims brought under the Political Subdivisions Torts Claims Act and the State Tort Claims Act and the frequency of tort claims brought against other states	
LR348	Dungan	C	Interim study to examine a respondent's right to a trial by jury under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act	
LR349	Linehan	C	Interim study to examine the funding sources, including tax incentives and other methods, used for early childhood education programs in Nebraska	
LR351	Raybould	C	Interim study to examine the safe storage of firearms	
LR352	Raybould	C	Interim study to assess identified improvement projects for clean water and drinking water systems in Nebraska	
LR353	Lowe	C	Interim study to examine the pricing and taxation of alcohol in Nebraska	
LR354	Conrad	C	Interim study to assess state-led programs pertaining to the Nebraska workforce	
LR355	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine and compare the process for adopting, promulgating, and eliminating rules and regulations in Nebraska and in other states, and updates to the Administrative Procedure Act	
LR356	von Gillern	C	Interim study to examine changes to reimbursements for senators' expenditures, technology, and functional aspects of their positions	
LR357	Holdcroft	C	Interim study to determine to what extent, if any, there is a necessity to bolster election security in the State of Nebraska	
LR358	Slama	C	Interim study to examine the causes of increasing commercial insurance premiums and the impacts on Nebraska businesses	
LR359	McKinney	C	Interim study to review the concept of property development in the State of Nebraska	
LR360	McKinney	C	Interim study to review the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act	
LR361	M. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to conduct a review of the fees that fund Nebraska's cash funds	
LR362	Brewer	C	Interim study to examine the dangers posed by artificial intelligence for elections	

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LR363	Brewer	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for water-based fire protection system contractors in furtherance of the purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR364	Brewer	C	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for private detectives, private detective agencies, and plain clothes investigators in furtherance of the purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR365	Day	C	Interim study to examine school guidelines and policies relating to LGBTQ bullying prevention	
LR366	Day	C	Interim study to examine opportunities under the medical assistance program to improve state beneficiaries' social determinants of health by allowing coverage of clinically appropriate interventions that address enrollees' health-related social needs	
LR367	Day	C	Interim study to examine mechanisms to slow the rise of property tax valuations during periods of rapid property value increases	
LR368	Day	C	Interim study to examine the process for school districts to change the boundaries of individual schools within their districts	
LR369	Day	C	Interim study to examine the barriers to voting and equal representation for Native Americans in Nebraska	
LR370	Day	C	Interim study to examine the rise of retailers moving to digital-only transactions	
LR371	Day	C	Interim study to examine the status of laws relating to consent and campus sexual assault in Nebraska	
LR372	Day	C	Interim study to examine Nebraska's policies relating to the Board of Nursing and to evaluate the usefulness of the Board of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses	
LR373	Ibach	C	Interim study to examine different methods, including potential statutory changes, to address the need to recruit, train, and retain individuals to practice dentistry in Nebraska	
LR374	Ibach	C	Interim study to examine the availability of healthy and affordable food choices in Nebraska communities	
LR375	Ibach	C	Interim study to examine different methods, including potential statutory changes, to address the need to recruit, train, and retain individuals who practice production animal veterinary services in Nebraska	
LR376	Moser	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee	
LR377	von Gillern	C	Interim study to examine the components of the State of Nebraska's public health registry data collection and the release of that data to appropriate research entities	
LR378	Murman	C	Interim study to examine the viability of selling land managed by the Board of Educational Lands and Funds	
LR379	Bostar	C	Interim study to examine the role of health insurance for biomarker testing and the use of biomarker testing in public and private payor markets	
LR380	DeBoer	C	Interim study to examine issues regarding affordable broadband in Nebraska	
LR381	DeBoer	C	Interim study to conduct a comprehensive examination of court fees as a funding source for the court system and the judicial branch	
LR382	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the governance and representation of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska	
LR383	Hughes	C	Interim study to examine improvements to the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act and potential alternative funding mechanisms for Nebraska public schools	
LR384	Linehan	C	Interim study to examine nonprofit organizations, their nonprofit status, the way they use their nontaxable income, and the ways they use their nontaxable income for political purposes	

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LR385	Linehan	C	Interim study to examine state standardized testing required in elementary and secondary public schools and the (AQuESTT) system used to classify schools under the Quality Education Accountability Act	
LR386	Day	C	Interim study to examine the scope of practice for behavior analysts in the State of Nebraska	
LR387	Day	C	Interim study to examine payment rates and methodology used by the Department of Health and Human Services for child and adolescent behavioral health care, child welfare, and juvenile service providers	
LR388	Wishart	C	Interim study to examine what funding and appropriations are necessary to address the parking shortage for state employees and members of the public in the State Capitol environs	
LR389	Clements	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Committee	
LR390	Brewer	C	Interim study to determine whether Nebraska statutes should be changed to accommodate official recognition of customary adoptions	
LR391	von Gillern	C	Interim study to examine State Capitol building improvements, including lighting, workstations, updated plumbing in restrooms, and improved safety of building exits	
LR392	Hansen	C	Interim study to examine the costs and frequency of rebasing provider rates and to develop a methodology for rebasing such rates	
LR393	DeBoer	C	Interim study to examine safety and accessibility issues for the State Capitol Building	
LR394	Holdcroft	C	Interim study to identify and review all programs and services enacted by the Legislature which may result in an increase in expenditures of funds by counties and county governments assigned to provide such programs and services	
LR395	Bosn	C	Interim study to examine the tax and surcharge burden imposed on telecommunications services	
LR396	Health & Human Services	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Health & Human Services Committee	
LR397	Health & Human Services	C	Interim study to examine the structure and processes of the credentialing review process known as the "407 process"	
LR398	Halloran	C	Interim study to examine the development and use of messenger RNA vaccines in livestock	
LR399	Halloran	C	Interim study to review occupational regulations under the Nebraska Potato Development Act and the Plant Protection and Plant Pest Act for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR400	Halloran	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Agriculture Committee	
LR401	DeBoer	C	Interim study to conduct a comprehensive examination of Nebraska's county jails	
LR402	DeBoer	C	Interim study to examine and monitor broadband expansion in Nebraska	
LR403	DeBoer	C	Interim study to examine telecommunications and issues discussed during the hearing on LB1256 introduced in the One Hundred Eighth Legislature	
LR404	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine the impact of the services provided to eligible recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program funds	
LR405	Conrad	C	Interim study to examine the process the Department of Health and Human Services uses in selecting a provider to service a foster home	
LR406	McDonnell	C	Interim study to explore the development of an institution dedicated to providing instruction, orientation, and professional development tailored for elected officials and office holders in Nebraska	
LR407	McDonnell	C	Interim study to examine the City of Omaha Employees' Retirement System for Omaha's civilian employees and the City of Omaha Police and Fire Retirement System for Omaha's police and fire employees	

