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AGRICULTURE



Sen. Barry DeKay, chairperson of the Agriculture Committee

The Agriculture Committee considered measures this session to modernize the funding and structure of the Nebraska Brand Committee and to update regulation of the ethanol industry, grain warehouses and dealers, fertilizers, soil conditioners and noxious weeds.

Lawmakers passed LB1187, introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay, which updates several Brand Committee fees, including raising the maximum per-head inspection fee from \$1.10 to \$1.50 and replacing mileage-based travel charges with a flat surcharge of up to \$30 per inspection stop.

Among other provisions, the measure revises how feedlot fees are calculated, replacing the current flat structure with a formula based on inspection fees. Feedlots will pay an annual charge equal to 25% of the per-head inspection fee multiplied by a facility's capacity. The bill also increases the statutory cap on the brand renewal fee, set by the committee, from \$200 to \$400.

The measure creates a classification for dairy heifer development facilities and exempts certain dairy-related cattle movements from inspection, such as transfers be-

tween development facilities and dairies.

In addition, LB1187 changes the Brand Committee's membership. Beginning Aug. 28, the current five-member committee will be replaced by a seven-member group composed of five cattle producers — one from each newly created geographic district — along with a cattle feeding operation owner or operator and a livestock auction market owner.

The governor will appoint all members, and current members may be reappointed if they meet the new requirements.

LB1187 passed 39-9.

Senators also approved a measure that updates regulation of the state's ethanol industry.

LB815, sponsored by Plymouth Sen. Tom Brandt and passed 35-14, expands the Nebraska Ethanol Board from seven to nine members and updates the board's mission.



Sen. Tom Brandt

The measure eliminates outdated authorities, repeals obsolete provisions tied to expired incentive programs and defines an ethanol producer as an individual who spends at least 50% of their professional time on operational or business management activities at an ethanol production facility.

Additionally, LB815 adjusts fuel-related taxes tied to ethanol programs. Beginning Oct. 1, a quarter-cent per gallon excise tax will be imposed on dyed diesel used for off-road purposes. The first \$140,000 collected each year will be directed to the Motor Fuel Tax Enforcement and Collection Cash Fund, with the remainder directed to the Agricultural Alcohol Fuel Tax Fund, which funds the ethanol board's promotional activities.

The bill also removes a petroleum release remedial action fee on dyed diesel and shifts existing fees by removing one on dyed diesel while increasing the fee on clear diesel to 0.6 cents per gallon.

Lawmakers also expanded oversight of grain warehouses and dealers this session.

LB894, introduced by DeKay, eliminates an exemption that allowed certain warehouses to avoid classification as grain dealers when engaging in grain dealing activities if the grain involved in the transaction was first unloaded at their facilities.

The bill also replaces the current \$100 annual grain dealer license fee and the annual grain warehouse license fee with fees established by the Nebraska Public Service Commission. Those fees are capped at \$1,500 for the grain dealer license and an amount that does not exceed current federal license fees for grain warehouses.

Existing fees will remain in place until July 1, 2027, and

the commission must submit a proposed fee schedule to the Legislature by Dec. 1.

License revenue will continue to be deposited in the state's General Fund until July 1, 2027, after which it will be redirected to the newly created Grain Dealer and Grain Warehouse Cash Fund.

Among other provisions, LB894 also revises rules that allow grain producers to claim against a dealer's security in the event of a grain dealer insolvency. The bill repeals statutory requirements that grain sellers meet certain payment demands and notice deadlines to preserve their right to seek payment for grain delivered but not paid for.

Included in the bill are provisions of DeKay's LB895, which remove an exemption from licensure for federally licensed warehouses and instead provide that those warehouses automatically qualify for state licensure and are not subject to a state license fee. The measure also exempts federally licensed warehouses from bonding and regulatory filing fees other than those required under federal law.

LB894 passed on a 44-3 vote.

An omnibus bill modernizing regulatory language and updating certain fees relating to fertilizer and soil conditioners was approved this session.

LB948, introduced by the Agriculture Committee, renames the Nebraska Commercial Fertilizer and Soil Conditioners Act as the Nebraska Commercial Fertilizer and Beneficial Substances Act. It also incorporates beneficial substances — such as biostimulants that support a plant's natural processes — as regulated products and revises fees collected under the act.

The bill adds a new registration fee of \$50 per product to cover the state Department of Agriculture's cost of reviewing product labels, increases the minimum tonnage inspection fee from \$5 to \$10 and increases an annual license fee for distributing fertilizers and beneficial substances from \$15 to \$25.

Finally, the measure includes provisions of LB947, also introduced by the committee, that:

- revise authority for license, inspection and certification fees under the Plant Protection and Plant Pest Act;
- repeal obsolete sections of state law relating to non-functioning agricultural organizations;
- update fees under the Nebraska Pesticide Act;
- amend the department's duties relating to publishing and distributing the "Weeds of the Great Plains" book;
- repeal the Nebraska Poultry and Egg Act on Dec. 31, 2027; and
- terminate the Potato Development Cash Fund and direct residual funds to the Plant Protection and Plant Pest Cash Fund.

LB948 passed 35-10 and took effect immediately.

Finally, lawmakers voted 39-9 to approve a bill that creates a new grant source for noxious weed control programs in Nebraska.

LB807, sponsored by Sen. Teresa Ibach of Sumner, establishes riparian vegetation management projects as eligible for state aid grant assistance through the Water Resources Cash Fund, administered by the state Department of Water, Energy and Environment.

Administration of the Noxious Weed Control Act remains with the state Department of Agriculture.

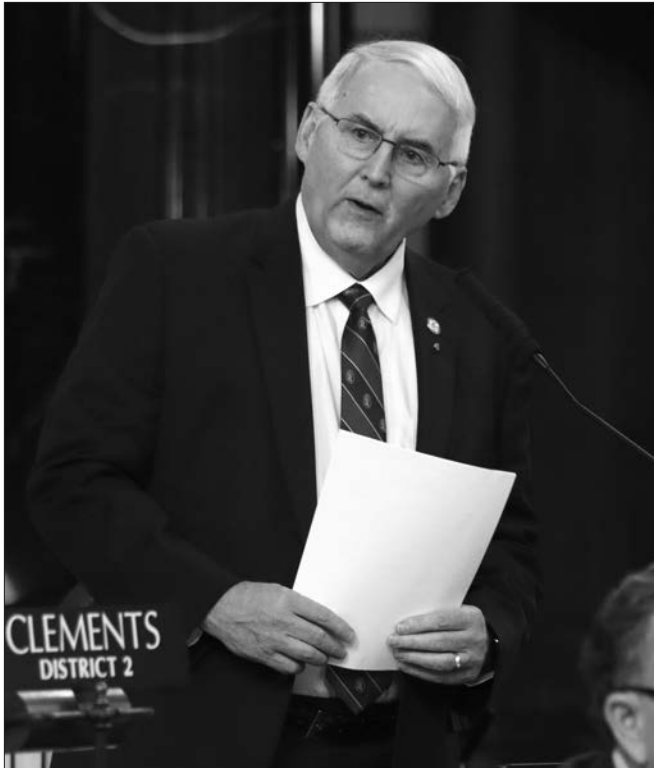
Eligible grant fund uses include riparian vegetation removal to improve streamflow conveyance and related equipment purchases. Eligible recipients include natural resources districts, weed control authorities and other weed management entities.

Priority will be given to projects on streams subject to an interstate compact or decree. ■



Sen. Teresa Ibach

APPROPRIATIONS



Sen. Robert Clements, chairperson of the Appropriations Committee

Lawmakers made adjustments to the state's two-year budget this session, closing a projected budget shortfall of more than \$646 million.

The Appropriations Committee's budget adjustment package reduced that shortfall to \$37 million through a variety of cuts to general fund appropriations, sweeps from state agency cash funds and reappropriation of existing general fund dollars.

The passage of several revenue-generating proposals closed the remaining gap.

LB1071 is the main budget adjustment bill introduced by Speaker John Arch of La Vista on behalf of Gov. Jim Pillen. The measure provides, changes and eliminates provisions related to appropriations for state expenses for the biennium ending June 30, 2027.



Sen. John Arch

Included in the measure are provisions of the following bills:

- LB858, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson, which appropriates \$500,000 from the Health

Care Cash Fund to the state Department of Health and Human Services for aid to federally qualified health centers;

- LB1070, sponsored by Sen. Robert



Sen. Robert Dover

Dover of Norfolk, which appropriates \$6 million from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to be disbursed to approved projects under the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act;



Sen. John Fredrickson

- LB1140, introduced by Omaha Sen. Ashlei Spivey, which earmarks \$500,000 of existing appropriated general funds in the state Department of Education Vocational Rehabilitation program for a multi-trade pre-apprenticeship pilot program serving young adults in a metropolitan class city;



Sen. Ashlei Spivey

- LB1190, sponsored by Sen. Danielle Conrad of Lincoln, which amends an earmark to expand eligibility for aid for mentorship programs for nonprofit organizations administered by the state Department of Economic Development; and



Sen. Danielle Conrad

- LB1248, introduced by Dover, which appropriates \$38 million in federal funds previously appropriated to the state Department of Water, Energy and Environment for a grant to a first class city for wastewater treatment facilities, with certification of matching funds by an eligible applicant.

The bill passed 35-13 and took effect immediately.

Also introduced by Arch at the request of the governor, LB1072 transfers \$152 million from the Cash Reserve Fund and makes a number of changes to other fund transfers, agency powers and duties and a variety of programs.

Among the proposals included in LB1072 are:

- LB844, introduced by Sen. Victor Rountree of Bellevue, which expands grant eligibility under the Site and Building Development Fund to authorize a grant of \$100,000 to a nonprofit organization for building rehabilitation for purposes of food



Sen. Victor Rountree

distribution in certain counties;

- LB862, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Jason Prokop, which extends intent language under the Nebraska Reading Improvement Act for regional coaches and job-embedded training relating to evidence-based reading instruction;
- LB992, introduced by Dover, which creates the Nebraska Technology Infrastructure Cash Fund and requires that documentation related to software, informational technology hardware and a planning report be included with agency budget requests;
- LB1229, sponsored by Sidney Sen. Paul Strommen, which requires the state Department of Health and Human Services to designate a unique budget subprogram for purposes of federal law for the Rural Health Transformation Program; and
- LB1231, also introduced by Strommen, which amends the Animal Damage Control Cash Fund to include intent to appropriate funds for the animal damage control program and amends the Panhandle Improvement Project Cash Fund to authorize transfers to the Animal Damage Control Cash Fund.



Sen. Jason Prokop



Sen. Paul Strommen

LB1072 also passed on a 35-13 vote and took effect immediately.

Other measures

Lawmakers passed a bill as part of the budget adjustment package that provides for payment of a series of claims against the state and agency write-offs.

LB1133, sponsored by Business and Labor Committee chairperson Sen. Kathleen Kauth of Omaha, approves \$695,507 in settled claims; six Workers' Compensation Court claims totaling



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

\$1.17 million and a variety of state agency write-offs totaling \$2.84 million.

The measure passed 48-0 and took effect immediately.

A proposal heard by the Appropriations Committee to implement a Money Follows the Person Program for the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care within the state Department of Health and Human Services was advanced to general file.

LB1143, sponsored by Gering Sen. Brian Hardin, then was amended into LB867, a Health and Human Services Committee omnibus bill, which passed this session.



Sen. Brian Hardin

An effort to use an Appropriations Committee proposal as a vehicle to increase salaries for various constitutional officers stalled this session.

LB1210 was introduced by Sen. Robert Clements of Elmwood as a shell bill for the committee. He offered a general file amendment to replace the proposal with an amended version of LB345.

That proposal, introduced last year by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee and advanced to general file, would have increased the salaries of seven offices established in the state constitution.

The amendment would have increased salaries as outlined below:

- governor, from \$105,000 to \$130,000;
- lieutenant governor, from \$75,000 to \$95,000;
- attorney general, from \$95,000 to \$120,000;
- secretary of state, from \$85,000 to \$110,000;
- state treasurer, from \$85,000 to \$110,000;
- state auditor, from \$85,000 to \$110,000; and
- public service commissioners, from \$75,000 to \$85,000.

Lawmakers rejected the Clements amendment 21-18. Twenty-five votes were needed. LB1210 then was advanced to select file on a 34-3 vote, but was not scheduled for further debate this session. ■

BANKING, COMMERCE & INSURANCE



Sen. Mike Jacobson, chairperson of the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee

Protecting agricultural data, enhancing the state's affordable housing efforts and strengthening regulations and consumer protections across a variety of business sectors were among the issues considered by the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee this session.

Consumer protections

Lawmakers approved a measure aimed at creating comprehensive privacy protections for Nebraska agricultural data and strengthening regulation of conversational artificial intelligence.

LB525, introduced last session by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson on behalf of Gov. Jim Pillen, requires controllers and potential controllers of agricultural data to enter into written consent agreements with agricultural producers before providing, using or selling that data.

Among other provisions, the bill prohibits the sale of an

agricultural producer's raw data by anyone other than the producer who controls or processes that data, and requires any controller or processor in possession of such data to establish, implement and maintain reasonable security practices to protect the information.

Under the bill, starting Jan. 1, 2027, every new contract or agreement involving the collection or processing of agricultural data in Nebraska must include a specific provision that prohibits the selling of that data unless the producer has given express written consent.

Any contract entered into after that date that waives or limits the requirements of the bill will be void and unenforceable. The state attorney general may bring an action for violations to either seek injunctive relief or a civil penalty of \$1,000 per violation.

Also included in the bill are the provisions of LB1185, sponsored by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln, which adopt the Conversational Artificial Intelligence Safety Act. The provisions require disclosure when a user reasonably could believe that they are interacting with a human being and add additional safeguards for minor account holders.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

The measure also requires a protocol to respond to prompts involving suicidal ideation or self-harm that includes referral to crisis services, and prohibits a service from claiming to be designed to provide professional mental or behavioral health care.

The attorney general is empowered to enforce the provisions through civil action.

LB525 passed on a 49-0 vote.

Also sponsored by Jacobson, LB838 authorizes an optional program for financial institutions under which a vulnerable or senior adult may designate an authorized contact to be notified by a financial institution in the event of an emergency, loss of contact with the customer or suspected financial exploitation.

The measure includes provisions from the following bills:

- LB837, also introduced by Jacobson, which addresses how merchants treat transactions involving physical currency now that the U.S. Mint has stopped producing pennies;
- LB875, sponsored by Syracuse Sen. Bob Hallstrom, which prohibits suppliers from including clauses in contracts that waive compliance with the Equipment Business Regulation Act or mandate that legal disputes be



Sen. Bob Hallstrom

resolved in out-of-state forums or by other state laws;

- LB1063, introduced by Bostar, which modernizes the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act to exclude influence from foreign adversaries and regulates informal transfer systems;
- LB1118, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Carolyn Bosn, which updates the state's Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act to treat certain conduct by social media platforms that accept paid advertising as a deceptive trade practice;
- LB1119, also introduced by Bosn, which updates the Age-Appropriate Online Design Code Act passed by lawmakers last year;
- LB1160, sponsored by Hallstrom, which modernizes Nebraska's estate and trust laws by synchronizing the Uniform Probate Code with the Uniform Trust Code and strengthening the rights of surviving families; and
- LB1174, introduced by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth, which imposes a 25% excise tax on a remittance transfer using cash, money order or cashier's check by a licensee or authorized delegate to a resident of a foreign adversary country as determined by the federal government. The tax will not apply to remittance transfers to or from U.S. active-duty service members or their dependents, or remittances sent to Cuba or Venezuela.



Sen. Carolyn Bosn



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

LB838 passed on a 46-3 vote and took effect immediately.

A measure that would have required "large frontier" AI developers and large chatbot providers to create and publicly post plans describing how they assess and attempt to reduce "catastrophic" risks to the public and to children specifically was heard by the committee.

LB1083, introduced by Whitman Sen. Tanya Storer, was advanced to general file but was not scheduled for debate.



Sen. Tanya Storer

Housing

LB768, sponsored by Sen. Robert Dover of Norfolk and passed 49-0, makes a number of changes to the powers of the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act and the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act.

The bill authorizes NIFA to establish and own nonprofit subsidiaries that further housing goals. NIFA will not be responsible for the debts, liabilities and obligations of any nonprofit subsidiary it creates.

LB768 also dissolves the Housing Authority Committee and grants the state Department of Economic Development the power to contract with statewide nonprofits to serve as agents for workforce and middle income housing programs. Among other provisions, the bill also:

- shortens the NIFA grant and loan application period from 90 to 60 days;
- allows funds held in any escrow account to be recaptured by DED; and
- provides that a building constructed or repaired using state grant funds will not be subject to state energy code compliance and mandatory plan reviews if it will not be owned or managed by the state.

The measure includes provisions of LB1246, also introduced by Dover.

Those provisions require NIFA to record all instances of revenue, fund balance and expenditure within a formal accounting system and submit, at least 20 days before the start of each legislative session, a report on the condition of all public funds for grants or loan programs involving public funds pursuant to an agreement with a state agency.

NIFA also is required to provide monthly accountings of all such transactions and detailed annual reports, beginning July 1, 2027.

Finally, the bill includes provisions of Hallstrom's LB819, which extend sunset dates for the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act and the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act to July 1, 2032.

The provisions also change definitions in the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act to include construction cost in determining a property's value, and increase the construction cap on owner-occupied housing units under the Rural Workforce Housing Program from no more than \$325,000 to \$375,000 and on rental units from no more than \$250,000 to \$300,000.



Sen. Robert Dover

Other measures

A bill intended to increase licensure access to those seeking to become certified public accountants received final approval this session.

Currently, to sit for the CPA exam in Nebraska, one must have completed 150 semester-hours of postsecond-

ary academic credit, earned a bachelor's degree or higher from an accredited college or university and demonstrated professional competency.

LB718, sponsored by Jacobson and passed 48-0, instead creates three distinct licensure pathways in the state:

- a master's degree plus one year of experience;
- a bachelor's degree plus 30 additional credit hours and one year of experience; or
- a bachelor's degree plus two years of professional experience.

The measure also clarifies that passing the exam is not the same as being credentialed as a CPA, aligns Nebraska law with the Uniform Accountancy Act and clarifies that administrative lapses are not considered ethical violations for disciplinary purposes.

Lawmakers also passed a bill that requires Nebraska insurers to cover treatments for two related pediatric autoimmune disorders that manifest as mental health and behavioral disorders.

LB762, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. George Dungan, requires coverage of treatment for pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome (PANS) and pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorder associated with streptococcal infections (PANDAS), a subset of PANS.

Required PANS/PANDAS treatments must be recommended by the patient's licensed physician and include, but are not limited to, antibiotics, medication and behavioral therapies to manage neuropsychiatric symptoms, plasma exchange and immunoglobulin.

LB762 passed on a 45-4 vote and takes effect Jan. 1, 2027.

A program aimed at benefitting Nebraska's small businesses is required to award a minimum dollar amount of grant funds under a bill passed this session.

Currently, the state Department of Economic Development has the option to distribute up to \$3 million in grants



Sen. George Dungan



Sen. Stan Clouse

annually through the Microenterprise Assistance Program under the Business Innovation Act. LB1205, introduced by Sen. Stan Clouse of Kearney, requires DED to do so beginning in fiscal year 2027-28.

LB1205 passed on a 49-0 vote.

LB717, introduced by Jacobson at the request of the Nebraska Department of Banking and Finance, is the department's annual administrative update. Among other technical changes, the bill harmonizes state law with federal law and preserves the "wild card" powers of state banks, credit unions and savings associations.

The measure also provides a number of consumer protections, such as requiring a "net tangible benefit" analysis for borrowers financing installment or mortgage loans and authorizing the emergency closure of financial institutions in the event of a cybersecurity breach.

In addition, LB717 expands the definition of financial institutions to include credit unions under the Nebraska Financial Innovation Act, broadens the scope of controllable electronic record kiosks and updates lending limits by increasing the usury rate exemption cap from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

The bill also provides an exemption from the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act for payroll processors that have fewer than 25 full-time employees and provide services to fewer than 50 clients who reside in Nebraska.

LB717 passed on a vote of 48-0.

Finally, a proposal advanced by the committee to general file was later amended into a bill out of the Business and Labor Committee.

LB1044, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Jason Prokop, appropriates \$15 million in fiscal year 2026-27 from the Business Innovation Cash Fund for grants under the Business Innovation Act and requires that at least \$4 million in grants be awarded annually.



Sen. Jason Prokop

The measure was amended into LB847, an omnibus workforce package, to which lawmakers gave final approval. ■

BUSINESS & LABOR



Sen. Kathleen Kauth, chairperson of the Business and Labor Committee

Lawmakers considered several proposals this session relating to the state's minimum wage, workers' compensation provisions and workforce development.

Wages and benefits

A measure that limits scheduled increases to the state's minimum wage and establishes youth and training wages was approved by lawmakers this session.

Nebraskans voted at the November 2022 general election to increase the state minimum wage incrementally to \$15 an hour by Jan. 1, 2026. The minimum wage then was scheduled to adjust annually based on the Midwest Consumer Price Index to account for cost-of-living increases.

LB258, introduced last session by Sen. Jane Raybould of Lincoln, instead increases the state minimum wage by 1.75% annually.

The bill also establishes a youth minimum wage of \$13.50 an hour for



Sen. Jane Raybould

employees ages 14 and 15, and adjusts the 90-day training wage for new employees under age 20 to \$13.50 an hour through Dec. 1, 2026. The training wage then increases by 1.5% annually.

The youth minimum wage, which does not apply to emancipated youth, also will increase by 1.5% every fifth year beginning Jan. 1, 2030.

LB258 passed on a 33-16 vote.

Lawmakers also approved a bill that makes certain workers' compensation first injury report information confidential.

Currently, employers or insurers are required to file a first injury report with the Workers' Compensation Court for any injury resulting in death, lost time, loss of consciousness or medical treatment beyond first aid. Such reports are considered public records and can be accessed through a public records request.

LB455, introduced by Syracuse Sen. Bob Hallstrom last session, requires that an employee's identifying information included in such reports remain confidential for 60 days after filing, except as necessary to administer and enforce other provisions of the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act.



Sen. Bob Hallstrom

An injured employee may waive confidentiality. Access to the confidential report otherwise is restricted to the involved parties and their legal counsel, insurers and treating physicians, state and federal agencies for investigations or statistical research and nonprofit organizations that provide services to families of deceased employees.

The Workers' Compensation Court is required to send a letter to an injured employee notifying them of their right to seek legal advice or representation once a report is filed.

The measure also includes provisions of Plymouth Sen. Tom Brandt's LB1077.

Those provisions update how workers' compensation claims data is reported to the National Council on Compensation Insurance for purposes of calculating the experience modification factors used to set a business's insurance premium, which is based on its workers' compensation claim history compared to the industry average.

Beginning Jan. 1, 2027, Nebraska businesses may use a net reporting system rather than a gross reporting system to allow for the exclusion of deductible payments in the determination of their experience modification factor.

LB455 passed on a 37-12 vote.

A measure that would have provided workers' compen-



Sen. Tom Brandt

sation benefits to certain firefighters who develop some cancers stalled after a failed cloture vote on general file.

LB400, sponsored by Fremont Sen. Dave Wordekemper, would have amended the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act to include cancer experienced by firefighters as a result of on-the-job exposure to known carcinogens.

As introduced last session, the bill would have established a rebuttable presumption that cancer experienced by a firefighter arose out of the course of employment.

The measure would have applied to professional and volunteer firefighters who have served for at least five years. Retired firefighters would have needed to be diagnosed within 60 months of retiring and would have been eligible for medical benefits only.

During first-round debate, lawmakers adopted an amendment offered by Kearney Sen. Stan Clouse that was meant to address concerns about the inclusion of coverage for volunteer firefighters.

Under the amendment, a volunteer firefighter would have been eligible for benefits only after serving for 10 years, during which time they must have actively participated in a minimum of 40% of the department's drills and 25% of emergency calls received.

After eight hours of debate spanning several days, Wordekemper offered a motion to invoke cloture, which ends debate and forces a vote on the bill and any pending amendments. The motion failed on a 32-15 vote. Thirty-three votes were needed.

Workforce development

Senators passed two omnibus measures that update a variety of labor and workforce programs.

LB847, sponsored by Sen. Kathleen Kauth of Omaha, creates the Nebraska Office of Registered Apprenticeship within the state Department of Labor to serve as the state apprenticeship registry. The bill also creates the Nebraska Apprenticeship Council to advise the office and provide community outreach and education regarding the benefits of apprenticeship.

In addition, the measure increases from 20% to 50% the amount of the unemployment combined tax rate that can be transferred to the Workforce Development Program Cash Fund to invest in workforce development initiatives.

LB847 includes provisions of five other bills:

- LB747, introduced by Elkhorn Sen. Tony Sorrentino, which establishes uniform enforcement au-



Sen. Dave Wordekemper

thority across multiple programs managed by DOL, including changing youth employment certification procedures, removing an infraction for failure to provide a wage statement and expanding the department's subpoena powers;



Sen. Tony Sorrentino



Sen. Jason Prokop

- LB864, sponsored by Sen. Jason Prokop of Lincoln, which transfers responsibility for awarding and disbursing grants under the InternNE program from the state Department of Economic Development to DOL;
- LB1015, introduced by Sumner

Sen. Teresa Ibach, which creates the Business Innovation Cash Fund within DOL and establishes a mechanism to provide funding for the Business Innovation Act from a percentage of State Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund dollars, as designated by the commissioner of labor;



Sen. Teresa Ibach

- LB1044, sponsored by Prokop, which appropriates \$15 million in fiscal year 2026-27 from the Business Innovation Cash Fund for grants under the Business Innovation Act and requires that at least \$4 million in grants be awarded annually; and
- LB1173, introduced by Kauth, which changes the name, filing fee and permitted uses of the Contractor and Professional Employer Organization Registration Cash Fund and allows DOL to assess fees annually on all employers under the Employment Security Act on a graduated scale based on gross wages paid out in the previous year, not to exceed a total of \$15 million.

The measure passed on a vote of 44-4 and took effect immediately.

LB921, sponsored by Ibach, requires businesses that experience a closure or a mass layoff event lasting longer than six months to notify employees and DOL at least 90 days in advance of such event, if it will affect 100 or more full-time employees.

It also amends the Non-English-Speaking Workers Protection Act to require businesses to provide an interpreter and referral agent if 5% of their staff speaks the same non-English language. Referral agents are required to develop and maintain a list of community services and

assist employees in attempting to obtain those services.

LB921 includes provisions of the following bills:

- LB308, introduced last session by Ibach, which requires DOL to create and maintain a registry of health care staffing agencies operating in Nebraska;
- LB544, introduced by Norfolk Sen. Robert Dover last session, which requires individuals receiving unemployment benefits to respond to an interview request or a job offer for suitable employment within one week or lose a week of benefits;



Sen. Eliot Bostar

- LB813, introduced by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln, which classifies individuals who perform work at a physical business location operated by a marketplace network platform, such as DoorDash, as an independent contractor if such physical business is located in a metropolitan or primary class city; and
- LB1170, introduced by Wordekemper, which allows a county to file more than one state claim for a single correctional institution incident if the threshold amount is met for each claim, and expands the definition of what constitutes a qualifying death for purposes of the Line of Duty Compensation Act.

The bill passed on a 37-12 vote.



Sen. Robert Dover

Other measures

Lawmakers approved a bill that seeks to combat human trafficking at Nebraska hotels and motels.

LB320, introduced last session by Sen. Rita Sanders of Bellevue, adds hotels and other lodging establishments to the list of public spaces required to display posters that include the Nebraska human trafficking hotline number and other information.



Sen. Rita Sanders

The bill also allows for optional training for employees on human trafficking issues specific to the lodging industry, which may be developed and provided through collaboration between the state attorney general, DOL and lodging establishments.

An owner, operator or employee of a hotel or similar public lodging establishment who implements the training and other policies will not be liable for any act or omission related to human trafficking committed by a third party at the establishment, unless they knowingly assist such action or fail to act in a reasonable manner.

LB320 passed 46-1.

A measure that eliminates an unfunded state program related to workplace safety for private employers also passed this session.

LB397, introduced by Columbus Sen. Mike Moser last session, repeals the Workplace Safety Consultation Program, which authorized DOL to conduct workplace inspections and consultations to determine whether employers are complying with standards issued by the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration. It also removes the requirement for private sector employees to maintain a workplace safety committee.



Sen. Mike Moser

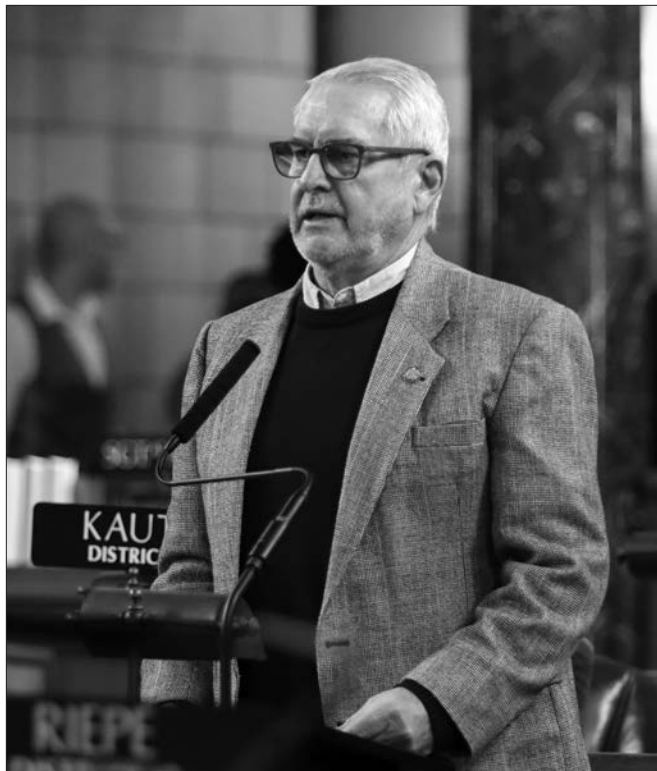
Public sector employers subject to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act still must establish workplace safety committees to allow oversight for employees not covered by OSHA. Public sector employers subject to collective bargaining agreements may establish safety committees through the collective bargaining process.

LB397 passed on a 35-13 vote.

Finally, a proposal heard by the Business and Labor Committee to update definitions, increase construction caps and extend the sunset dates of two workforce housing programs was advanced to general file.

LB819, sponsored by Sen. Bob Hallstrom of Syracuse, then was amended into LB768, an affordable housing measure out of the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee that lawmakers approved this session. ■

EDUCATION



Sen. Dave Murman, chairperson of the Education Committee

The Education Committee considered a wide range of topics this session, including student interventions, school meal funding and teacher certification policies.

Student interventions

Lawmakers approved a measure restoring the ability of Nebraska schools to suspend pre-K through second-grade students in certain cases.

LB653, introduced last session by Glenvil Sen. Dave Murman, requires option school districts that are not in a learning community to automatically accept siblings of currently enrolled option students with individualized education programs without regard to capacity limitations.

The bill also includes provisions of Murman's LB430, which partially repeals a 2023 law banning the suspension or expulsion of pre-K through second-grade students by creating an exception for those who engage in violent behavior that causes or is likely to cause physical harm.

Schools must provide parents oral and written notice

when a child is suspended, including available resources, steps taken to address the behavior and strategies to keep the student in school. Schools also must make reasonable efforts to hold a follow-up meeting with a parent or guardian.

LB653 passed on a vote of 33-15.

A separate proposal aimed at strengthening support for young Nebraska students who struggle with reading failed to advance from the second round of debate.

LB1050, introduced by Murman at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, would have expanded requirements under the Reading Improvement Act, including requiring schools, beginning in the 2027-28 school year, to administer dyslexia screening and conduct reading assessments three times annually for K-3 students.

Students identified with a persistent reading deficiency by the end of third grade would have been subject to retention beginning in the 2028-29 school year and provided intensive support, including targeted reading interventions and other diagnostic assessments. Parents would have been able to request a meeting to discuss retention decisions and to make the final determination in cases of disagreement.

Retention would have been limited to one occurrence per student, with exemptions for students with disabilities, those already receiving interventions and English language learners with fewer than two years of English instruction.

After four hours of select file debate, Murman offered a motion to invoke cloture, which ceases debate and forces a vote on the bill. The motion failed on a vote of 31-4. Thirty-three votes were needed.

Funding measures

Students who qualify for reduced-price meals may be able to receive them at no cost under a bill passed this session.

LB966, sponsored by Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh of Omaha and passed 38-11, creates the Hunger-Free Schools Pilot Program, which will run through the 2031-32 school year.

Under the bill, the state Department of Education must reimburse participating schools for the gap between federal free and reduced-price meal rates, allowing eligible low-income students to receive meals at no cost. Schools must apply for the pilot program and report meals served.

Private donations will cover costs for public schools, while state General Funds will reimburse private schools. The department will study the program's impact on student performance and behavior and report findings to the



Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh

Legislature by Dec. 1, 2032.

LB748, introduced by Elkhorn Sen. Tony Sorrentino and passed 46-3, expands eligible uses of Nebraska education savings plan trust accounts.

Under the bill, families may use NEST accounts for education-related expenses beyond K-12 and postsecondary tuition, including books, tutoring and online instructional materials, beginning Jan. 1, 2029.

The measure also increases the annual withdrawal cap from \$10,000 to \$20,000 and expands eligible uses to qualified postsecondary credentialing programs, such as career and technical certifications, in line with current federal law.

Additionally, LB748 permits the Nebraska State Treasurer's Office to enter agreements with recognized postsecondary credentialing programs, excluding those related to investment of program funds, and to make payments directly to those programs on behalf of beneficiaries.



Sen. Tony Sorrentino

Omnibus bill

LB937, introduced by the Education Committee, makes a number of changes related to teacher policies and student protections.

The measure aligns state law with current educational practices and ensures teachers eligible to teach dual enrollment courses qualify for the Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act high-need grant.

It also expands option enrollment reports to include approved applications, removes obsolete language related to solar and wind energy funding, aligns the College Pathway Program Act with state procurement processes and sets an Oct. 15 deadline for property tax authority requests and annual census reports.

The bill includes provisions of five other measures considered this session.

Under LB1146, sponsored by Sen. Danielle Conrad of Lincoln, absences for physical or mental illness may be excused by a parent, guardian or educational decisionmaker if documentation from a credentialed health professional supports the absence for purposes of truancy enforcement or referral to a county attorney. For students with chronic illnesses, such documentation is subject to review each semester.



Sen. Danielle Conrad

LB1164, sponsored by Sen. Dan Lonowski of Hast-

ings, establishes statewide guidelines for awarding college credit for prior learning exams. The Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education must approve and publish a list of recognized exams and minimum passing scores by Sept. 1.

Provisions of LB1224, introduced by



Sen. Megan Hunt

Omaha Sen. Megan Hunt, bar individuals convicted of certain felonies from working with or monitoring students at unaccredited schools. The measure also prohibits a parent, guardian or educational decisionmaker who is the subject of an active child abuse or neglect investigation from transferring or disenrolling their student during the investigation.

The package includes provisions of LB1241, sponsored by Murman, which require applicants for school positions involving regular contact with students to disclose seven years of prior employment involving children. The measure authorizes the release of related records and requires reporting of past child abuse or sexual misconduct investigations, separations or license actions.

Murman's LB1243 prohibits school boards from requiring students to enroll in more than the minimum district credit hours set by a national or state organization in order to participate in extracurricular activities. It also limits to five or fewer the credit hour requirements for extracurricular activities not regulated by a national or state organization.

Finally, the package includes provisions from LB599, introduced last session by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, which adopt the K-12 Education Cybersecurity Act and designate the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council as the statewide coordinating entity for implementation.

The measure requires the state Department of Education to purchase or develop a standardized cybersecurity readiness assessment and develop a model cybersecurity policy and framework based on nationally recognized best practices.

The bill also authorizes use of Nebraska Education Improvement Fund dollars, including up to \$250,000 in state lottery funds, to support cybersecurity grants, products and services.

LB937 passed on a 49-0 vote.



Sen. Dan Lonowski



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

Other measures

Lawmakers also approved two bills modifying rules for school employee organizations and teacher certification.

LB429, introduced last session by Murman and passed 47-2, requires school boards to provide equal access to certified employees' mailboxes, meetings and events when access is granted to any qualified professional employees' organization.

The measure also requires equal treatment for signage and informational materials and prohibits naming school calendar days or breaks after such organizations. It does not alter the Industrial Relations Act or collective bargaining provisions.

LB1022, also introduced by Murman and passed 37-12, changes human relations training requirements for some educators. The bill provides an exemption to the requirement for military spouses, applicants who hold a certificate or permit from another state and those seeking a Nebraska substitute teacher certificate.

Senators also passed LB745, sponsored by Omaha Sen.

Margo Juarez and approved 49-0, which removes an age requirement for obtaining a general education development diploma. The bill allows individuals to receive a GED upon completing all requirements, regardless of their age.

Finally, a proposal that would have required Nebraska school boards and postsecondary institutions to address antisemitism in discrimination and harassment policies was passed over during second-round debate at the introducer's request.

LB538, introduced last session by Sen. Brian Hardin of Gering, would have required such policies to include antisemitism and to treat antisemitic harassment or discrimination in the same manner as discrimination based on race.

The measure was not scheduled for further consideration this session. ■



Sen. Margo Juarez



Sen. Brian Hardin

EXECUTIVE BOARD



Sen. Ben Hansen, chairperson of the Executive Board

The potential expulsion of a member of the Legislature and enhanced security considerations were the top issues addressed by the Executive Board this session.

The committee voted unanimously to advance a measure to expel Amherst Sen. Dan McKeon from the Legislature.

LR282, introduced by the Executive Board, cited a “pattern of behavior violating the Nebraska Legislature’s workplace policies on harassment and decorum” by McKeon, including an incident involving a legislative staffer at a work-related party in 2025.

The resolution also stated that McKeon violated the Legislature’s workplace harassment policy by engaging in retaliatory conduct against the complainant, and that he likely would not refrain from future violations of legislative policy.

McKeon announced his resignation from the Legislature in a brief floor speech just before a single round of debate on LR282 was scheduled to begin.

Security

Entering the Nebraska State Capitol with certain weapons and substances will be prohibited under a bill sponsored by the Executive Board and given final approval this session.

Under LB1237, the Nebraska State Patrol is charged with implementing procedures no later than Jan. 1, 2027, to provide for detection of weapons and controlled substances to prevent them from being brought into the Capitol.

Prohibited weapons include firearms and knives with blades over 3.5 inches in length that could be capable of producing death or serious bodily injury.

The bill provides exceptions for individuals who have received prior approval from the Nebraska State Patrol and allows possession of a weapon by law enforcement officers in the course of their official duties.

LB1237 also allows any individual holding a current, valid permit issued pursuant to the Concealed Handgun Permit Act and qualified law enforcement officers, including retired officers, to carry concealed handguns in the building.

Prohibited substances include explosives, incendiary or other combustible devices, hazardous materials and paint and spray paint.

The bill passed on a vote of 45-4.

Lawmakers also approved a measure allowing the use of campaign funds by candidates and officeholders for security purposes.

LB986, introduced by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln, adds security measures to the list of allowable expenditures of campaign funds under the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Act.

Under the bill, security personnel, hardware, software, electronic security equipment, installation, maintenance, monitoring and other reasonable physical and structural security measures and improvements are considered allowable expenditures.

The measure also requires disclosure of security-related campaign expenditures in campaign finance reports.

LB986 passed 41-8 and took effect immediately.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

Administration and oversight

LB1155, sponsored by Adams Sen. Myron Dorn, updates and clarifies legislative oversight changes enacted last session with passage of a bill that created the Legislative Oversight Committee.

Among other provisions, the measure modifies due dates for annual reports and authorizes secure remote access for audit purposes.

The bill also expands documentation requirements for room confinements longer than one hour to specify the duration of the confinement, facility staffing levels at the time and any incidents of self-harm or suicide committed by a juvenile while isolated.

The Division of Legislative Oversight is required to review collected data, assess room confinement use and prepare an annual report of findings to be delivered to the Legislature.



Sen. Myron Dorn

LB1155 passed on a 49-0 vote.

State law related to the compilation, printing and distribution of several official legislative documents also was updated this session.

LB1236, introduced by the Executive Board, consolidates those duties under the Office of the Clerk of the Legislature and authorizes the clerk to distribute session laws, the legislative journal and state statutes in print, electronic or both formats.

The bill also eliminates mandatory provision of certain documents in specific quantities, instead making them available for distribution upon request.

LB1236 passed on a 49-0 vote and took effect immediately. ■

GENERAL AFFAIRS



Sen. Rick Holdcroft, chairperson of the General Affairs Committee

Proposals to update lottery and gaming provisions, state liquor laws and medical cannabis regulations were among those considered by the General Affairs Committee this session.

Lawmakers passed a bill that makes a series of changes to the state's racetrack gaming industry and authorizes music bingo and progressive jackpots for certain organizations.

LB1001, sponsored by the General Affairs Committee, updates laws governing racetrack operations, wagering distribution, horse registration, simulcasting and problem gambling oversight.

Among other provisions, the bill:

- allows racetracks to petition the Nebraska Racing and Gaming Commission for waivers or modifications of minimum race requirements under specific circumstances;
- mandates timely registration of Nebraska-bred thoroughbreds and quarter horses;
- transfers oversight and funding of the Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling from the state Department of Revenue to the Nebraska Racing and

Gaming Commission;

- allows waivers of certain residency and foaling requirements; and
- allows 19-year-olds to participate in keno at licensed racetrack enclosures in an area separate from the casino gaming floor.