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LR408	McDonnell	P	Interim study to examine the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems administered by the Public Employees Retirement Board	
LR409	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 administered by political subdivisions	
LR410	Dorn	C	Interim study to examine the long-term fiscal sustainability of and how to best direct funding and appropriations towards sustaining a strong health care workforce in Nebraska, especially in rural communities	
LR411	Dungan	C	Interim study to review LB1072, introduced in the One Hundred Eighth Legislature, relating to the topic of sustainable aviation fuel	
LR412	J. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to examine changes to state law regarding the use of artificial intelligence in political campaigns	
LR413	J. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to examine Nebraska laws regarding theft with intent to sell stolen goods as scrap metal	
LR414	Meyer	C	Interim study to determine the feasibility of having the state run all property assessment in Nebraska, merging county assessors with another office, or having county assessors be an appointed position	
LR415	M. Cavanaugh	C	Interim study to examine the historic unwind of the federal COVID-19 Medicaid continuous coverage requirements as implemented by the Department of Health and Human Services	
LR416	Dover	C	Interim study to examine what funding options and appropriations may be necessary to improve the return on investment of housing incentives offered by the State of Nebraska	
LR417	Dover	C	Interim study to provide a comprehensive examination of the funding structure of Nebraska's transportation system and to identify strategies to fund highway maintenance and construction	
LR418	Dover	C	Interim study to examine the current property tax valuation process	
LR419	Hughes	C	Interim study to examine school meal programs in Nebraska	
LR420	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine the budget needs of and funding sources for regional behavioral health authorities	
LR421	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine addiction with an emphasis on the examination of opioid addiction	
LR422	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine the needs, successes, and challenges relating to behavioral health in Nebraska	
LR423	Hansen	C	Interim study to examine child care providers in Nebraska and the shortage of child care options in rural Nebraska	
LR424	Linehan	C	Interim study to examine occupation taxes	
LR425	Murman	C	Interim study to examine the challenges faced by families with special needs students in enrolling such students as option students in other school districts under the enrollment option program	
LR426	Conrad	C	Interim study relating to public records requests to determine whether reports of the resistance of government entities to public record requests are representative or isolated	
LR427	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine the use of the child care subsidy program in section 68-1206 as an incentive to recruit and retain employees in the child care industry	
LR428	Hardin	C	Interim study to review how the State of Nebraska can ensure it has effective emergency medical services in rural communities	
LR429	Hardin	C	Interim study to examine the Child Care Licensing Act and the availability and affordability of liability insurance for licensed child care providers in Nebraska	
LR430	Bostar	C	Interim study to examine the impact of artificial intelligence on Nebraska's private and public sectors, including the technology and insurance sectors	



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LR431	Jacobson	C	Interim study to examine the roles of various entities in the pharmaceutical supply chain	
LR432	Jacobson	C	Interim study to examine the impact of digital asset data mining on Nebraska public power districts, electric ratepayers, and communities	
LR433	Day	C	Interim study to examine the availability and access to data regarding maternal and infant health care in Nebraska	
LR434	Brandt	C	Interim study to examine tourism, including agritourism, in the State of Nebraska	
LR435	Raybould	C	Interim study to assess the loss of funding to Nebraska counties as a result of an elimination of the Nebraska inheritance tax and to identify potential state funding sources to replace lost revenue	
LR436	Hansen	C	Interim study to examine the initiative and referendum petition processes in the twenty-six states in which such a process exists	
LR437	Urban Affairs	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Urban Affairs Committee	
LR438	McKinney	C	Interim study to review the occupational regulations for fire alarm inspectors	
LR439	McKinney	C	Interim study to explore whether the size of school districts has contributed to historical student underachievement within the Class V school district	
LR440	McKinney	C	Interim study to examine how to close the educational achievement gap in the Class V school district	
LR441	Armendariz	C	Interim study to examine the impact of local housing regulations on Nebraska's housing supply	
LR442	Ballard	C	Interim study to examine the scope and function of the Nebraska Health Information Initiative and its affiliates in Nebraska	
LR443	Wishart	C	Interim study to examine assisted-living facility reimbursement rates at different facilities throughout Nebraska	
LR444	Wishart	C	Interim study to examine the oversight of staffing agencies, including health care staffing agencies, in Nebraska	
LR469	Natural Resources	C	Interim study to examine existing, new, and emerging technologies in the nuclear energy industry	
LR495	Judiciary	C	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Judiciary Committee	
LR496	Education	C	Interim study to examine issues relating to the State Department of Education	

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