The measure includes provisions of three additional bills, including LB828, introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay, which broadens the definition of operator in laws governing gift enterprises and savings promotion raffles.



Sen. Barry DeKay

The provisions of LB1047, sponsored by Sen. Rick Holdcroft of Bellevue, expand the Nebraska Bingo Act to include music bingo, in which winning outcomes are based on song titles, musical artists or music genres.

The measure also increases the amount that can be charged for each bingo card from 25 cents to \$1, the maximum prize amount that a licensed organization may award from \$25 to \$50 per game and the number of special event bingo permits a qualifying nonprofit may obtain annually from two to four.

Provisions of Blair Sen. Ben Hansen's LB1120 allow a licensed organization to conduct a lottery or raffle game with a progressive jackpot or multiple drawing dates, such as the Queen of Hearts. Tickets to such games may be sold through a vending or dispensing device.



Sen. Ben Hansen

A licensee must register each lottery or raffle game with the state Department of Revenue and post the rules in a visible location where the game is conducted or tickets are sold. At least 50% of the gross proceeds from such games must be used for prizes.

LB1001 passed on a 45-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Also passed was LB60, introduced last session by Grand Island Sen. Dan Quick, which removes a current prohibition in state law on the sale of lottery tickets through vending or dispensing devices. The measure was approved on a 41-8 vote.



Sen. Dan Quick

Several provisions of state law governing liquor regulations and the implementation of medical cannabis were updated under LB1235, sponsored by the committee.

The bill reorganizes the structure and administration of the Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission and authorizes an annual \$12,500 salary for commission members.

Under the measure, the commission is authorized to establish a maximum fee of \$50,000 for license applications, registrations and renewals and require a finger-print based national criminal history background check for initial applicants.

The bill also creates the Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission Cash Fund to receive fees, gifts, grants and other revenue to support administration and enforcement.

The amended provisions of LB1085, introduced by Sen. Stan Clouse of Kearney, are included in the bill. Those provisions clarify the definition of a bottle club, expand existing criminal penalties to apply to the unlicensed



Sen. Stan Clouse

retail sale of alcoholic liquor and require the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission to consider if an applicant is delinquent in any federal, state or local taxes when determining licensure.

The bill also includes provisions of Norfolk Sen. Robert Dover's LB1128, which create a consumption-only option under state entertainment district licensure, allowing local governing bodies to designate areas within an entertainment district where alcohol can be consumed, but not sold, for a \$25 license fee.



Sen. Robert Dover

LB1235 passed on a vote of 46-2 and took effect immediately. ■

GOVERNMENT, MILITARY & VETERANS AFFAIRS



Sen. Rita Sanders, chairperson of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee

The Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee addressed a wide range of issues this session, including updates to election laws, changes to several boards and commissions and requirements for open meetings, legal notices and the Nebraska Hall of Fame.

Government transparency

LB596, introduced last session by Sen. Rita Sanders of Bellevue, authorizes digital news publication of legal notices as an alternative to print newspapers, if a digital news publication does not also have a print version. It also clarifies definitions of digital newspapers and electronic editions of print newspapers for purposes of legal notices.

The measure includes provisions from the following seven measures dealing with open meeting requirements and public records:

- LB739, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Victor Rountree, which changes the county newspaper public notice requirement for a legal name change from four consecutive weeks to two;



Sen. Victor Rountree



Sen. Barry DeKay

- LB869, introduced by Sen. Barry DeKay of Niobrara, which requires that the state treasurer's annual unclaimed property list include information on how to search for unclaimed property and be published in each legal newspaper of general circulation in every county;

- LB896, sponsored by Hastings Sen. Dan Lonowski, which increases the marriage license fee from \$25 to \$50 and the cost of certified copies issued by county clerks from \$9 to \$16;
- LB898, introduced by Lonowski, which adds three additional public bodies to the list of those authorized to hold virtual meetings: the Semiquincentennial Commission, the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Historical Society and local foster care review boards;
- LB919, sponsored by Sanders, which updates four sections of state law governing the preservation of certain public records to allow the use of media other than microfilm or microfiche;



Sen. Dan Lonowski

- LB923, introduced by Sen. Stan Clouse of Kearney, which contains a number of cleanup provisions related to the duties of county clerks; and
- LB1145, sponsored by Lonowski, which requires public bodies subject to open meetings requirements to provide reasonable advance notice by a method designated by the public body and recorded in its minutes.



Sen. Stan Clouse

Finally, the bill includes provisions of Lonowski's LB1159, introduced at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, which require that the Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission name one living inductee before Jan. 1, 2027. The inductee must have a demonstrated record of achievement in public service, leadership in collegiate athletics and volunteer youth mentorship activities.

The measure also eliminates the requirement that an

individual have been dead for at least 35 years before being eligible for induction into the Nebraska Hall of Fame.

LB596 passed on a 46-3 vote.

The committee considered a measure that would have required a copy of any sole source, emergency contract be provided to the Auditor of Public Accounts within three business days of contract approval.



Sen. Bob Andersen

LB997, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Bob Andersen, advanced to general file but was not scheduled for debate.

Elections

LB1075, sponsored by Sanders, is the annual elections cleanup bill, which makes a number of changes to laws relating to election provisions requested by the Nebraska secretary of state.

Among other provisions, the bill sets the cost of a recount at \$100 per precinct voting in the contest, authorizes village clerks to prepare claims and issue warrants and prohibits petition circulation within 25 feet of a secure ballot drop box.

The measure includes provisions of five additional bills containing election law provisions:

- LB884, introduced by Andersen, which requires midday delivery of ballots directly to a centralized location, prohibiting any other stops, and changes rules regarding observation by poll watchers;
- LB927, also sponsored by Andersen, which prohibits the direct or indirect involvement of foreign nationals in funding and organizing ballot question committees in Nebraska;
- LB969, introduced by Sen. Bob Hallstrom of Syracuse, which creates a database of county and municipal financial information within the state Department of Administrative Services;



Sen. Bob Hallstrom



Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh

- LB1002, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh, which increases filing, application and noncompliance fees under the Political Accountability and Disclosure Act; and
- LB1074, introduced by Sanders, which revises unclaimed property statutes to clarify timelines, provide

a tolling period in certain cases and create the Unclaimed Property Liquidation Proceeds Trust Fund. LB1075 passed on a 49-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Boards and commissions

A bill that sets new requirements for county boards and commissions when considering a conditional use permit or special exception for livestock siting received final approval.

Introduced by Whitman Sen. Tanya Storer last session, LB663 makes a number of changes to the application process for such permits. Among other provisions, the bill:



Sen. Tanya Storer

- sets an educational requirement of two hours per term for certain county officials on matters relevant to the bill's provisions;
- requires county officials to base conditional use permit decisions solely on county zoning regulations;
- adds county zoning administrators to the application review process;
- prohibits requiring a federal, state or other local permit when deciding on a conditional use permit; and
- sets a timeline for county commissions to follow when processing an application.

County officials will have 30 days to determine if an application is complete and 10 days to relay that information to the applicant. Once an application is deemed complete, counties will have 90 days to approve or deny the application. If a county fails to act within the 90-day timeline, an application automatically will be deemed approved.

LB663 passed on a 43-5 vote.

Lawmakers also approved creation of a commission intended to foster trade relations between Nebraska and the Republic of Ireland.

LB1087, sponsored by Sen. John Arch of La Vista, creates the 10-member Nebraska-Ireland Commission to be housed within the state Department of Economic Development for administrative purposes.



Sen. John Arch

Membership will consist of one member of the Legislature from each of the state's three congressional districts, in addition to the heads of DED and the state Department of Agriculture or their designees and five members appointed by the governor.

Commission members will not be paid but may be reimbursed for expenses.

The bill also creates the Nebraska-Ireland Commission Fund, which may receive grants and federal or state funds to help defray administrative costs. The commission will report to the Legislature annually.

LB1087 passed on a 49-0 vote.

LB787, introduced by Sanders and passed 49-0, updates the ex officio membership of the Commission on Military and Veteran Affairs. The bill allows the state Department of Economic Development and the director of Veterans' Affairs to specify a designee to serve in their place.

It also adds as members the commanders of the 95th Wing, 90th Missile Wing, Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency, U.S. Department of Defense Nebraska service secretary and any wing or headquarters positioned or established in Nebraska in the future.

Finally, LB787 eliminates an annual reporting requirement and instead makes the commission's report due upon request of the governor or when the commission deems drafting of an updated version appropriate.

A cleanup measure that clarifies the elimination or consolidation of several state boards and commissions and accompanying cash funds also passed this session.

LB905, sponsored by Arch, corrects some aspects of a bill passed last year that eliminated nearly 40 state boards, councils and commissions. It also eliminates 39 inactive cash funds and transfers their balances into the state General Fund.

Among other provisions, the measure transfers the duties of three eliminated boards as follows:

- Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling to the Board of Mental Health Practice;
- Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee and Bridge to Independence Advisory Committee to the Nebraska Children's Commission; and
- Board of Examiners of County Highway and City Street Superintendents to the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards.

LB905 passed on a 49-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Other measures

A proposed constitutional amendment that would have required the Nebraska Legislature to provide full reimbursement to political subdivisions for any new program

or expansion of an existing program stalled on general file.

LR18CA, introduced by the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, would have required, beginning in 2026, that the state pay the full costs of new programs, or increased levels of service required under an existing program, either through general fund appropriations or an increase in state distribution of revenue to the impacted political subdivision.

If approved by lawmakers, the proposal would have been placed on the ballot for voter approval in the 2026 general election.

LR18CA failed to advance to select file on a 23-20 vote. Twenty-five votes were needed.

LB786, a proposal from Sanders to direct some of the proceeds from Military Honor License Plates to a new Military Department Aid Fund, advanced from committee and later was amended into LB972, a Transportation and Telecommunications Committee omnibus bill, which passed this session.

The amended provisions of LB1058, introduced by Hallstrom, direct the Nebraska Tourism Commission to make a \$150,000 grant from the State Visitors Promotion Cash Fund to an organization promoting tourism that is located along the Missouri River and within five miles of a first class city.

The proposal was advanced by the committee and amended into LB1071, the mainline budget bill.

Two proposals considered by the committee were advanced to general file but not scheduled for debate this session.

Under LB1019, sponsored by Sen. Myron Dorn of Adams, no county assessor could be prosecuted for trespass while performing his or her official duties unless they enter an enclosed building without the express permission of the property owner or occupant.



Sen. Myron Dorn



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

LB730, introduced by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth, would have required state agencies, public schools and public postsecondary educational institutions to designate restrooms and locker rooms based on sex as defined in the bill and prohibit use by the opposite sex. ■

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES



Sen. Brian Hardin, chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee

Proposals impacting the state's Medicaid program, health care licensure and child care subsidy eligibility were among those considered by the Health and Human Services Committee this session.

Medicaid

Lawmakers approved a measure that makes a number of changes to state Medicaid provision.

LB958, introduced by Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh of Omaha, requires that the assessment tool used by the state Department of Health and Human Services to determine functional eligibility, service needs and service tier assignments for Medicaid waiver participants be administered by an employee or contractor trained in clinical inter-



Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh

viewing techniques.

Among other provisions, the measure requires that services authorized under a waiver must be based on individualized assessments of medical necessity, functional need and health and safety requirements as determined through a person-centered planning process in accordance with federal home and community based services waiver regulations.

If an assessment results in a reduction of a waiver participant's service tier, authorized service hours or service provision, the department is required to conduct an immediate supervisory review of the assessment and determination prior to final implementation of the reduction.

The bill also includes provisions of four additional bills:

- LB701, introduced last session by Omaha Sen. Ashlei Spivey, which requires DHHS to reimburse Medicaid providers for trained doula services by Jan. 1, 2029, and establishes a group of stakeholders and experts to develop an implementation plan by Jan. 1, 2027;



Sen. Ashlei Spivey



Sen. George Dungan

- LB773, sponsored by Sen. George Dungan of Lincoln, which expands the state's Prenatal Plus Program to include a minimum of two breastfeeding support sessions, eliminates the program's scheduled sunset date and extends reporting requirements to 2034;
- LB777, introduced by Cavanaugh, which requires DHHS to provide the maximum amount of retroactive coverage for each Medicaid eligibility category authorized by federal law under the One Big Beautiful Bill Act of 2025, and requires the department to include information on work requirements, concurrent enrollment and cost sharing in the Medicaid and Long-Term Care annual report; and
- LB1033, sponsored by Spivey, which raises the maximum crisis assistant payment by DHHS under the federal low-income home energy assistance program from \$500 to \$800 per program year, while allowing higher payments in extenuating circumstances.

LB958 passed on a 48-1 vote and took effect immediately.

LB1091, introduced by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln and passed 49-0, requires DHHS to provide a carve-out from Nebraska's Medicaid managed care program for services and supports



Sen. Eliot Bostar

for long-term care clients with special needs.

Under the bill, those services instead must be administered and reimbursed through a Medicaid fee-for-service or other delivery system authorized under state or federal law. The measure also prohibits a skilled nursing facility from being required to enroll in an MCO as a condition of eligibility to provide such services.

The bill requires DHHS to amend Medicaid managed care contracts, including revisions to enrollment processes, no later than six months after the bill's effective date.

Managed care organizations would have been authorized to cover out-of-pocket expenses for Nebraska Medicaid enrollees under a bill vetoed by Gov. Jim Pillen.

LB929, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson, would have allowed Medicaid managed care organizations to cover deductibles, co-insurance, co-payments or similar cost-sharing charges on behalf of Medicaid enrollees to the extent allowed under federal law.



Sen. John Fredrickson

The bill passed on a 31-18 vote.

In his veto letter, the governor said that while the bill would not require managed care organizations to cover cost sharing, it would encourage Medicaid enrollees to "overuse the system without consequence" and create an expectation that public benefits are "handouts."

An attempt to override the veto failed on a vote of 22-26. Thirty votes were needed.

Licensure

LB912, introduced by Sen. Brian Hardin of Gering, requires DHHS to establish a statewide process to endorse community health worker training programs that meet minimum quality standards and ensure services provided by community health workers are eligible for reimbursement by Medicaid and private insurers.

The bill includes provisions of 11 other measures considered by the committee this session:

- LB735, sponsored by Bellevue Sen. Victor Rountree, which adopts the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact;



Sen. Barry DeKay

- LB736, also sponsored by Rountree, which adopts the Athletic Trainer Compact;
- LB796, introduced by Sen. Barry DeKay of Niobrara,



Sen. Victor Rountree

which clarifies engagement in the practice of pharmacy in Nebraska;

- LB825, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Beau Ballard, which requires practitioners licensed under the Mental Health Practice Act to complete a minimum of two hours of continuing education in domestic abuse counseling every two years;



Sen. Beau Ballard



Sen. Bob Hallstrom

- LB887, introduced by Sen. Bob Hallstrom of Syracuse, which allows accredited pharmacy programs to determine the date and time of the jurisprudence examination for pharmacy students and clarifies that certified pharmacy

technician requirements do not apply to interns under the supervision of a pharmacist;

- LB891, sponsored by Blair Sen. Ben Hansen, which updates the Child Care Licensing Act to align state law with federal background check regulations, clarifies how self-reported licensing investigations appear on public records, allows certain volunteers to be counted toward staff-to-child ratios and prohibits residency requirements for family child care homes;



Sen. Ben Hansen

- LB892, also sponsored by Hansen, which prohibits a massage therapist from practicing in a location other than a licensed massage therapy establishment, except as permitted by DHHS;
- LB914, introduced by Hardin, which repeals a state law that held physicians or physician groups liable for negligent acts or omissions by physician assistants acting under their supervision;
- LB936, sponsored by Ballard, which allows a licensed nurse practitioner who has completed the necessary education and training to perform fluoroscopy and allows a licensed medical radiographer to use fluoroscopy in collaboration with a qualified nurse practitioner;
- LB1012, introduced by Hansen, which allows a physical therapist to file a medical lien for damages awarded to an injured patient; and
- LB1211, sponsored by Sen. Merv Riepe of Ralston, which updates the Automated Medications Systems

Act to allow licensed pharmacies to operate automated pickup kiosks that securely store and dispense prescription medications to patients and caregivers, beginning May 1, 2027.

LB912 passed on a 49-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Senators also approved a bill that creates a temporary event license for body artists visiting Nebraska from other states.

LB720, sponsored by Sen. Dan Quick of Grand Island, requires DHHS to create a temporary, nonrenewable event license for body artists licensed in other states to practice for no more than seven consecutive days at a Nebraska licensed body art facility.

The department also is authorized to conduct in-person inspections of the body art facility where an event will occur. A temporary event license will cost \$50 and a body artist may obtain up to two temporary event licenses in a 12-month period.

LB720 passed on a vote of 46-0 and took effect immediately.

Internationally trained physicians will have an alternative licensure pathway to practice medicine in Nebraska under a bill approved this session.

LB1212, introduced by Riepe and passed 49-0, allows DHHS, with the approval of the Board of Medicine and Surgery, to issue a maximum three-year provisional license to a qualified internationally trained physician who enters into an agreement for full-time employment with a participating Nebraska health care entity, beginning Aug. 1, 2027.

The agreement requires a participating health care entity to conduct an initial formative needs assessment, develop an individualized learning and supervision plan and evaluate the physician's familiarity with the standards appropriate for medical practice.

After successfully practicing under a provisional license, an internationally trained physician may apply for a transitional license for another three years. A holder of a transitional license may practice only in a designated health profession shortage area.

An internationally trained physician may apply for an unrestricted license to practice medicine in Nebraska after practicing for at least six years under provisional and transitional licensure with satisfactory assessment and evaluation.

LB1212 also includes provisions of Hastings Sen. Dan



Sen. Merv Riepe



Sen. Dan Quick

Lonowski's LB899, which eliminates an exemption related to the practice of architecture by non-residents, updates language regarding use of a licensee's seal and eliminates a requirement that a qualified candidate obtain approval from the Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects to be eligible for the professional engineering examination.



Sen. Dan Lonowski

Children and families

The state's Child Care Subsidy program provides a subsidy directly to providers to cover a portion of child care expenses for low-income Nebraska families. Income eligibility guidelines were expanded in 2021 from 130% of the federal poverty level to 185%. That expansion was scheduled to expire Oct. 1.

LB304, introduced last session by Sen. Wendy DeBoer of Bennington, removes the sunset date and instead makes the current income eligibility level permanent. The bill states legislative intent that the Health Care Cash Fund be used to pay the state's cost to implement the measure.

The bill passed on a vote of 43-6.

LB903, sponsored by Whitman Sen. Tanya Storer and passed 47-0, allows child welfare case managers to refer at-risk families with children under age two to home visiting services under the Family Home Visitation Act. It also allows case managers to refer at-risk families with children age three or younger to early intervention services.

The measure includes provisions of Sen. Jane Raybould of Lincoln's LB792, which repeals a section of state law specifying that the Family Home Visitation Act does not apply to a program that provides a single home visit or infrequent visits.

A measure that would have required Nebraska school districts to develop a cardiac emergency response plan stalled this session.

LB463, introduced by Ballard last year, would have required districts to create a cardiac emergency response plan template and provide plan grants from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer



Sen. Tanya Storer



Sen. Jane Raybould

Lawmakers advanced the proposal to the second round of consideration on a 25-15 vote, but the bill was not scheduled for further debate.

Programs and services

LB867, sponsored by the Health and Human Services Committee, updates several programs administered by DHHS. Among other provisions, the measure clarifies eligibility for the Bridge to Independence Program and prohibits transfer penalties for individuals who establish or fund an individual account in a pooled special needs trust in compliance with federal law.

The bill included provisions of Hardin's LB1143, which require DHHS to submit an application to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, no later than Dec. 31, to establish a Money Follows the Person Program to assist qualifying individuals in transitioning from an institutional setting to a community setting while continuing to receive long-term care.

The measure also prohibits the average weighted Medicaid nursing facility daily rate from falling below the average weighted daily rate as of Jan. 1, 2026, unless directed by the Legislature or during a state of emergency proclaimed by the governor.

LB867 also includes provisions of six additional bills:

- LB603, introduced by Ballard last year, which removes a requirement for care management clients to pay a fee for service and allows DHHS to reimburse Area Agencies on Aging for any costs not paid by clients;
- LB733, sponsored by Riepe, which renames the Division of Developmental Disabilities to the Division of Disability and Aging;
- LB845, introduced by the committee, which combines the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Advisory Council with the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care Advisory Committee on Aging to create a new 14-member Aging, Alzheimer's and Dementia Advisory Council, and changes the name of the State Advisory Mental Health Committee to the State Advisory Mental Health and Substance Use Committee;
- LB959, sponsored by Riepe, which requires DHHS to create a youth afterschool eligibility letter for individuals age 16 and 17 who are seeking employment in school-age or temporary nonresidential child care programs;
- LB1144, introduced by Hardin, which expands the definition of a Medicaid health plan to establish application, submission and denial proceedings

and to include service benefit plans, managed care organizations, pharmacy benefit managers and any party responsible for claims payment for a health care item or service; and

- LB1217, also introduced by Hardin, which allows any Nebraska accredited or approved public, private, denominational or parochial school to maintain FDA-approved epinephrine on campus to provide first aid to students who experience an allergic reaction.

LB867 passed on a vote of 49-0 and took effect immediately.

The state's Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive program provides one-time startup grants of \$100,000 for child care programs in nursing and assisted living facilities that are certified for Medicare or Medicaid, with priority given to facilities located in rural communities for applications filed on the same date.

LB721, introduced by Quick and passed 49-0, eliminates that priority designation and requires DHHS to award grants to both nonprofit and proprietary facilities. The bill also authorizes the use of grant funding for expansion costs and prohibits a facility from receiving more than one grant under the program.

LB913, sponsored by Sen. Dunixi Guereca of Omaha and passed 48-0, requires DHHS to appoint a dementia services coordinator. Among other responsibilities, the coordinator will collect and monitor data related to the impact of dementia disorders on Nebraska residents, recommend strategies for service and resource coordination among agencies and organize community stakeholders and resources.



Sen. Dunixi Guereca

Other measures

Senators passed a measure that puts constraints around community-wide directed health measures.

LB203, introduced last session by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth, requires approval before implementation of a community-wide directed health measure, defined as a public health action or intervention by a local public health department involving a total population of the department's jurisdiction when there are no known epidemiological links.



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

Under the measure, a public health director is required to receive written approval from a majority of the publicly elected representatives who are appointed to the city-county

health department prior to a measure being issued. Such approval will expire seven days after issuance unless renewed by a vote of the local health board, and continuing approval will be required every seven days thereafter.

Emergency meetings may be called to vote on such measures and virtual conferencing may be used to carry out the bill's provisions.

LB203 passed on a 35-12 vote.

The Nebraska Health Care Certificate of Need Act requires providers to demonstrate a need for their projects before opening new facilities, expanding existing facilities, increasing bed capacity or purchasing advanced technology.

Previously, applicants had one year to demonstrate certificate of need compliance with the option to appeal to DHHS for a one-year extension. LB437, introduced last session by Riepe and passed 47-0, extends the timeline for compliance to three years, while retaining the possible one-year extension.

Lawmakers also approved a bill that establishes an appeals process for individuals before their names are added to a state registry of those found responsible for abuse, neglect or exploitation of vulnerable Nebraska adults and children.

LB668, introduced last session by Storer and passed 47-0, requires notification by mail at least 14 calendar days prior to a person's entry on the central registry, offering them an opportunity to contest the determination pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

The bill also allows DHHS to provide information to families with prevention cases about community resources to assist them in situations that are alleged in a report but

that an investigation has found do not require further action by the department.

LB737, sponsored by Rountree and passed 47-1, requires the Legislature's Health and Human Services and Urban Affairs committees to conduct annual joint hearings to review progress on the state Olmstead Plan, which is mandated by a 1999 U.S. Supreme Court decision and requires states to ensure that people with disabilities are integrated into their communities.

A bill that would have provided legal protections for health care practitioners who recommend medical cannabis to qualified patients was passed over at the introducer's request.

Under LB933, as introduced by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh, health care providers would have been protected from arrest, prosecution, penalty or denial of any right or privilege solely for recommending medical cannabis or stating a professional opinion that a qualified patient would benefit from medical cannabis to treat or alleviate a condition.



Sen. John Cavanaugh

The Legislature passed over LB933 during second-round debate at Cavanaugh's request following introduction of a Kauth amendment to include provisions of her LB732, which would have prohibited access to hormones and puberty blockers for Nebraskans younger than 19 who are experiencing gender dysphoria.

The bill was not scheduled for further debate this session. ■

JUDICIARY



Sen. Carolyn Bosn, chairperson of the Judiciary Committee

The Judiciary Committee advanced proposals to strengthen law enforcement support and training, expand protections for vulnerable populations and bolster the security of Nebraska's critical infrastructure and agricultural industry.

Omnibus bills

Lawmakers approved two criminal justice packages this session, combining measures addressing domestic violence, sexual misconduct, sentencing, law enforcement procedures and court costs.

Under LB965, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar and passed 39-10, individuals in positions of authority — including probation officers, problem-solving court employees, guardians, conservators, guardians ad litem, foster and adoptive parents and child welfare providers — are barred from engaging in sexual contact



Sen. Eliot Bostar

with those under their supervision or care.

The bill establishes penalties consistent with similar Nebraska laws covering correctional staff, parole officers and school employees and extends victim and witness assistance provisions to impacted individuals.

Consent may not be used as a legal defense under the measure, which also adds adoptive and foster parents to the state's incest statute.

LB965 includes Bostar's LB1123, establishing a formal process for Brady-Giglio disclosures related to law enforcement credibility. Among other provisions, the measure sets standards for maintaining and sharing credibility information, clarifies that placement alone is not grounds for discipline or termination and provides an appeals process for officers determined to be subject to a Brady-Giglio disclosure.

The bill also incorporates LB859, sponsored by Bostar, which creates the position of county conflict counsel to provide constitutionally required representation to indigent clients when a public defender cannot be appointed due to a conflict or other good cause. In counties with more than 170,000 residents, conflict counsel may not engage in private practice and must exclusively represent indigent individuals.

LB965 also contains provisions of the following bills:

- LB785, introduced by Sen. Bob Hallstrom of Syracuse, which adds postal receptacle keys and locks used for the deposit and delivery of mail to the list of burglar's tools in state law when possessed with intent to commit a crime;



Sen. Bob Hallstrom



Sen. Tanya Storer

- LB818, sponsored by Whitman Sen. Tanya Storer, which increases penalties for serious and repeat domestic assault offenses, enhances penalties for strangulation or suffocations and aligns first- and second-degree penalties with

comparable crimes;

- LB908, introduced by Sen. Jared Storm of David City, which requires courts to consider credible evidence showing increased intellectual and social growth in children who have equal access to both parents when determining custody and parenting arrangements; and



Sen. Jared Storm

- LB1000, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Jason Prokop, which establishes a graduated penalty structure for violations of domestic abuse and sexual assault protection orders by increasing the penalty for a third offense to a Class IIIA felony, and to a Class IIA felony for fourth or subsequent offenses.



Sen. Jason Prokop

A second omnibus package combines updates to sentencing, court fees and rural legal access.

LB935, introduced by Sen. Carolyn Bosn of Lincoln, allows a political subdivision to recover attorney fees and court costs if it must defend against a claim that a court finds frivolous or primarily intended to harass the subdivision or its public officials.

The bill also modifies sentencing rules by preserving the presumption of probation for Class IV felonies, unless a defendant originally was charged with a more serious felony and pled down to a Class IV offense.

LB935 includes provisions of the following bills:

- LB789, introduced by Bosn, which prevents defendants from benefiting if they intentionally make a witness unavailable, allowing a witness's prior statements to be admitted in court;
- LB876, sponsored by Hallstrom, which establishes a statewide 72-hour no-contact period, to take effect automatically when a person is arrested for certain domestic or sexual assault offenses;
- LB978, introduced by Storer, which allows individuals depicted in or exposed to obscene material, child sexual abuse material or content promoting child sexual exploitation to sue entities that intentionally distribute such content on publicly available websites;
- LB1020, sponsored by Bostar, which criminalizes unauthorized use of tracking devices, establishes penalties for swatting incidents and restricts drone use in designated airspace without proper approval;
- LB1139, introduced by Hallstrom, which modifies how child and spousal support liens are applied by limiting them to periods of missed payments and requiring their automatic removal once obligations are satisfied;
- LB1199, sponsored by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, which provides additional funding for the state's rural attorney loan repayment program, increases the county population threshold



Sen. Teresa Ibach

from 15,000 to 75,000 to qualify as a designated legal profession shortage area and creates a tiered priority system for future awards; and

- LB1228, introduced by Sen. Rick Holdcroft of Bellevue at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, which establishes a new docket fee for civil cases and traffic misdemeanors and infractions in district and county courts, creates a \$10 case management system software fee and directs most of the new revenue to the state General Fund.



Sen. Rick Holdcroft

LB935 passed on a 38-11 vote and took effect immediately.

Law enforcement

LB816, introduced by Storer and passed 48-0, establishes legal protections for peer support counseling involving law enforcement officers, first responders, emergency services employees and hospital personnel who provide direct patient care.

The measure incorporates provisions of LB755, introduced by Fremont Sen. Dave Wordekemper,



Sen. Dan Lonowski

extending confidentiality to EMS personnel, and



Sen. Dave Wordekemper

LB804, sponsored by Sen. Dan Lonowski of Hastings, applying the same protections to law enforcement.

LB816 bars communications made during peer support sessions — which pair trained colleagues with shared experience with public safety personnel in need of support — from being used in disciplinary or legal proceedings, and requires agencies that establish such programs to adopt written guidelines.

It also includes provisions of Storer's LB1084, a cleanup bill clarifying that certain emergency protective custody placement provisions apply to convicted sex offenders.

The measure took effect immediately.

LB727, introduced by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth and passed 49-0, allows Nebraska law enforcement agencies to obtain and maintain a supply of epinephrine for use during severe allergic reactions.

Officers must complete an approved program and provide proof of training before administering epinephrine in the course of their duties.



Sen. Kathleen Kauth

Under LB784, sponsored by Hallstrom and passed 48-0, sheriffs in counties without a metropolitan, primary or first class city are not required to live in the county when filing for office but must reside there or in an adjoining county while serving.

The bill also updates uniform standards for sheriffs' offices, allowing sheriffs to set dress and patrol uniform requirements within certain parameters and removing a requirement that uniforms be purchased from a state-contracted supplier.

It also revises continuing education requirements for law enforcement officers. Officers in agencies with fewer than 25 full-time officers must complete 24 hours of training annually, while those in larger agencies must complete 32 hours. The requirements do not apply to noncertified conditional officers.

LB751, introduced by Sen. Ashlei Spivey of Omaha, requires the Nebraska State Patrol to conduct a study on expanding criminal justice resources for reporting and identifying missing Black women and children.



Sen. Ashlei Spivey

The patrol will collaborate with state and federal agencies, including the Nebraska Commission on African American Affairs and the U.S. Department of Justice, to assess the issue, identify barriers and improve coordination. A report is due to the Legislature's Executive Board by June 1, 2027.

The bill passed 47-1.

Legal protections

LB1181, introduced by Bosn and passed 49-0, expands the definition of crime victims for reparations purposes and clarifies victims' rights in homicide, domestic violence and post-conviction proceedings.

The bill expands the definition of those impacted by a crime and eligible to access protections and services under the Nebraska Crime Victims' Reparations Act to include relatives beyond immediate family members and others with close ties to the victim.

Additionally, LB1181 allows a victim to submit a written statement during a bond modification proceeding in certain abuse cases. The bill also requires notification when a defendant seeks to modify bond in domestic violence cases and allows victims or their representatives to submit impact statements during bond hearings and, subject to court limits, at sentencing.

Finally, the measure expands the definition of co-victims in homicide cases to include survivors who suffered severe

emotional harm from the victim's death, determined on a case-by-case basis.

LB985, sponsored by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer and passed 49-0, prohibits a private person who already has 20 or more clients from accepting another appointment as a guardian or conservator.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

The bill also contains provisions of DeBoer's LB1178, which allow individuals under a guardianship or conservatorship to attend required hearings either virtually or in person and require guardians to maintain periodic contact with care providers, make monitoring visits at least monthly and keep written records of those visits.

Finally, the measure authorizes courts to award costs and reasonable attorney fees in specified guardianship proceedings, payable either from the trust involved or by another party.

LB1032, also sponsored by DeBoer and passed 49-0, establishes a process to recognize and enforce tribal customary adoptions. Under the bill, the state may choose not to file a recommendation or petition for termination of parental rights if a case involves a child who may be eligible for tribal customary adoption.

The measure clarifies when the state court must consider tribal customary adoption as part of a permanency planning hearing, and requires notification of a child's tribe at least 20 days before the hearing if a recommendation is anything other than returning the child to the parent or home.

It also establishes procedures for coordination between state and tribal courts, including notice requirements and information sharing, and sets a 120-day deadline for a tribal court to complete adoption proceedings.

LB1055, introduced by DeBoer and passed 49-0, requires state Department of Health and Human Services adult protective services officials to complete at least one hour of training every five years related to Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Current officials must complete the training within 30 days of the bill's enactment.

Finally, LB788, sponsored by Bosn and passed 48-0, transfers administration of the Financial Fraud Victims' Reimbursement Fund from the attorney general to the Nebraska State Patrol.

Penalties

LB1096, introduced by Bostar at the request of the governor, makes unauthorized possession of high-risk

agricultural pathogens or pests a Class III felony, punishable by up to four years in prison, two years of post-release supervision, a \$25,000 fine or both.

The offense may be elevated to a Class IIA felony if it involves concealment of the pathogen's origin, is committed on behalf of or funded by a foreign government or results in more than \$1 million in economic damage.

The bill also exempts certain sensitive infrastructure and cybersecurity information from public records laws, expands the definition of critical infrastructure to include water, telecommunications, broadband and 911 systems and restricts foreign-linked entities from accessing or controlling such systems, with limited exceptions.

It also authorizes fines for telecommunications providers that fail to meet certification requirements and clarifies the definition of a foreign adversarial company in relation to state tax incentives.

Lawmakers passed LB1096 on a 34-15 vote.

LB889, sponsored by Sen. Stan Clouse of Kearney, elevates certain violations related to electrical work and inspections from a Class I misdemeanor to a Class IV felony, punishable by up to two years in prison, 12 months of post-release supervision, a \$10,000 fine or both.



Sen. Stan Clouse



Sen. Dan Quick

The bill limits unlicensed work violations to paid work and exempts certain work performed for family members. It also includes provisions of Grand Island Sen. Dan Quick's LB725, which change electrical license renewal deadlines to Nov. 30 of even-numbered years, with late renewals allowed through Dec. 31.

The bill passed 41-8.

LB795, introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay, makes technical changes to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, including correcting statutory language and designating bromazepam as a Schedule I substance.

The measure incorporates provisions of Storer's LB817, which establish enhanced fentanyl intent-to-distribute penalties based on quantity, with the most severe classification carrying a mandatory minimum sentence of 20 years to life in prison.

LB795 passed 32-14.



Sen. Barry DeKay

Other measures

Lawmakers approved a measure aimed at easing the transition for Nebraska youth leaving detention, residential placement or probation supervision.

LB962, sponsored by Sen. Terrell McKinney of Omaha and passed 49-0, creates a multi-agency program to coordinate services for youth returning to their communities involving the state department of Health and Human Services, the Office of Juvenile Services, the Office of Probation Administration and the state Department of Education.



Sen. Terrell McKinney

Participating agencies must integrate transition planning into existing programs and develop individualized plans addressing housing, treatment, education, benefits, identification and employment. Family team meetings are required at least monthly for the first 90 days following reentry.

LB758, introduced by Elkhorn Sen. R. Brad von Gillern and passed 49-0, creates a process for charitable organizations to claim certain assets, including payable-on-death transfers, through affidavit and documentation and limits information requirements imposed by asset holders.



Sen. R. Brad von Gillern

A measure advanced to general file was amended into a bill from another committee and later approved. LB1230, sponsored by Sen. Paul Strommen of Sidney, adds mobile homes to the state's Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act, which governs how landlords handle abandoned property.



Sen. Paul Strommen

The bill was amended into Kauth's LB834 out of the Revenue Committee, which lawmakers passed this session.

Finally, a proposal to update the state's informed consent laws for abortion stalled on general file after a failed cloture motion.

LB669, introduced by Storer, would have removed obsolete provisions of state law related to informed consent that were ruled unconstitutional and blocked from taking effect. The bill also would have required abortion providers to screen patients for signs of coercion, abuse and trafficking.

After four hours of debate, Storer offered a motion to invoke cloture, which ends debate and forces a vote on the bill and any pending amendments. The motion failed 31-15. Thirty-three votes were needed. ■

NATURAL RESOURCES



Sen. Tom Brandt, chairperson of the Natural Resources Committee

Measures protecting certain privately built power plants from eminent domain and creating a regulatory framework for battery energy storage facilities were among those advanced by the Natural Resources Committee this session.

Energy development

LB1010, introduced by Plymouth Sen. Tom Brandt and passed 49-0, subjects private developers of energy storage resources — battery storage facilities — to the same governance and procedures outlined for public power utilities and other privately developed electric generators and suppliers in Nebraska.

The bill requires a private electric supplier to demonstrate to the Nebraska Power Review Board that they have:

- entered into, or will enter into, a power purchase agreement or other contract with a Nebraska public power supplier for the purchase of the ESR's electric energy and capacity throughout its operational life;
- obtained written consent from affected electric

suppliers; and

- entered into a joint transmission development agreement with the public power supplier that owns the transmission facilities that will interconnect with the ESR.

LB1010 also contains provisions of three other bills considered by the committee this session.

The amended provisions of LB1064, introduced by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln, create the Large Load Customer Regulation Act. They require public power suppliers to establish standards for interconnecting retail customers with a new or expanded load of more than 20 megawatts at a single site.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

The measure also authorizes public power suppliers to establish rates, charges and operating standards for each large load customer and impose electric service requirements for those customers in addition to the standards.

Finally, the bill requires public power suppliers to develop a procedure requiring large load customers to curtail their electricity use or deploy onsite backup generating facilities during times of grid instability or emergencies.

The amended provisions of LB1111, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh, allow public power suppliers to impose certain requirements on large data centers, including terms or conditions requiring data centers to pay the full cost of providing their electric service.



Sen. Machaela Cavanaugh

Additionally, the measure requires the owner or operator of a data center to submit an annual report to the state Department of Water, Energy and Environment and the Natural Resources Committee. The report must include the data center's size, location and annual electricity demand and water usage, among other information.

A data center owner or operator also is required to cover the facility's decommissioning costs and enter into a community benefit agreement with communities affected by the data center.

The amended provisions of LB1193, introduced by Sen. Jason Prokop of Lincoln, impose the annual nameplate capacity tax on owners of ESRs with a nameplate capacity of 100 kilowatts or more, while exempting property used in ESRs from the tax levied on depreciable tangible personal property.



Sen. Jason Prokop

The committee also advanced LB1261, sponsored by

Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, which is intended to encourage private energy developers to build dedicated power plants for large-scale electricity users.

The bill prohibits consumer-owned utilities from using eminent domain to acquire privately owned power plants under certain conditions.



Sen. Barry DeKay

The exception applies only to an electric generation facility that is built to provide service to an industrial customer at a single site with a new load greater than 1,000 megawatts. The facility must be co-located with the industrial customer, have an electrically equivalent point of grid interconnection to the customer and be approved by the Nebraska Power Review Board.

Under the bill, passed 33-16, the privately owned electric supplier must have executed a long-term power purchase agreement or other contract with a consumer-owned utility. Any contract must be approved by a utility's governing body.

LB1261 also requires the industrial customer to pay a utility for any electric system upgrades or other costs needed to provide its service.

The bill's requirements apply to contracts entered into on or before Dec. 31, 2031.

Certain Nebraska cities and villages may engage in tax-exempt natural gas supply transactions under another measure advanced by the committee.

LB548, introduced last session by Sen. Loren Lippincott of Central City and passed 47-1, allows first or second class cities or villages that own natural gas systems to enter into a contract to sell natural gas to certain large industrial consumers whose facilities are located in Nebraska and within 100 miles of the city or village.



Sen. Loren Lippincott

The bill allows parties to enter into a contract on or before Jan. 1, 2027.

Environmental and safety regulations, fees

LB759, sponsored by Brandt, contains several changes requested by the state Department of Water, Energy and Environment, which was created last year by the merger of two agencies.

It adds the department's Chief Water Officer or his or her designee to the Water Well Standards and Contractors' Licensing Board and eliminates a public hearing require-

ment related to distributions from the Nebraska Litter Reduction and Recycling Fund.

The bill also allows the department to enter upon property to conduct surveys, investigations and other activities related to the siting and construction of the Perkins County Canal Project. The department must notify a landowner before entering onto their property.

LB759 also contains provisions of three other bills considered by the committee this session.

The amended provisions of LB760, also introduced by Brandt, transfer the authority to permit, license and inspect swimming pools, mobile home parks and recreation camps from the department to counties, cities, villages or local public health departments.

The measure requires local governments to adopt and enforce minimum sanitary and safety requirements for the equipment and operation of swimming pools that meet or exceed minimum requirements adopted by DWEE.

The amended provisions of Brandt's LB761 increase or modify fees for four programs overseen by the department.

Water well registration and permit fees increase from \$40 to \$200.

The bill modifies the annual fee structure for holders of animal feeding operation and livestock waste control facility permits, requiring the department to ensure that fees are adequate to meet 30% of the previous fiscal year's program costs, rather than 20%.

Under LB759, a schedule of fees paid by hazardous waste generators will be based on an annual fee determined by the quantity of hazardous waste generated by weight or volume.

The fee schedule may not exceed the amount necessary for the department to pay for the direct and indirect costs of the regulation of hazardous waste management.

The measure also requires the department to collect application fees for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permits as well as annual fees for permit holders. The fees may not be more than the amount necessary to reimburse the department for administering applications or cover the cost of services provided.

The amended provisions of Brandt's LB1076 codify the authority of the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission to take administrative action and impose penalties for actual or threatened violations of the Nebraska Geologic Storage of Carbon Dioxide Act.

Under the measure, any person who knowingly and willfully violates any provision of the act, makes any false statement in an application or falsifies a monitoring device used for compliance is guilty of a Class I misdemeanor.

LB759 passed on a vote of 36-12 and took effect immediately.

LB823, sponsored by Sen. Dave Wordekemper of Fremont and passed on a vote of 49-0, updates the definition of land-management burning to differentiate between controlled burning and prescribed burning and creates definitions for the latter two practices.

The measure requires open burning permits issued by fire chiefs to specify whether land-management burning is to be a prescribed burning or a controlled burning as well as the approximate number of acres to be burned.

Landowners are required to provide the same information when filing an application for a land-management burning permit and a plan for conducting the burning.

Also advanced by the committee was a proposed constitutional amendment intended to safeguard funds dedicated to the Nebraska Environmental Trust.

LR298CA, introduced by Brandt, would have specified that trust funds could be used exclusively to administer the trust and fund competitively awarded grants to tax-exempt entities, political subdivisions or state agencies for the conservation, enhancement or restoration of the natural, physical and biological environment in Nebraska.

The trust could not have awarded a grant to a project proposed by a state agency unless at least 50% of the project's funding is provided by a political subdivision, the federal government or private donors.

If approved by the Legislature, the proposal would have gone before voters at the November 2026 general election.

LR298CA was scheduled for first-round debate, but the Legislature passed over the measure after Speaker John Arch of La Vista said it lacked the 33 votes needed for a successful cloture motion.



Sen. Dave Wordekemper

Game and Parks fees, mountain lion permits

LB979, introduced by Brandt and passed 37-10, increases fee caps for various hunting and fishing permits issued by the state Game and Parks Commission.

The measure also increases motorboat registration fees and allows the commission to establish and collect reasonable fees for providing fish and wildlife education programs.

LB979 authorizes the commission to use the Game Law Investigation Cash Fund for vehicles, equipment, digital services and specialized training.

Additionally, it creates a provision making it a Class I misdemeanor to traffic in or conspire to traffic in wildlife taken in violation of the Game Law.

The bill also includes provisions of LB1232, sponsored by Sidney Sen. Paul Strommen. They allow the commission to issue limited permits to hunt mountain lions to qualifying resident landowners or leaseholders or a member of their immediate family.



Sen. Paul Strommen

Under the measure, an applicant's qualifying farm or ranch land must be within a designated mountain lion management zone. The number of resident landowner limited permits to hunt mountain lions in any management unit may not exceed 75% of the regular permits authorized for that unit.

The application fee for the limited permit may not exceed one-half the application fee for the regular permit, and the number of applications for each farm or ranch is capped based on certain acreage requirements. ■

NEBRASKA RETIREMENT SYSTEMS



Sen. Beau Ballard, chairperson of the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee

Senators approved measures this session that make changes to laws covering administration of several retirement programs.

LB820, introduced by the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee, amends various sections of state law governing state and county retirement plans administered by the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems, as well as statutes governing the Public Employees Retirement Board and the Nebraska Investment Council.

Among other provisions, the bill:

- changes the NPERS director's title to executive director;
- consolidates language regarding approved identification documents for state retirement plan purposes;
- clarifies language regarding state contributions to the School Retirement Fund and the Omaha School Employees Retirement System Plan;
- provides for tax treatment of contributions under the Deferred Compensation Plan in designated Roth

- IRA accounts under the Internal Revenue Code; and
- deletes obsolete provisions related to the transfer of OSERS governance to the PERB.

The bill includes provisions of four additional measures.

LB433, introduced last session by Elkhorn Sen. Tony Sorrentino, amends the State Employees Retirement Act to provide that temporary state employees who previously were members of the state employees retirement system and return to state employment in fewer than 120 days will begin participation in the system within 30 days.



Sen. Tony Sorrentino

It also clarifies that employees of the Legislature who are hired for a limited period of time, or for a grant-funded position or a special project, will be considered temporary employees for purposes of the State Employees Retirement Act.

LB1102, sponsored by Sen. Beau Ballard of Lincoln, changes the adjustment date of cost-of-living adjustments under the Class V School Employees Retirement Act to align with the beginning of the plan year. Beginning in 2026, COLAs will be calculated and adjusted Sept. 1 of each year.

The measure also changes the annuity payment date and the definition of retirement date under the act to align with the School Employees Retirement Act.

LB1103, sponsored by Sen. Eliot Bostar of Lincoln, increases the mandatory retirement age for members of the Nebraska State Patrol from 60 to 65 and authorizes members who joined the plan after July 1, 2016, to participate in the deferred retirement option plan.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

Finally, LB1166, introduced by Omaha Sen. Margo Juarez, modifies the School Employees Retirement Act timeline for annual adjustments to employee and employer contributions to the School Retirement Fund. Beginning in 2027, contribution rates will be calculated as of July 1 each year and apply beginning Sept. 1 of that year and prior to Sept. 1 the following year.



Sen. Margo Juarez

LB820 passed on a 49-0 vote and took effect immediately.

Lawmakers also approved a bill that changes optional benefit form requirements under the Police Officers Retirement Act. LB743, sponsored by Juarez, requires that benefit forms include the option of partial payments in an amount and frequency elected by the police officer.

The bill passed 49-0 and takes effect Oct. 1.

LB822, introduced by the committee, updates references and eliminates obsolete language in laws governing police retirement systems in first class cities. Nebraska cities are classified as first class if they have a population of at least 5,000 and less than 100,000.

The bill, passed 49-0, also renames the Police Officers Retirement Act as the Cities of the First Class Police Officers Retirement Act.

Senators also passed a measure that makes several changes to the Nebraska Retirement Fund for Judges. Sponsored by the committee, LB1101 eliminates the state's contribution to the judges' plan beginning July 1.

The state contribution will continue to be reviewed by the actuary employed by NPERS for possible adjustment in the future based on the funded ratio on the actuarial value of plan assets.

LB1101 also makes two changes to member contributions. Beginning July 1, the contribution rate for all judges will be reduced from 10% to 9% of compensation. At 20 years of service credit, the contribution rate will reduce

further to 5% of compensation.

Finally, the bill increases the maximum cost-of-living adjustment from 1% to 2.5% for judges who became plan members after July 1, 2015.

The measure passed 48-0 and took effect immediately.

A bill that changes the bona fide separation period for school retirement plans in Nebraska received final approval this session.

Currently, members of the School Employees Retirement System and the Class V School Employees Retirement System must wait 180 days from the time of their separation from service before they can return to the classroom, with exceptions for intermittent work as a volunteer or substitute employee at a school district or educational service unit.

LB824, introduced by Hastings Sen. Dan Lonowski, changes the required separation of service period for retirees to 120 days with no exceptions, beginning May 1.

The measure passed 47-1 and took effect immediately. ■



Sen. Dan Lonowski

REVENUE



Sen. R. Brad von Gillern, chairperson of the Revenue Committee

The Revenue Committee considered proposals this session that create retention and hiring incentives for merging businesses, rework a local property tax hearing process and increase the tax on real estate transfers to fund workforce housing programs.

Business incentives, economic development

The committee advanced a measure intended to give the state Department of Economic Development more flexibility when awarding certain grants of assistance to Nebraska municipalities.

Previously, cities were required to partner with a certified creative district to be eligible for state assistance under the Civic and Community Center Financing Act.

LB778, introduced by Lincoln Sen. George Dungan and passed 49-0, instead requires the department to give



Sen. George Dungan

preference to any municipality that is partnered with a creative district when awarding grants of assistance under the act from July 1, 2027, to June 30, 2028.

LB883, sponsored by Sen. Bob Andersen of Omaha and passed 47-0, allows the department to provide grants to assist in the demolition of historic buildings or districts under the CCCFA.

Grant applications must include documentation showing that the applicant and the State Historic Preservation Officer have agreed to preservation-based mitigation strategies.

The bill also updates requirements for demolition grants awarded to first and second class cities or villages under the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Grant Program, which is administered by the state Department of Water, Energy and Environment.

If the State Historic Preservation Officer has determined that a property to be demolished is listed or eligible to be listed on the National Register of Historic Places, an applicant must demonstrate that:

- the property has been deemed a substandard and abandoned commercial property by a certified building professional with the approval of the State Historic Preservation Officer; or
- the city or village and the State Historic Preservation Officer have agreed to preservation-based mitigation strategies.

Finally, LB883 requires that the rural grant program's fund be used to pay the costs incurred by the State Historic Preservation Officer in carrying out their duties under the new requirements.

The committee also advanced a measure intended to ensure that Nebraska companies do not lose certain tax incentives when they spin off part of their business operations.

LB954, introduced by Elkhorn Sen. R. Brad von Gillern and passed on a vote of 44-3, applies to companies that have met employment and investment requirements under Tier 6 of the Nebraska Advantage Act.

If a company sells or transfers part of its business to another entity, the state Department of Revenue is required to recalculate the company's base-year employees by subtracting the number of employees at the sold or transferred business operation from the number of base-year employees calculated prior to the sale or transfer.

The recalculation is not allowed if the business operations that were sold or transferred cease operations within two years after the sale or transfer or if the primary business purpose of the sale or transfer was to close a location.



Sen. Bob Andersen

LB954 applies to agreements entered into after Dec. 31, 2016.

LB1165, sponsored by von Gillern at the request of Gov. Jim Pillen, creates the Grow the Good Life Act.

Under the proposal, a qualifying large employer that merges with an out-of-state company will receive tax credits of up to \$50 million over 10 years if it retains its headquarters and most of its base-year employees in Nebraska.

The bill also creates a grant program to help with employee retention and recruitment during a merger and allows companies to use ImagiNE Nebraska Act credits to pay up to 50% of employees' child care costs.

Additionally, LB1165 increases credit percentages for companies that meet certain job creation and investment thresholds under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act.

Under the bill, the credit percentages will increase by an additional point if a qualifying large employer hires 500 or more full-time employees within seven years of a merger. New employees must be paid an average annual wage of at least \$100,000.

LB1165 allows the state Department of Economic Development to use the Site and Building Development Fund to award grants to an employer for capital improvements related to employee retention and recruitment following a merger.

The department also may award grants or interest-free loans to certain first class cities that have been affected by a "sudden and significant private-sector entity closure or downsizing." A grant may be used to acquire land, infuse infrastructure or otherwise prepare large sites and buildings for industrial development.

Both types of grants are limited to \$2.5 million per year for two fiscal years.

Also included in the bill are provisions of LB1191, introduced by Sen. Bob Hallstrom of Syracuse, and LB1192, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Jason Prokop.

Under Hallstrom's measure, companies with active agreements to receive tax incentives under Tier 6 of the Nebraska Advantage Act have up to nine years rather than six to meet required employment and investment levels.

For the extension to apply, a company must make a one-time election and pay a \$90,000 fee. The provision applies only to projects approved on or after Dec. 1, 2020.

Under Prokop's measure, facilities with a capacity of greater than 16,000 seats located in a primary class city are

eligible for assistance under the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act. Lincoln is the state's only primary class city.

LB1165 passed on a vote of 42-7 and took effect immediately.

Property taxes

Lawmakers approved two measures modifying the Property Tax Request Act this session.

Established by the Legislature in 2021, the act had required cities, counties and school districts to participate in a joint public hearing before increasing their property tax request by more than an allowable growth percentage.

Previously, at least one elected official — or designated representative — from each participating political subdivision was required to attend.

LB384, introduced last year by Sen. Tanya Storer of Whitman and passed 49-0, instead requires the attendance of at least one voting member of the governing body of each participating political subdivision. The measure also requires the county assessor of the county hosting the hearing to attend.



Sen. Tanya Storer

LB803, introduced by the committee as a shell bill, was amended to include provisions of five other revenue-related measures, including Hallstrom's LB575, which makes extensive changes to the Property Tax Request Act.

His proposal eliminates provisions tying the joint public hearing requirement to an allowable growth percentage and instead requires cities, counties and school districts to participate in the hearings regardless of whether they seek to increase their property tax request.

Although Hallstrom's measure repeals the section of the Property Tax Request Act that LB384 had modified, LB803 incorporates LB384's attendance requirements, ensuring the change remains in effect.

Under LB803, the joint public hearings must focus on each political subdivision's budget and property tax request.

Hearings previously had to be held between Sept. 14 and 24. Under Hallstrom's measure, hearings must be held on or after July 1 and prior to July 15 and before any of the participating political subdivisions files an adopted budget statement.

Previously, counties were required to send postcards notifying property owners of a joint public hearing. Under LB803, the state Department of Revenue instead will send property owners a postcard that includes a website where a county is required to post the time and place of the joint



Sen. Bob Hallstrom



Sen. Jason Prokop

public hearing and the first city, county and school district budget hearings.

LB803 also updates an existing provision that requires counties to notify property owners of valuation changes.

The updated notice must include information similar to what was included on the previous version of the postcard, such as a parcel's current valuation and the amount of taxes that would be levied against the parcel by each city, county and school district using the previous year's levy rate.

The Property Tax Request Act also requires certain political subdivisions to hold a public hearing and pass a resolution or ordinance to increase their property tax request from one year to the next. Under LB803, such a measure must pass by a two-thirds majority vote — or a four-sevenths majority vote in political subdivisions with seven-member boards.

Also included in the bill are provisions of:

- LB882, sponsored by Andersen, which eliminates or modifies homestead exemption reapplication requirements for certain disabled veterans and their surviving spouses as well as for surviving spouses of service members who died on active duty or because of a service-connected disability;
- LB938, introduced by Hallstrom, which creates an income tax deduction for contributions to accounts that may be used for the down payment and closing costs related to a beneficiary's purchase or construction of their first home;
- LB1116, sponsored by Sumner Sen. Teresa Ibach, under which state assistance may be used for a sports complex located in a second class city or village for up to 10 years rather than five; and



Sen. Teresa Ibach



Sen. Merv Riepe

- LB1154, introduced by Sen. Merv Riepe of Ralston, which updates the calculation of county, city and village preliminary property tax request authority under the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act.

LB803 passed on a vote of 48-1 and took effect immediately.

Tax and fee increases

The committee advanced a bill intended to help Nebraska cigar shops compete with online retailers.

LB212, introduced last session by Fremont Sen. Dave

Wordekemper and passed 49-0, requires remote retail sellers to collect and remit a 20% state excise tax on certain products like cigars and pipe tobacco sold directly to Nebraska consumers if they meet certain sales thresholds.

The bill also requires remote retailers of covered tobacco products to apply for a license from the state tax commissioner. License holders must submit monthly tax returns and keep accurate sales records.

The new requirements take effect Jan. 1, 2027.

LB901, introduced by the committee as a shell bill, was amended to include provisions of several measures aimed at increasing state revenue.

The provisions of LB873, sponsored by Hallstrom, impose a 10% state excise tax on the retail sale of kratom products beginning in 2027.

Hallstrom's measure also prohibits the sale of any kratom product undergoing testing until the results verify that it is not adulterated. If an adulterated product is sold in violation of the state Kratom Consumer Protection Act, the state Department of Revenue is required to remove it from the list of registered products on its website.

The amended provisions of LB890, introduced by Sen. Stan Clouse of Kearney, update the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act.

Among other changes, the measure increases the application fee for a cash device from \$500 to \$650 and the annual decal fee from \$250 to \$350 beginning in 2027. It also increases the cash device tax from 5% to 10% of net operating revenue.

Another provision prohibits operators from making a cash device available for play at a retail establishment unless an attendant is physically present and capable of actively supervising play by visually confirming a player's age and intervening to prevent play by anyone under 21.

The amended provisions of LB1109, introduced by von Gillern at the request of the governor, repeal several sales and use tax exemptions, including those for sales of mineral oil applied to grain as a dust suppressant and biochips used in certain activities.

The measure removes waste treatment and disposal facilities from the list of locations eligible for tax incentives under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act.

It also sunsets a renewable energy tax credit effective July 1 and modifies a tax credit available under the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act so that



Sen. Dave Wordekemper



Sen. Stan Clouse

it is no longer refundable.

The provisions of von Gillern's LB1110 expand the allowable uses of the Department of Revenue Enforcement Fund. They require the department to use money in the fund for the administration and enforcement of any activity or function administered by the state tax commissioner.

The measure also requires the department and the state Department of Health and Human Services to share confidential information about persons, businesses and state and local subdivisions with the other agency for the purpose of properly administering the law.

Finally, the proposal requires the state Department of Revenue to add a collection fee to delinquent tax claims in addition to the actual costs incurred by the department in collecting the taxes.

The amended provisions of LB1131, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, require the department to distribute \$3 million annually in refundable, transferable state income tax credits to nonprofits that provide services to victims of domestic violence and human trafficking.

To fund the credits, the measure repeals tax exemptions related to the assembly of certain data center equipment for use outside the state.

LB901 passed on a vote of 36-13 and took effect immediately.

The committee also advanced a measure intended to create a stable funding source for two Nebraska workforce housing programs.

LB1067, introduced by Hallstrom and passed 36-13, increases the documentary stamp tax on real estate transactions and splits the additional proceeds between the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Fund and Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Fund.

The measure increases the documentary stamp tax from \$2.32 to \$3.32 for each \$1,000 in value through Jan. 1, 2032, when it will return to the previous amount.

Beginning July 1, 2027, the bill also prohibits the transfer of money from the Affordable Housing Trust Fund to the state's General Fund and certain other funds.

A measure that would have used additional cigarette tax revenue to help cover state Medicaid costs stalled on the first round of debate after a failed cloture motion.

LB1124, sponsored by Sen. Tony Sorrentino of Elkhorn, would have increased the state excise tax on a package



Sen. Eliot Bostar



Sen. Tony Sorrentino

of cigarettes from 64 cents to \$1.64 beginning July 1. Most of the additional proceeds would have been used to pay for state Medicaid expenses.

As amended, the bill included provisions of LB712, introduced last session by Seward Sen. Jana Hughes. Her proposal would have taxed all vaping products based on their wholesale price at a rate of 30%.

After eight hours of first-round debate over two days, Sorrentino filed a motion to invoke cloture, which ends debate and forces a vote on the bill and any pending amendments.

The motion failed on a vote of 31-10. Thirty-three votes were needed.



Sen. Jana Hughes

Other measures

LB834, introduced by Omaha Sen. Kathleen Kauth and passed 46-0, allows a county assessor, when authorized by the county board, to appoint one or more deputies who will perform the assessor's duties in their absence.

Among several other technical updates, the bill also eliminates an annual \$5 mobile home park permit fee and provides for delinquent taxes on mobile homes, cabin trailers and manufactured homes to be extinguished after 15 years.

LB834 also includes provisions of LB1230, sponsored by Sen. Paul Strommen of Sidney. The measure includes mobile homes under the state's Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act, which governs how landlords handle abandoned personal property.

Under the bill, homes valued under \$2,000 may be disposed of at a landlord's discretion, while homes valued over \$2,000 may be sold at public auction.

The committee also considered a measure to help counties cover the cost of collecting delinquent taxes.

County sheriffs collect a fee for distress warrants issued to collect delinquent taxes on personal property, plus a \$1 levy fee, a mileage charge and a commission on any taxes collected.

LB900, introduced by Hastings Sen. Dan Lonowski and passed 33-14, increases the distress warrant fee from \$2 to \$20. The measure also eliminates the \$1 levy fee as well as



Sen. Kathleen Kauth



Sen. Paul Strommen

a requirement to prorate mileage among trips when sheriffs serve multiple warrants at the same time.

For taxes collected by distress and sale, counties may collect a 10% commission on amounts not exceeding \$500, an increase from \$100. An 8% commission applies to amounts exceeding \$500, also an increase from \$100.

Also advanced by the committee was a measure intended to encourage participation in the state's Achieving a Better Life Experience program.

The program, administered by the state treasurer, pro-



Sen. Dan Lonowski

vides tax-advantaged savings accounts used to pay for the qualified disability expenses of a designated beneficiary.

The state is prohibited from reclaiming money that remains in a beneficiary's account after their death to pay for medical assistance received by the beneficiary or their spouse or dependent under the state's Medicaid program.

LB1240, sponsored by Sen. Dave Murman of Glenvil and passed 49-0, expands that prohibition, ensuring that funds distributed from an ABLE account upon a beneficiary's death may not be reclaimed. ■



Sen. Dave Murman

TRANSPORTATION & TELECOMMUNICATIONS



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

A state revolving loan program will finance local infrastructure projects, and fees from one of several new license plates will help support Nebraskans with developmental disabilities under measures advanced by the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee this session.

Omnibus bill

Under LB1126, sponsored by Columbus Sen. Mike Moser and passed on a 42-7 vote, the State Highway Commission will administer an infrastructure development investment program with assistance from the state Department of Transportation.

The program may provide loans or other financial assistance to political subdivisions and certain other entities to construct, improve or enhance roads, bridges and other eligible transportation infrastructure.

Among other changes, the bill also:

- authorizes a public-private partnership delivery method for transportation projects deemed appropriate at the discretion of the department director;
- allows political subdivisions to enter into public-private partnership contracts and receive unsolicited proposals under the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act;
- requires the department to include procedures for receiving and evaluating unsolicited proposals in existing guidelines for entering into certain alternative contracting methods; and
- increases maximum fees for certain permits for oversized or overweight vehicles and creates a superload vehicle category with associated maximum permit fees.

Additionally, LB1126 includes provisions of four other measures heard by the committee this session.

Wireless carriers are required to collect a surcharge from postpaid wireless customers to fund the state's 911 service system. Previously, the surcharge was capped at 70 cents per month, except in a county containing a metropolitan class city, where a 50-cent limit applied. Omaha is the state's only metropolitan class city.

The amended provisions of LB576, introduced last session by Sen. Myron Dorn of Adams, eliminate the 50-cent cap.



Sen. Myron Dorn

The state Public Service Commission holds an annual hearing to determine the amount of revenue needed to fund the 911 system and then sets the surcharge accordingly. Dorn's measure also requires the commission to maximize operational support for the state's public safety answering points when making that determination.

The amended provisions of LB1073, sponsored by Lincoln Sen. Carolyn Bosn, require commercial motor vehicle driver training to include at least 30 minutes of human trafficking training beginning in 2027.

The measure requires the state attorney general to prescribe the curriculum and training materials and to review and update them at least once every three years.

The provisions of LB1107, introduced by Sen. Glen Meyer of Pender, update the Rural Road Improvement District Act. The measure requires county resolutions on proposed road



Sen. Carolyn Bosn



Sen. Glen Meyer

improvement projects to state whether the improvements will be a general cost to the county or paid for by levying special assessments.

Among other changes, the measure also extends the maximum term of county road improvement bonds from 10 to 20 years.

The amended provisions of LB1180, sponsored by Bennington Sen. Wendy DeBoer, modify the licensure process for carriers seeking to provide intrastate Medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services.



Sen. Wendy DeBoer

DMV cleanup, new license plates

LB972, introduced by Omaha Sen. John Fredrickson and passed 48-1, includes changes requested by the state Department of Motor Vehicles to improve customer service and protect against fraud.

Among other changes, the bill allows qualified licensees to renew their Class O or M license electronically or in person, requires insurance companies to electronically transmit proof of liability coverage to the department and clarifies requirements for the display of In Transit placards or stickers.

Beginning in 2027, the measure also requires the department to issue Choice Color Plates with a solid blue or green background and white characters. Associated fees will be credited to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.

LB972 includes provisions of nine other measures.

The provisions of LB738, sponsored by Sen. Victor Rountree of Bellevue, require the DMV to design and issue Honoring Women Veterans license plates. The state Department of Veterans' Affairs will use the associated fees to fund events focused on women veterans.



Sen. John Fredrickson



Sen. Victor Rountree

The provisions of LB769, introduced by Niobrara Sen. Barry DeKay, require the DMV to issue University of Nebraska State Museum License Plates. The measure requires the Board of Regents to use fees generated by the license plates to support research, public education and outreach at state museums.



Sen. Barry DeKay

The provisions of LB786, sponsored by Sen. Rita Sanders of Bellevue, direct some of the proceeds from Military



Sen. Rita Sanders

Honor Plates to a new Military Department Aid Fund. The adjutant general will use the fund to award need-based grants to Nebraska National Guard and Air National Guard members.

The provisions of LB922, introduced by Plymouth



Sen. Tom Brandt

Sen. Tom Brandt, increase caps on application fees for various licenses issued by the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board.

Under the provisions of LB1005,



Sen. Stan Clouse

sponsored by Sen. Stan Clouse of Kearney, all-terrain vehicles or utility-type vehicles may be operated within city or village limits between the hours of sunset and sunrise as long as their use is authorized by the city, village or county and they meet certain headlight and taillight requirements.

The amended provisions of LB1092, introduced by Lincoln Sen. Eliot Bostar, require the DMV to issue two additional types of license plates.

A portion of the fees from Back the Blue License Plates will be credited to a cash fund administered by the Nebraska State Patrol. The agency will use the fund to provide grants to injured law enforcement personnel or the spouse or child of any injured or deceased law enforcement officer.



Sen. Eliot Bostar

Blackout License Plates will have a solid black background and white characters. Seventy percent of the associated fees are directed to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund, and 30% will be credited to a new cash fund administered by the state Department of Health and Human Services.

The department will use the fund to award grants to developmental disability service providers to improve their transportation fleets and infrastructure, as well as to increase capacity for additional clients.

The amended provisions of LB1099, sponsored by Sen. Ben Hansen of Blair, require the DMV to design and issue Scarlet and Cream License Plates. Associated fees are directed to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund.



Sen. Ben Hansen

The provisions of LB1104, introduced by Norfolk Sen.



Sen. Robert Dover

Robert Dover, authorize the DMV and the state Department of Revenue to make a determination that a resident owner of a motor vehicle or trailer is avoiding state motor vehicle taxes and fees, registration fees or sales or use taxes.

The amended provisions of LB1121, sponsored by Sen. Beau Ballard of Lincoln, authorize the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board to issue licenses to dealers, manufacturers and distributors of new recreational vehicles and regulate franchise agreements between manufacturers and dealers.



Sen. Beau Ballard

Other measures

Owners of heavy commercial electric vehicles will pay a higher state registration fee under another bill advanced by the committee.

The standard registration fee for alternative-fuel vehicles is \$150.

LB207, introduced last session by Elkhorn Sen. R. Brad von Gillern and passed 49-0, requires owners of commer-

cially registered alternative-fuel vehicles with a gross weight of more than 7,500 pounds to pay a fee that is three times the standard fee, or \$450.

The fee does not apply to large commercial trucks that operate across state lines.

Also advanced was a measure prohibiting rideshare companies from using dynamic pricing during a state of emergency that affects transportation.

Previously, transportation network companies such as Uber and Lyft were prohibited from using dynamic pricing statewide during any state of emergency declared by the governor.

LB771, sponsored by Ballard, prohibits dynamic pricing for seven days after the governor declares a state of emergency when the emergency affects the transportation of people, goods or equipment.

The prohibition is confined to the areas outlined in the emergency proclamation, and the governor may further regulate dynamic pricing during a state of emergency through executive order.

LB771 passed on a vote of 44-2 and took effect immediately. ■



Sen. R. Brad von Gillern

URBAN AFFAIRS



Sen. Terrell McKinney, chairperson of the Urban Affairs Committee

The Urban Affairs Committee considered measures this session that update land bank membership and reporting requirements, authorize the formation of community improvement districts and allow for virtual inspections of certain residential buildings.

City development and operations

Previously, first and second class cities and villages were required to approve and advertise for bids for certain public works contracts of over \$30,000. LB797, introduced by the committee and passed on a vote of 49-0, increases the minimum amount to \$90,000.

The bill also raises the minimum amounts at which municipal electric utilities are allowed to enter into certain contracts without advertising for bids. Minimum contract amounts increase depending on a utility's gross annual revenue from retail sales.

LB797 creates additional tiers for utilities with revenue in excess of \$20 million, \$30 million and \$75 million.

Under LB798, also introduced by the committee and passed 49-0, planning commissions for second class cities and villages may have three regular members. Previously, they could have only five, seven or nine regular members.

The bill also allows second class cities that elect city council members by ward to elect some members on an at-large basis if the method is first approved by voters at a general election. At least two members may be elected on an at-large basis, and no more than one-half of the city council may be at-large members.

The committee's LB1114 revises eligibility provisions that allow for the expedited review of community redevelopment plans under Nebraska's Community Development Law.

As amended, the bill includes provisions of seven other measures considered by the committee this session, including LB850, sponsored by Omaha Sen. John Cavanaugh.

His measure allows metropolitan and primary class cities to use an economic development program for the purpose of building or rehabilitating affordable housing, workforce housing or housing for persons of low or moderate income under the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act.

Previously, only first or second class cities and villages were allowed to create a program for those purposes. Lincoln is Nebraska's only primary class city and Omaha is the only metropolitan class city.

The amended provisions of LB915, introduced by Sen. Loren Lippincott of Central City, update the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act. They increase the number of inland port districts that may be designated from five to eight and revise eligibility requirements for counties.

The provisions of LB976, sponsored by Omaha Sen. Bob Andersen, update requirements for sanitary and improvement district elections.

The measure also requires an SID board or administrator to let certain contracts of more than \$50,000 to the lowest responsible bidder, an increase from \$20,000.

The amended provisions of the committee's LB981 require a housing agency in a metropolitan class city to submit an annual report to the committee. The report must include details on pest control management activities, as



Sen. John Cavanaugh



Sen. Loren Lippincott



Sen. Bob Andersen

well as evictions and complaints filed during the reporting period, among other information.

In addition to that requirement, the measure allows a metropolitan class city to regulate any housing agency in the city by ordinance. Regulations may provide for code enforcement, complaint-based inspections and monthly updates to the city council that include information about pest control issues and any mitigation efforts completed by the housing agency.

The provisions of LB1129, introduced by Sen. Robert Dover of Norfolk, allow a city to use tax-increment financing to develop underdeveloped parcels that have been within its extra-territorial zoning jurisdiction for more than 25 years.



Sen. Robert Dover

The amended provisions of LB1130, sponsored by North Platte Sen. Mike Jacobson, create the Community Improvement District Act. The measure allows property owners to propose the formation of a community improvement district within a city or village for the construction, maintenance and repair of public infrastructure.



Sen. Mike Jacobson

A city or village must pass an ordinance approving the formation of a CID, which may levy taxes and special assessments on property within the district and use those funds to pay off outstanding bonds.

The amended provisions of LB1152, introduced by Sen. Beau Ballard of Lincoln, create the New Taxpayer Recruitment Grant Act.



Sen. Beau Ballard

The act authorizes the state Department of Economic Development to award grants to cities, Indian tribes or certain nonprofit organizations, which may use the funds for taxpayer recruitment programs that incentivize households to relocate to Nebraska.

LB1114 passed on a vote of 48-1 and took effect immediately.

LB1135, sponsored by the committee, modifies land bank membership and reporting requirements under the Nebraska Municipal Land Bank Act.

Voting members of a land bank board previously were required to reside within the municipality that created the land bank. Under the bill, voting members also may reside within three miles of the municipality, but a majority must reside within it.

For land banks created by more than one municipal-

ity, voting members must reside within one of those municipalities or within three miles. A majority must reside within the municipality in which the majority of land bank property is located.

LB1135 requires land bank boards to submit reports at least quarterly rather than monthly. It also prohibits a land bank from temporarily holding real property on behalf of a private entity for more than one year, unless the entity has entered into a community benefits agreement with the land bank and local community groups.

The bill includes provisions of six other proposals considered by the committee this session:

- LB799, introduced by the committee, which requires a metropolitan class city, counties with a population of more than 500,000 and state agencies to submit annual reports on service contracts above a certain amount that were awarded during the prior year;
- LB811, sponsored by Dover, which authorizes all Nebraska municipalities to establish stand-alone land banks, something only primary and metropolitan class cities previously were allowed to do;
- LB842, introduced by Bellevue Sen. Victor Rountree, which allows first and second class cities and villages to enter into contracts with private entities for the operation, maintenance, management or enforcement of municipal parking facilities;



Sen. Victor Rountree



Sen. John Fredrickson

- LB1163, sponsored by Sen. John Fredrickson of Omaha, which updates how liens against delinquent assessments are recorded under the Nebraska Property Assessed Clean Energy Act;

• LB1168, introduced by Fremont Sen. Dave Wordekemper, which allows a city's redevelopment authority to enter into a contract under which it issues conduit



Sen. Dave Wordekemper

revenue bonds; and



Sen. Dunixi Guereca

- LB1250, sponsored by Sen. Dunixi Guereca of Omaha, which allows primary, first and second class cities and villages to sell or transfer any waterworks, sewer system or

water system to an Indian tribe under certain conditions.

LB1135 passed 48-1 and took effect immediately.

Housing

Under LB441, introduced last session by Omaha Sen. Ashlei Spivey and passed 47-1, any state agency, county, city or village that requires an inspection as part of a building permit may allow for virtual inspection by an authorized inspector under certain conditions.

The inspection must be of an area of a single-family or two-family residential building that is less than three stories in height and under 10,000 square feet.

The bill requires the individual requesting or holding the permit to provide the name of the licensed or registered contractor who is completing the work to be virtually inspected.

Gov. Jim Pillen vetoed a proposal that would have measured the number of accessible housing units in Nebraska and added accessibility requirements to a state affordable housing program.

Under the Municipal Density and Missing Middle Housing Act, metropolitan, primary and first class cities with a population of at least 20,000 are required to submit biennial reports to the committee. The reports provide details on cities' efforts to address the availability of and



Sen. Ashlei Spivey

incentives for affordable housing.

Under LB839, sponsored by Rountree, cities also would have been required to report the number of accessible multifamily housing units within city limits.

The bill includes provisions of two other measures introduced by Rountree this session.

The amended provisions of LB840 would have prohibited the state Department of Economic Development from approving a multifamily rental unit project for assistance from the state Affordable Housing Trust Fund unless at least 5% of the project's dwelling units are accessible for people with mobility impairments, and at least 2% are accessible for those with hearing or vision impairments.

Under the amended provisions of LB1041, the biennial reports also would have included details on cities' efforts to expand the use of accessory dwelling units, any obstacles to the construction of additional ADUs and areas where they are allowed by right.

Reports also would have had to include recommended actions the state could take to assist cities in the construction of affordable housing.

LB839 passed on a vote of 34-15.

In his veto letter, the governor said requiring housing developers to build an "arbitrary" percentage of accessible dwelling units would force them to forgo state assistance or spend additional funds to build units that might go un-rented or be rented to those without physical impairments.

An attempt to override the veto failed on a vote of 19-28. Thirty votes were needed. ■

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 #
 ISSUES: coverage in issue # of the 2026 Unicameral Update

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LB203	Kauth	S	Change powers and duties of health directors in certain local public health departments and provide requirements relating to community-wide directed health measures	4, 6
LB207	von Gillern	S	Provide a registration fee under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act for certain commercially registered alternative fuel vehicles	2, 5
LB212	Wordekemper	S	Require licensure of persons engaged in remote sales of covered tobacco products under the Tobacco Products Tax Act and provide for taxation of such sales	2, 5
LB258	Raybould	S	Change provisions relating to the minimum wage under the Wage and Hour Act	5
LB304	DeBoer	S	Eliminate a sunset date for the federal Child Care Subsidy program and state intent regarding funding	11, 12, 13, 14
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LB308	Ibach	C (>921)	Adopt the Health Care Staffing Agency Registration Act	12, 14
LB313	Ibach	C	Change provisions under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act relating to subrogation of third-party claims and the distribution of proceeds in the settlement of third-party claims	9
LB320	Sanders	S	Require hotels and similar public lodging establishments to display posters relating to human trafficking, provide for training regarding recognition of human trafficking for employees of such establishments, and limit liability for human trafficking activity at such establishments	4, 7
LB345	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	GF	Change salaries of constitutional officers	11
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LB397	Moser	S	Change and eliminate provisions relating to workplace safety committees and a workplace safety program and terminate a fund	4, 6, 7
LB400	Wordekemper	GF	Provide for compensation under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act for cancers experienced by firefighters	3, 13
LB417	Bostar	GF (>937)	Provide for administration of the Nebraska Promise Program by the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, adopt the College Promise Act, and change provisions relating to the Quality Education Accountability Act	
LB429	Murman	S	Provide requirements and restrictions for school boards relating to professional employees' organizations	5, 9, 14
LB430	Murman	C (>653)	Provide an additional exception to the prohibition on suspending a student in prekindergarten through second grade and change provisions relating to short-term and long-term suspension under the Student Discipline Act	3, 7
LB433	Sorrentino	GF (>820)	Exempt deputy directors and agency attorneys from the State Personnel System and change membership provisions under the State Employees Retirement Act	13, 14
LB437	Riepe	S	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Health Care Certificate of Need Act	4, 6
LB441	Spivey	S (+861)	Authorize virtual inspections for certain building permits under the Building Construction Act	4, 7
LB455	Hallstrom	S (+1077)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act relating to injury reports and workers' compensation insurance policies and deductibles	9, 14
LB463	Ballard	SF	Require school districts to develop a cardiac emergency response plan under the School Safety and Security Reporting System Act and provide for grants for such plans from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund	2
LB468	Clements	SF	Change provisions relating to inheritance taxes, change certain fee and tax provisions, and eliminate a sales tax exemption relating to data centers	6
LB525	Jacobson	S (+1185)	Adopt the Agricultural Data Privacy Act and the Conversational Artificial Intelligence Safety Act	12, 14
LB525A	Jacobson	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB538	Hardin	SF	Require the State Board of Education to develop a model policy regarding discrimination and antisemitism, require school boards to adopt a policy regarding discrimination and antisemitism, and provide for Title VI coordinators	4, 5
LB544	Dover	C (>921)	Disqualify certain individuals from receiving benefits under the Employment Security Law	12, 14
LB548	Lippincott	S	Authorize certain cities and villages that own or operate natural gas systems to contract with industrial consumers of natural gas	4, 6, 8
LB575	Hallstrom	GF (>803)	Change provisions relating to the Property Tax Request Act and property tax levy limits	13, 14

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LB576	Dorn	GF (>1126)	Change provisions of the Enhanced Wireless 911 Services Act relating to surcharges and public hearings	14
LB596	Sanders	S (+739, 869, 896, 898, 919, 923, 1145, 1159)	Change requirements for legal publications and notices required by law, provisions of the Open Meetings Act, county inventories, warrants, and discharge records, storage requirements for certain records, petitions to change names, marriage license and record fees, reports of abandoned property, and the Nebraska Hall of Fame and eliminate a penalty for certain public officials and provisions relating to the registration of farm, ranch, or home names	9, 13, 14
LB599	DeBoer	GF (>937)	Require the State Board of Education to adopt a policy relating to cybersecurity	14
LB603	Ballard	GF (>867)	Change provisions relating to care management units under the Nebraska Community Aging Services Act	14
LB653	Murman	S (+430)	Change provisions relating to acceptance of students under the enrollment option program and discipline of students under the Student Discipline Act	3, 7, 8
LB663	Storer	S	Require education for county attorneys, members of county planning commissions, and county board members and change provisions relating to conditional use or special exception zoning determinations and appeals	4, 7
LB668	Storer	S	Change provisions relating to the Adult Protective Services Central Registry and the Child Protection and Family Safety Act	3, 6
LB669	Storer	GF	Change requirements for voluntary and informed consent and civil actions relating to abortion	5
LB701	Spivey	GF (>958)	Provide for reimbursement of doula services by the Department of Health and Human Services	14
LB712	Hughes	GF	Change the tax on sales of electronic nicotine delivery systems	9
LB716	Executive Board	S	Revisor's bill to eliminate obsolete provisions and provisions that have terminated	
LB717	Jacobson	S	Adopt changes to federal law regarding banking and finance, change provisions relating to control of certain banks and trust companies, digital asset depository institutions, interest rates on certain loans, installment loans, mortgage loan originators, mortgage bankers, and the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act, and change references to the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act in the Controllable Electronic Record Fraud Prevention Act	4, 7
LB718	Jacobson	S	Change provisions relating to examination, permit issuance, and disciplinary actions regarding certified public accountants	3, 4, 7
LB719	Jacobson	S	Redefine a term under the Nebraska Rural Projects Act	
LB720	Quick	S	Create a temporary event license for body artists under the Uniform Credentialing Act	6, 9
LB721	Quick	S	Change provisions relating to eligibility for grants under the Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Grant Program	7, 14
LB722	Quick	S	Provide for use of the Behavioral Health Services Fund for individuals with substance use disorder	
LB723	Quick	C	Provide for implementation of community engagement requirements under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB724	Quick	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to conduct a cost study of behavioral health care rates	
LB725	Quick	GF (>889)	Change provisions of the State Electrical Act	14
LB726	Quick	C	Update references to the National Electrical Code in the State Electrical Act	
LB727	Kauth	S	Authorize law enforcement agencies to obtain, maintain, and possess epinephrine autoinjectors and nasal epinephrine for use by a law enforcement officer and require training	9, 14
LB728	Kauth	C	Require proxy advisors for companies to disclose whether a financial analysis was used for proxy services	
LB729	Kauth	W	Adopt the Biometric Autonomy Liberty Law	
LB730	Kauth	GF	Require schools and state agencies to designate restrooms and locker rooms based on sex and require state agencies to define an individual's sex as either male or female for purposes of rules and regulations, the enforcement of administrative actions, and adjudication of disputes	4
LB731	Kauth	C	Adopt the Gender Transition Malpractice Accountability Act, provide an exemption to the time limitation to commence certain actions relating to professional negligence, require insurance coverage for certain treatments and procedures arising as a result of a gender-altering procedure, and change provisions relating to civil actions under the Let Them Grow Act	
LB732	Kauth	GF	Change provisions relating to the ability of a health care practitioner to provide cross-sex hormones and puberty blockers under the Let Them Grow Act	4, 14
LB733	Riepe	C (>867)	Change the name of the Division of Developmental Disabilities to the Division of Disability and Aging within the Department of Health and Human Services	12, 14
LB734	Hunt	C	Change waiver of work requirements under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	8

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LB735	Rountree	C (>912)	Adopt the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact	3, 10, 14
LB736	Rountree	C (>912)	Adopt the Athletic Trainer Compact	10, 14
LB737	Rountree	S	Require a joint public hearing to evaluate the progress of the Olmstead plan for individuals with disabilities	7, 14
LB738	Rountree	C (>972)	Provide for Honoring Women Veterans license plates	3, 9, 14
LB739	Rountree	GF (>596)	Change notice requirements for a petition to change an individual's name	14
LB740	McKinney	C	Adopt the Housing First Supportive Services Act and require the Department of Health and Human Services to seek federal approval for coverage under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB741	McKinney	S	Change the membership of the Racial Profiling Advisory Committee and the Nebraska Children's Commission	
LB742	McKinney	C	Provide requirements relating to the participation of seventh and eighth grade students in high school sports	
LB743	Juarez	S	Change provisions relating to optional benefit forms under the Police Officers Retirement Act	14
LB744	Juarez	C	Include public safety communications personnel in certain provisions relating to first responders in the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act and the Critical Incident Stress Management Act	
LB745	Juarez	S	Change provisions relating to the requirements for a diploma of high school equivalency	6, 14
LB746	Hardin	C	Eliminate obsolete provisions of the Population Health Information Act	
LB747	Sorrentino	C (>847)	Change provisions relating to child labor, the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection Act, the Contractor Registration Act, and the Employee Classification Act	9, 12, 13
LB748	Sorrentino	S	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska educational savings plan trust and allow for the use of trust funds for recognized postsecondary credential programs	3, 6, 14
LB749	Sorrentino	S	Change provisions relating to the calculation of tax levies for state aid to municipalities	
LB750	Spivey	C	State legislative intent relating to reimbursement for PACE program services under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act	
LB751	Spivey	S	Require a study to improve reporting and investigation of missing Black women and children	3, 4, 8
LB752	Spivey	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Correctional Services	
LB753	Rountree	S	Provide for recognition and enforcement of military protective orders under the Protection Orders Act	
LB754	Wordekemper	GF	Change provisions relating to permits issued by the Nebraska State Patrol for the storage, use, or purchase of explosives and application requirements for display fireworks	
LB755	Wordekemper	C (>816)	Adopt the Emergency Service Peer Support Act	3, 6
LB756	Wordekemper	C	Change a motor vehicle tax exemption and a property tax exemption relating to certain disabled veterans	
LB757	von Gillern	GF	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for the purchase of an aircraft to be leased between related companies	
LB758	von Gillern	S	Change provisions relating to nontestamentary transfers on death, and evidence of ownership to obtain a certificate of title and provide a method for a beneficiary charitable organization to receive property or information	10, 14
LB759	Brandt	S (+760, 761, 1076)	Change fees and funding for solid waste management, water wells, livestock regulation, hazardous waste management, clean water regulation, and litter reduction and recycling, change membership of a board, provide penalties and enforcement provisions for geologic storage of carbon dioxide, provide for entry upon property for the Perkins County Canal, correct references to and change jurisdiction of the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment, and require local governments to regulate operation of swimming pools, recreation camps, and mobile home parks	7, 13
LB759A	Brandt	IPP (>1209)	Appropriation Bill	
LB760	Brandt	C (>759)	Change and eliminate provisions of the Environmental Safety Act	3, 7, 13
LB761	Brandt	C (>759)	Create a fund and change provisions relating to water well fees, use of funds, and powers and duties of the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment	3, 7, 13
LB762	Dungan	S	Require insurance coverage of pediatric autoimmune disorders	7, 13, 14
LB763	Holdcroft	C	Exempt certain gatherings of members of the Board of Parole from the Open Meetings Act	
LB764	Holdcroft	S	Provide for certain Department of Correctional Services employees to be law enforcement officers	
LB765	Holdcroft	C	Change provisions relating to elections for school district bonds and bonds issued by a joint entity that includes a Nebraska school district or educational service unit	
LB766	Holdcroft	W	Change and eliminate provisions relating to licensed racetrack enclosures, licenses and wagering on horseracing, assistance to problem gamblers, the Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling, the Charitable Gaming Division of the Department of Revenue, keno at licensed racetrack enclosures, and the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund	

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LB767	Holdcroft	C	Adopt the Certified Help Options in Claims Expertise for Veterans Act	3
LB768	Dover	S (+819, 1246)	Provide powers for the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority and change provisions relating to the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act, the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act, and the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act	9, 14
LB769	DeKay	C (>972)	Provide for University of Nebraska State Museum License Plates, provide duties to the Department of Motor Vehicles and the University of Nebraska, and create a fund	3, 9, 14
LB770	DeKay	C	Authorize fees for the collection of certain taxes of reclamation districts and county agricultural societies and change the distribution of the nameplate capacity tax	
LB771	Ballard	S	Change provisions relating to dynamic pricing used by transportation network companies	6, 8, 9
LB772	M. Cavanaugh	C	Eliminate provisions allowing certain transfers of funds	
LB773	Dungan	GF (>958)	Eliminate a sunset date and change provisions of the Nebraska Prenatal Plus Program	5, 14
LB774	M. Cavanaugh	W	Create the Rural Health Transformation Program Fund to be administered by the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB775	M. Cavanaugh	W	Create the Rural Health Transformation Program within the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB776	M. Cavanaugh	C	Provide a duty for each state agency to examine fees charged	
LB777	M. Cavanaugh	C (>958)	Provide for eligibility and reporting requirements under the medical assistance program	13, 14
LB778	Dungan	S	Change grant eligibility provisions under the Civic and Community Center Financing Act	7, 14
LB779	Conrad	C	Provide requirements for health care facilities and collection agencies relating to medical debt	7
LB780	Dungan	C	Require insurance coverage of eating disorders	
LB781	Ballard	S	Adopt updates to federal law relating to motor vehicles and motor carriers and change civil penalties against certain motor carriers	
LB782	Riepe	C	Change the percentage of the tax on gross proceeds submitted to the Department of Revenue under the Nebraska County and City Lottery Act	
LB783	Hallstrom	S	Adopt the Uniform Assignment for Benefit of Creditors Act and provide an exemption to the documentary stamp tax	
LB784	Hallstrom	S	Change residency requirements for sheriffs in certain counties, requirements for uniforms for sheriffs and deputies, and continuing education requirements for law enforcement officers	11, 14
LB785	Hallstrom	GF (>965)	Prohibit conduct involving mail receptacle keys and locks with the intent to defraud or deprive another of property	13, 14
LB786	Sanders	GF (>972)	Change provisions relating to Military Honor Plates under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, create a fund, provide for grants to certain needy service members, and provide duties to the Adjutant General	9, 14
LB787	Sanders	S	Change provisions relating to the Commission on Military and Veterans Affairs and eliminate provisions relating to veterans homes	10, 14
LB788	Bosn	S	Change the administrator of the Financial Fraud Victims' Reimbursement Fund from the Attorney General to the Nebraska State Patrol	11, 14
LB789	Bosn	C (>935)	Provide an exclusion from the hearsay rule for a statement offered against a party that wrongfully caused the declarant's unavailability	12, 13, 14
LB790	Bosn	C	Change sanctions available for substance abuse violations of parole	
LB791	Raybould	W	Provide a contribution limit for candidate and ballot question committees under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB792	Raybould	C (>903)	Eliminate an applicability provision of the Family Home Visitation Act	
LB793	Spivey	C	Change liability insurance and financial responsibility requirements relating to motor vehicles	
LB794	DeKay	S (+827)	Change and eliminate provisions relating to the Healthy Soils Task Force, require the Department of Agriculture to submit related documentation, and provide powers to natural resources districts regarding soil and water practices	
LB795	DeKay	S (+817)	Designate bromazepam as a controlled substance under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act, correct the spelling of certain controlled substances, and enhance penalties for certain controlled substance offenses involving fentanyl	7, 8
LB796	DeKay	GF (>912)	Change provisions relating to the practice of pharmacy	13, 14
LB797	Urban Affairs	S	Increase minimum bidding amount requirements for certain cities and villages	7, 14
LB798	Urban Affairs	S	Change provisions relating to the composition of the planning commission of a city of the second class or village and allow a city of the second class to elect council members by ward	7, 14
LB799	Urban Affairs	C (>1135)	Adopt the Service Contract Reporting Act	11, 13, 14
LB800	Urban Affairs	C	Adopt updates to building and energy codes	
LB801	Urban Affairs	C	Adopt updates to building and energy codes	
LB802	Revenue	C	Change individual income tax rates	
LB803	Revenue	S (+575, 882, 901, 938, 1116, 1154)	Adopt the First-Time Home Buyer Savings Account Act and change provisions relating to the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act, the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act, the Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking Service Providers Tax Credit Act, property tax valuation and levy procedures, homestead exemptions, and income taxes	13, 14
LB803A	von Gillern	S	Appropriation Bill	

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LB804	Lonowski	C	Provide confidential peer support counseling for law enforcement officers, emergency services personnel, and Nebraska National Guard personnel	3
LB805	Lonowski	C	Require insurance coverage for infant cranial helmets	
LB806	Ibach	C (>1165)	Provide for a grant to a city of the first class from the Site and Building Development Fund	
LB807	Ibach	S	Eliminate the Riparian Vegetation Management Task Force and provisions relating to grants and provide for grants relating to weed management from the Water Resources Cash Fund	5, 8
LB808	Ibach	C	Create a child care licensing pilot program under the Child Care Licensing Act	
LB809	Dover	C	Prohibit political subdivisions from enacting certain ordinances relating to landlords	
LB810	Dover	GF	Provide for a deputy director and eliminate notice requirements for cease and desist orders under the Nebraska Real Estate License Act	13
LB811	Dover	GF (>1135)	Change provisions relating to the municipalities that are authorized to form their own land banks under the Nebraska Municipal Land Bank Act	6, 13, 14
LB812	Bostar	C	Provide requirements for the Department of Health and Human Services relating to medicaid eligibility redeterminations and community engagement	
LB813	Bostar	GF (>921)	Change provisions relating to marketplace network contractors under the Employment Security Law	14
LB814	Brandt	C	Change provisions relating to the valuation of agricultural land and horticultural land	
LB815	Brandt	S	Provide for a tax on diesel fuels, change provisions relating to refunds for motor fuel taxes, the petroleum release remedial action fee, and the Motor Fuel Tax Enforcement and Collection Cash Fund, change and eliminate provisions of the Ethanol Development Act, and eliminate the Ethanol Production Incentive Cash Fund	12, 14
LB815A	Brandt	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB816	Storer	S (+755, 1084)	Provide privileges and immunities relating to peer support services communications by public safety personnel and change provisions relating to emergency protective custody	3, 6, 13
LB817	Storer	GF (>795)	Enhance penalties for certain controlled substance offenses involving fentanyl	7, 8
LB818	Storer	C (>965)	Change provisions relating to penalties for domestic assault and assault by strangulation or suffocation	13, 14
LB819	Hallstrom	GF (>768)	Change provisions of the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Act and the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act	9, 14
LB820	Neb. Retirement Systems	S (+433, 1102, 1103, 1166)	Change retirement provisions relating to approved identification documents, participation in certain retirement systems, state contributions, ex officio members of the Nebraska Investment Council, contributions by school districts, computation of tax withholdings, retirement allowances, cost-of-living adjustments, and the Nebraska State Patrol and change the title of the executive director of the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems	10, 13, 14
LB820A	Ballard	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB821	Neb. Retirement Systems	S	Eliminate certain verification requirements performed by the Public Employees Retirement Board and change duties of the board and the Nebraska Investment Council relating to retirement systems	
LB822	Neb. Retirement Systems	S	Rename the Police Officers Retirement Act as the Cities of the First Class Police Officers Retirement Act and change provisions of such act	6, 14
LB823	Wordekemper	S	Change provisions relating to burning permits and the statewide open burning ban	6, 14
LB824	Lonowski	S	Change provisions relating to termination of employment under the School Employees Retirement Act and the Class V School Employees Retirement Act	6, 13
LB825	Ballard	GF (>912)	Require training on domestic abuse for mental health practitioners under the Uniform Credentialing Act	3, 13, 14
LB826	DeKay	S	Change provisions relating to late applications for homestead exemptions	
LB827	DeKay	GF (>794)	Provide for natural resources districts to create soil and water programs	
LB828	DeKay	C (>1001)	Redefine a term relating to gift enterprises	6, 10
LB829	Lonowski	S	Change provisions relating to audit examinations by the Auditor of Public Accounts	
LB830	Lonowski	GF (>1048)	Change and eliminate provisions relating to the payment of state salaries, the use of deferred maintenance funds, and county payments for state institutions	
LB831	Hallstrom	C	Provide limitations and requirements for civil actions relating to exposure to ethylene oxide	
LB832	Hansen	C	Extend the prohibition of the addition of long-term care services and supports to the medicaid managed care program	
LB833	Kauth	C	Change provisions relating to instructional priorities and degree programs at state colleges	
LB834	Kauth	S (+1230)	Change provisions relating to county assessors, the Property Tax Administrator, real property assessments, taxes levied in counties, delinquent taxes owed to counties, remission of sales and use taxes, and mobile homes	7, 9, 14
LB835	Jacobson	S	Change and eliminate provisions relating to fees of the Secretary of State, notices of liens under the Uniform Federal Lien Registration Act and the Uniform State Tax Lien Registration and Enforcement Act, the central filing system, effective financing statements, the master lien list, and filed records under the Uniform Commercial Code	

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LB836	Jacobson	S	Change and eliminate provisions relating to charges for examination of financial institutions, levying assessments, fees, and costs on financial entities, and transfers from a fund	
LB837	Jacobson	GF (>838)	Provide for rounding of certain cash transaction amounts	9, 11, 14
LB838	Jacobson	S (+837, 875, 1063, 1118, 1119, 1160, 1174)	Change provisions relating to the financial exploitation of vulnerable or senior adults, rules and codes of procedure, decedents' estates, inheritance taxes, deceptive trade practices, the Age-Appropriate Online Design Code Act, the Equipment Business Regulation Act, the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act, and the Nebraska Uniform Trust Code and provide for rounding of certain cash transaction amounts	9, 11, 14
LB838A	Jacobson	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB839	Rountree	V	Change reporting requirements under the Municipal Density and Missing Middle Housing Act and provide requirements for projects under the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act	4, 8, 13, 14
LB840	Rountree	GF	Provide requirements for multifamily housing projects under the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act	4, 13, 14
LB841	Rountree	GF	Change provisions relating to special education services, parental consent, and hearings	
LB841A	Rountree	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB842	Rountree	GF (>1135)	Authorize certain municipal contracts and agreements relating to parking facilities	11, 14
LB843	Rountree	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to file a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program waiver for refugees and immigrants	
LB844	Rountree	C (>1072)	Provide for additional grants under the Site and Building Development Fund	10
LB845	Health & Human Services	C (>867)	Eliminate, rename, and change provisions relating to committees and councils administered by the Department of Health and Human Services	12, 14
LB846	Dungan	C	Change provisions relating to individual income tax deductions	
LB847	Kauth	S (>747, 864, 1015, 1044, 1173)	Adopt the Nebraska Registered Apprenticeship Act, change provisions relating to funds, child labor, the Business Innovation Act, the Contractor Registration Act, the Employee Classification Act, the Employment Security Law, and the Nebraska Wage Payment and Collection Act, and transfer administration of student internships to the Department of Labor	9, 12, 13
LB847A	Kauth	IPP (>1209)	Appropriation Bill	
LB848	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for exemption from sales tax for purchases of clothing, personal computers, and school supplies for a prescribed period	3
LB849	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide a sales and use tax exemption for over-the-counter drugs	
LB850	J. Cavanaugh	GF (>1114)	Authorize the use of economic development programs for certain construction or rehabilitation of housing in cities of the metropolitan class and cities of the primary class under the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act	11, 14
LB851	Dungan	C	Change income tax provisions relating to certain income or loss received from S-corporations and limited liability companies	
LB852	Spivey	S	Provide for the recapture of funding distributed from the Convention Center Support Fund to certain recipients	
LB853	Dungan	C	Provide an income tax adjustment related to certain federal tax deductions	
LB854	Hunt	C	Prohibit law enforcement officers from wearing facial coverings or disguises and require them to wear appropriate identification	8
LB855	McKinney	C	Adopt the Youth Early Intervention and Support Act	6
LB856	McKinney	C	Adopt the Community Reinvestment and Equity Act, establish an excise tax, and create a fund and a grant program	
LB857	Dungan	C	Change federal references related to taxation under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967	
LB858	Fredrickson	C (>1071)	Appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for federally qualified community health centers	10
LB859	Bostar	C (>965)	Provide for county conflict counsel to represent certain indigent persons when the public defender is unavailable	13
LB860	Bostar	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to create a program to provide behavioral health care services to individuals under twenty-one years of age	
LB861	Bostar	C (>441)	Require authorized building inspectors for inspections under the Building Construction Act and public access to certain building inspection records	
LB862	Prokop	C (>1072)	Change intent relating to appropriations under the Nebraska Reading Improvement Act	10
LB863	Prokop	C	Require the Department of Correctional Services to construct barriers around certain facilities near residential properties	
LB864	Prokop	C (>847)	Transfer administration of student internships from the Department of Economic Development to the Department of Labor	9, 12, 13
LB865	Prokop	C	Provide for exemption from sales tax for purchases of child care supplies, clothing, footwear, and school supplies for a prescribed period	3
LB866	Ballard	C	Change distribution of the Nebraska Opioid Recovery Trust Fund, create a fund, and provide for drug detection activities	

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LB867	Health & Human Services	S (+603, 733, 845, 959, 1143, 1144, 1217)	Change provisions relating to special needs trusts, fingerprints under the Uniform Credentialing Act, child care grants, the Title IV-D Division Customer Service Unit, eligibility for young adults in the bridge to independence program, licensed and self-funded insurers under the Medical Assistance Act, medicaid nursing facility rates, assistance to aged, blind, or disabled persons, and the state Commodity Supplemental Food program; provide for a money follows the person program for medicaid benefits, a youth afterschool eligibility letter for child care employment, use of wholesale drug distributor license fees for the prescription drug monitoring program, and maintenance of epinephrine by certain schools; change provisions of and rename the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Support Act, the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Advisory Council, the State Advisory Committee on Mental Health, the Division of Developmental Disabilities of the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Director of Developmental Disabilities; and eliminate provisions relating to divisions of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care Advisory Committee on Aging, the Maternal and Child Health and Public Health Work Fund, and an obsolete Nurse Licensure Compact	12, 14
LB867A LB868	Hardin DeKay	IPP (>1209) C	Appropriation Bill Provide an inheritance tax exemption relating to victims of homicide and change provisions relating to when certain inheritance taxes are due	
LB869 LB870	DeKay Andersen	GF (>596) C	Change provisions relating to notice requirements for property presumed abandoned Change residence requirements relating to tuition and fees at state postsecondary educational institutions	9, 14 4
LB871	Conrad	C	Increase and provide for inflation adjustments for amounts exempt from judicial enforcement and the homestead and exempt property allowances	
LB872	Conrad	C	Eliminate an income reduction for extraordinary dividends and certain capital gains for income tax purposes	
LB873	Hallstrom	GF (>901)	Provide for an excise tax on kratom products and change provisions of the Kratom Consumer Protection Act relating to adulterated products	11, 13
LB873A LB874	Hallstrom Hallstrom	GF GF	Appropriation Bill Enhance penalties for motor vehicle homicide and motor vehicle homicide of an unborn child caused by wireless communication device violations	
LB875	Hallstrom	GF (>838)	Amend the Equipment Business Regulation Act to change provisions relating to dealer agreements and the return of surplus repair parts	9, 11, 14
LB876	Hallstrom	C (>935)	Adopt the Immediate Protection from Abuse Act and change notice requirements under the Protection Orders Act	12, 13, 14
LB877	Hallstrom	S	Designate certain substances as controlled substances under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act	
LB878 LB879 LB880	Guereca Guereca Guereca	V C C	Require paid parental leave for state employees Adopt the Guest Worker Permit Act Prohibit residential landlords from prohibiting or charging extra fees for tenants' payments made by automated clearinghouse transfer	11, 14
LB881	Guereca	C	Require law enforcement agencies, jails, and the Nebraska State Patrol to receive approval prior to entering into agreements to enforce immigration law	
LB882	Andersen	GF (>803)	Change provisions relating to homestead exemptions for certain veterans and surviving spouses	13, 14
LB883	Andersen	S	Change provisions relating to the Civic and Community Center Financing Act and the Revitalize Rural Nebraska Grant Program	7, 14
LB884 LB885	Andersen Andersen	C (>1075) C	Change provisions relating to voter registration, ballots, and poll watchers and observers Allow the Governor to remove the state investment officer from office and eliminate the need for cause for removal of the state investment officer	12, 14
LB886	Andersen	C	Change provisions relating to operation of motor vehicles by persons who are not citizens of the United States	
LB887	Hallstrom	C (>912)	Change provisions relating to pharmacists and transfer of prescriptions and eliminate a report under the Parkinson's Disease Registry Act	10, 14
LB888	Clouse	S	Change enforcement provisions for violations of the Nebraska Uniform Standards for Modular Housing Units Act, the Uniform Standard Code for Manufactured Homes and Recreational Vehicles, and certain rules, regulations, and orders	
LB889	Clouse	S (+725)	Change a penalty and provisions regulating licensure and registration under the State Electrical Act	11, 14
LB890	Clouse	GF (>901)	Change provisions relating to fees and occupations taxes under the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act	13
LB891	Hansen	C (>912)	Change provisions of the Child Care Licensing Act relating to background checks, a complaint tracking system, and staff-to-child ratios	10, 14
LB892	Hansen	C (>912)	Change requirements relating to licensure of massage therapy establishments	10, 14

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LB893	Storm	C	Provide for an interpersonal relations training course as an alternative to the human relations training requirement for substitute teachers	
LB894	DeKay	S (+895)	Change provisions relating to the Grain Dealer Act and the Grain Warehouse Act	8, 14
LB895	DeKay	C (>894)	Change applicability, license requirements, and fees under the Grain Warehouse Act	8, 14
LB896	Lonowski	C (>596)	Change fees related to marriage licenses and records	9, 14
LB897	Lonowski	C	Change a penalty and provide a fee for violating the open burning ban	6
LB898	Lonowski	C (>596)	Change which political subdivisions may use virtual conferencing for meetings under the Open Meetings Act and change related requirements	9, 14
LB899	Lonowski	GF (>1212)	Change and eliminate provisions of the Engineers and Architects Regulation Act	14
LB900	Lonowski	S	Change provisions relating to fees, commissions, and mileage of county sheriffs for distress warrants issued for the collection of taxes	6, 14
LB901	Revenue	S (+873, 890, 920, 1109, 1110, 1131) (>803)	Adopt the Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking Service Providers Tax Credit Act, change provisions related to the confidentiality of shared information, the distribution of certain tax revenue, contracts between the Tax Commissioner and collection agencies, the collection and enforcement of delinquent income tax claims, the Imagine Nebraska Act, the Kratom Consumer Protection Act, the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act, and the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act, provide for fees, provide an excise tax on kratom, eliminate certain personal property and sales and use tax exemptions and a tax credit, and terminate the Department of Revenue Miscellaneous Receipts Fund	9, 11, 13, 14
LB901A	von Gillern	IPP (>1209)	Appropriation Bill	
LB902	Dungan	C	Adopt the Medical Standards for Incarcerated Individuals Act and provide powers and duties for the office of the Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System	
LB903	Storer	S (+792)	Provide for referrals for home visitation services and for early intervention services and eliminate a provision relating to the applicability of the Family Home Visitation Act	4, 7, 14
LB904	Arch	S	Change provisions relating to Chinese military companies under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB905	Arch	S	Change and eliminate provisions relating to boards, commissions, committees, task forces, and funds that terminate	12, 14
LB906	Juarez	C	Prohibit law enforcement officers from wearing facial coverings or disguises and require officers to wear appropriate identification	8
LB907	Juarez	C	Prohibit law enforcement officers from entering community safe spaces to enforce immigration law	
LB908	Storm	GF (>965)	Require courts to consider certain research in determining the best interests of the child under the Parenting Act	13, 14
LB909	Hardin	C	Prohibit sexual abuse by a law enforcement officer	
LB910	Hardin	C	Require defendants convicted of sexual offenses against children to pay a fee for electronic devices seized during prosecution	
LB911	Hardin	C	Provide requirements for licensed behavior analysts, certain child care licensing facilities, behavior analysis services under the Medical Assistance Act, and the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB912	Hardin	S (+735, 736, 796, 825, 887, 891, 892, 914, 936, 1012, 1211)	Adopt the Community Health Worker Training Endorsement Act, the Athletic Trainer Compact, and the Respiratory Care Interstate Compact, change provisions relating to child care licensing and the practice of athletic training, respiratory care, massage therapy, medical radiography, nurse practitioners, pharmacy, and pharmacists, provide for liens for physical therapy services and automated pickup kiosks for certain prescription medication, and eliminate provisions relating to physician liability for physician assistants	10, 13, 14
LB912A	Hardin	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB913	Guereca	S	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to appoint a dementia services coordinator	11, 14
LB914	Hardin	GF (>912)	Eliminate physician liability for negligence of physician assistants	13, 14
LB915	Lippincott	C (>1114)	Change the number of authorized inland port districts under the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act	11, 14
LB916	G. Meyer	C	Provide requirements for the transport of carbon dioxide and change provisions relating to eminent domain and the Nebraska Geologic Storage of Carbon Dioxide Act	4
LB917	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to the disposition of property by the University of Nebraska	
LB918	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to limitations on state assistance under the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	
LB919	Sanders	C (>596)	Allow for the use of durable accessible mediums for public records	9, 14
LB920	Spivey	C (>901)	Change provisions relating to the advertisement, operation, use, and taxation of cash devices, the distribution of tax proceeds, and violations under the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act and create the Nebraska Child Care Aid Fund	9

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LB921	Ibach	S (+308, 544, 813, 1170)	Adopt the Nebraska Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act and the Health Care Staffing Agency Registration Act and change provisions of the Employment Security Law, the In the Line of Duty Compensation Act, the Non-English-Speaking Workers Protection Act, and the State Miscellaneous Claims Act	4, 12, 14
LB922	Brandt	C (>972)	Change certain fees under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act	9, 14
LB923	Clouse	C (>596)	Change and eliminate provisions relating to county records	9, 14
LB924	Andersen	S	Change powers of learning community councils and authorized uses of learning community levies	
LB925	Andersen	C	Adopt the Safe Parks and Public Spaces Act	7
LB926	Andersen	GF	Change provisions relating to cash assistance under the Welfare Reform Act and transitional assistance under the aid to dependent children program	
LB927	Andersen	C (>1075)	Change provisions relating to the involvement of foreign nationals with funding and organization of ballot question committees	12, 14
LB928	von Gillern	C	Require notifications by the Department of Health and Human Services to fictive kin of a child who has been removed from the home	
LB929	Fredrickson	V	Provide for managed care organizations to pay the deductible, cost sharing, or similar charges on behalf of medicaid enrollees	13, 14
LB930	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide an income tax deduction to retired firefighters and law enforcement officers for annual retirement benefits	
LB931	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide an income tax credit related to premium payments for a qualified health plan	
LB932	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide an income tax adjustment for tip income and income received from overtime compensation	
LB933	J. Cavanaugh	SF	Provide immunity for health care practitioners under the Nebraska Medical Cannabis Patient Protection Act	11, 14
LB934	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide for the election of members of the Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission	5
LB935	Bosn	S (+789, 876, 978, 1020, 1139, 1199, 1228)	Provide for court fees; change provisions relating to incentives for rural legal practice, protection orders, hearsay, sentencing, support order liens, and paternity proceedings; provide for no-contact periods for victims of certain assaults and civil actions for conduct relating to prohibited content or child exploitation devices; and provide for and change offenses involving mobile tracking devices, stalking, unlawful intrusion, operation of unmanned aircraft systems, and swatting	12, 13, 14
LB936	Ballard	GF (>912)	Provide for the use of fluoroscopy by medical radiographers in collaboration with nurse practitioners under the Uniform Credentialing Act	10, 14
LB937	Education	S (+417, 599, 1146, 1164, 1224, 1241, 1243)	Adopt the Prior Learning Act and the K-12 Education Cybersecurity Act and change provisions relating to student transfers, school absences, option enrollment, extracurricular activities, reports, school employment, the improvement grant program, monitoring or providing instruction, deadlines, the Nebraska Teacher Apprenticeship Program, the Nebraska Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act, and the College Pathway Program Act	11, 14
LB937A	Murman	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB938	Hallstrom	GF (>803)	Adopt the First-Time Home Buyer Savings Account Act and provide for income tax adjustments	13, 14
LB939	Murman	C	Adopt the Saving Human Connection Act	
LB940	Murman	S	Prohibit certain color additives in school meals	
LB941	Lippincott	C	Exclude certain franchisors from being considered employers under certain labor laws	
LB942	Riepe	C	Provide requirements for medicaid reimbursement for emergency medical conditions and inpatient services under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB943	Dorn	C	Provide immunity from claims of public or private nuisance for motor vehicle racing facilities	
LB944	Dorn	C	Require direct reimbursement to certain facilities for hospice care services under the Medical Assistance Act	7
LB945	Dorn	C	Change provisions relating to the use of the Hospital Quality Assurance and Access Assessment Fund	
LB946	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for medicaid assisted-living facilities	
LB947	Agriculture	C (>948)	Change fees under the Plant Protection and Plant Pest Act and the Pesticide Act, change provisions relating to the Weeds of the Great Plains book, and change, eliminate, and terminate certain funds	7, 10
LB948	Agriculture	S (+947)	Change provisions of the Plant Protection and Plant Pest Act, change fees under the Pesticide Act, rename and change provisions of the Nebraska Commercial Fertilizer and Soil Conditioner Act, eliminate the Nebraska Poultry and Egg Resources Act, terminate a fund, and eliminate provisions relating to certain associations and societies	7, 9, 10
LB949	Ballard	C	Change provisions relating to the prescription drug monitoring program, the statewide health information exchange, and the Health Information Technology Board	
LB950	Bostar	GF (>967)	Change provisions relating to uniform prior authorization forms, the designated health information exchange, and the Health Information Technology Board	

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LB951	Ballard	C	Include extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction in municipal elections and districts	3
LB952	Dorn	S	Create the Supreme Court Operations Cash Fund and terminate the Supreme Court Reports Cash Fund and the Court Appointed Special Advocate Fund	
LB953	von Gillern	GF (>967)	Change provisions related to eligible activities for and requirements for assistance from the Site and Building Development Fund	
LB954	von Gillern	S	Provide for the recalculation of certain base-year employees under the Nebraska Advantage Act	7, 14
LB955	Hardin	S	Provide for practice agreements between pharmacists and physician assistants	
LB956	J. Cavanaugh	S	Provide for the collection of postsecondary institution compensation data	
LB957	J. Cavanaugh	C	Provide a cause of action against certain adults for allowing a minor to possess a handgun and create an offense of leaving a loaded firearm in a location accessible to a minor	6
LB958	M. Cavanaugh	S (+701, 773, 777, 1033)	Provide for implementation of a home and community-based services waiver, retroactive coverage of certain benefits, and reimbursement of doula services and change reporting requirements under the Medical Assistance Act, change provisions relating to the Nebraska Prenatal Plus Program, and provide limits for crisis assistance payments under the low-income home energy assistance program	13, 14
LB958A	M. Cavanaugh	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB959	Riepe	GF (>867)	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to create a youth afterschool credential and an adult eligibility passport under the Child Care Licensing Act	12, 14
LB960	McKinney	GF	Provide a requirement to include nonvoting student members on school boards	
LB961	McKinney	C	Adopt the Collateral Sanction Relief Act	
LB962	McKinney	S	Adopt the Youth Reentry and Transitional Support Act	13, 14
LB962A	McKinney	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB963	McKinney	C	Prohibit agreements by state agencies relating to immigration enforcement without legislative approval and change provisions relating to the use of state prisons	
LB964	Bostar	C	Adopt the Nebraska Public Property Disclosure Act	
LB965	Bostar	S (+785, 818, 859, 908, 1000, 1123)	Prohibit sexual abuse of a probationer or problem solving court participant and sexual abuse by a conservator, guardian, guardian ad litem, or child welfare service provider; change provisions relating to protection orders, certain offenses, attorney's fees, and victim notification requirements; and provide requirements for immunity for probation employees, Brady-Giglio disclosures, confidentiality for certain officers, registration under the Sex Offender Registration Act, county conflict counsel, and determinations of the best interest of the child	13, 14
LB966	M. Cavanaugh	S	Adopt the Hunger-Free Schools Act and provide for an appropriation	7, 13, 14
LB967	Jacobson	S (+950, 953, 1062, 1138, 1157)	Change provisions relating to insurance fees, licensing, and trade practices, pharmacy benefit managers, mutual insurance holding companies, the Population Health Information Act, the Health Information Technology Board, and the Site and Building Development Act and adopt the Nebraska Protection of Seniors from Insurance Exploitation Act	
LB968	Prokop	C	Appropriate funds to the Military Department for grants for equipment for emergency events	
LB969	Hallstrom	C (>1075)	Establish a database of financial information from counties and municipalities	12, 14
LB970	Guereca	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to submit a state plan amendment to include a program of early literacy promotion and intervention in well-child visits under the early and periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment services program	
LB971	Guereca	C	Require insurance coverage for rescue and maintenance asthma inhalers	8
LB972	Fredrickson	S (+738, 769, 786, 922, 1005, 1092, 1099, 1104, 1121)	Adopt the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act and change provisions relating to parking spaces for handicapped or disabled persons, certain license revocations, the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road, and the State Boat Act	9, 13, 14
LB972A	Fredrickson	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB973	Raybould	C	Provide for free parking for state employees	
LB974	Conrad	C	Provide for an excise tax on individual incomes and create the Tax Equity Cash Fund	
LB975	Conrad	C	Adopt the Private Attorney Retention Sunshine Act	
LB976	Andersen	C (>1114)	Change provisions relating to sanitary and improvement districts	11, 14
LB977	Storer	S	Provide requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road for motorists and electric personal assistive mobility device operators encountering certain animals being led, herded, or driven on or along highways	
LB978	Storer	C (>935)	Provide for civil actions for conduct relating to obscene material, child sexual abuse material, and child sexual exploitation devices	7, 12, 13, 14
LB979	Brandt	S (+1232)	Change provisions of the Game Law and the State Boat Act	6, 9, 14

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LB980	Bosn	C	Change provisions of the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act relating to waivers of jury trials and summonses and provide for summary judgment and expedited proceedings	
LB981	Urban Affairs	C (>1114)	Provide powers to cities of the metropolitan class to regulate housing authorities and change provisions of the Nebraska Housing Agency Act	11, 14
LB982	DeBoer	C	Appropriate funds to the Public Service Commission for the Broadband Bridge Program	
LB983	DeBoer	GF	Change civil procedure provisions relating to third-party practice and deposition subpoenas	
LB984	DeBoer	C	Require both parties to be eighteen years of age or older for a marriage license	
LB985	DeBoer	S (+1178)	Change provisions relating to guardians and conservators	4, 9, 14
LB986	Bostar	S	Allow expenditure of campaign funds for security services and systems under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	5, 12, 14
LB987	Lonowski	C	Adopt the Vision Benefit Plan Act	
LB988	G. Meyer	C	Change provisions of the Community Development Law	
LB989	Sanders	C	Appropriate funds to the Military Department for the Nebraska Nonprofit Security Grant Program	
LB990	Dover	C	Rename the School District Property Tax Relief Act as the Live Here Thrive Here Act and the School District Property Tax Relief Credit Fund as the Live Here Thrive Here Credit Fund and change the distribution of property tax credits under the act	
LB991	Dover	C	Provide for stop-signal-arm camera systems on school buses and authorize the use of such systems for enforcement of certain violations under the Nebraska Rules of the Road	
LB992	Dover	C (>1072)	State intent regarding appropriations	10
LB993	McKinney	C	Provide a cause of action for deprivation of constitutional rights by a law enforcement officer, eliminate the defense of qualified immunity as prescribed, and change provisions of the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act and State Tort Claims Act	
LB994	McKinney	GF	Change provisions of the Nebraska Treatment and Corrections Act relating to good time and parole eligibility	
LB995	Rountree	C	Require appointment of counsel for juveniles and provide duties for juvenile courts	
LB996	Rountree	C	Prohibit the use of shackling or restraints on juveniles	
LB997	Andersen	GF (>1048)	Change provisions relating to emergency contracts in the State Procurement Act	5
LB998	Andersen	S	Change provisions relating to the state income tax deduction for members of the Nebraska National Guard	
LB999	Spivey	C	Adopt the Business Innovation and Startup Commission Act	
LB1000	Prokop	C (>965)	Change penalties for violations of domestic abuse and sexual assault protection orders	13, 14
LB1001	General Affairs	S (+828, 1047, 1120)	Change and eliminate provisions relating to licensed racetrack enclosures, licenses and wagering on horseracing, assistance to problem gamblers, bingo, lotteries, raffles, gift enterprises, the Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling, the Charitable Gaming Division of the Department of Revenue, keno at licensed racetrack enclosures, and the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund	6, 9, 10
LB1001A	Holdcroft	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1002	M. Cavanaugh	C (>1075)	Change provisions relating to filings under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	12, 14
LB1003	G. Meyer	C	Adopt the Renewable Energy Consumer Protection Act and provide a deceptive trade practice	
LB1004	Clouse	GF	Change the regulation of nonalcoholic beer under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB1005	Clouse	GF (>972)	Provide for the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles between sunset and sunrise under the Nebraska Rules of the Road	13, 14
LB1006	Guereca	C	Adopt the Protecting Consumers and Jobs from Predatory Pricing Act	
LB1007	Dungan	C	Prohibit a landlord from keeping a security deposit when a rental agreement is not signed and prohibit nondisclosure terms in rental agreements	
LB1008	Brandt	C	Change provisions relating to the amount of relief granted under the School District Property Tax Relief Act	
LB1009	Dungan	C	Change provisions relating to the date when compensation begins under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	8
LB1010	Brandt	S (+1064, 1111, 1193)	Adopt the Large Load Customer Regulation Act, provide for eminent domain relating to energy storage and regulation and taxation of energy storage resources, and change provisions relating to cryptocurrency mining operations and data centers	10, 13, 14
LB1011	Dungan	C	Change provisions relating to compensation for temporary disability under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	8
LB1012	Hansen	GF (>912)	Provide for a lien for professional services rendered by a physical therapist	10, 14
LB1013	Hansen	C	Change and eliminate provisions relating to names of state institutions and requirements relating to gender at youth rehabilitation and treatment centers	12
LB1014	Spivey	C	Change provisions relating to notice under the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Act and require the Secretary of State to create a web page and charge a fee for electronic publication of notices under the act	

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LB1015	Ibach	C (>847)	Redefine a term and change provisions relating to the combined tax and the state unemployment insurance tax rate under the Employment Security Law and change provisions relating to the Business Innovation Act	9, 12, 13
LB1016	Raybould	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to submit a demonstration project waiver for traditional healing services	
LB1017	Raybould	C	Provide a limit on contributions made to a candidate committee under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB1018	Raybould	GF	Change provisions relating to prohibited expenditures by committees under the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act	
LB1019	Dorn	GF	Provide immunity from prosecution for trespass for county assessors	8
LB1020	Bostar	C (>935)	Provide for and change offenses involving mobile tracking devices, stalking, unlawful intrusion, operation of unmanned aircraft systems, and swatting and eliminate the requirement that courts impose probation for Class IV felonies	12, 13, 14
LB1021	Ibach	C	Change provisions related to penalties, proceeds, and distributed revenue of the nameplate capacity tax	
LB1022	Murman	S	Eliminate the human relations training requirement for obtaining a Nebraska substitute teacher's certificate	6, 14
LB1023	Murman	C	Eliminate the sales and use tax exemption for zoo and aquarium admissions	
LB1024	Murman	C	Require school districts and the State Board of Education to provide for instruction on the history of communism	
LB1025	Bosn	C	Provide for an excise tax on certain social media platform businesses	
LB1026	Storm	C	Prohibit retirement, shutdown, cessation of operation, and alteration of operation of certain energy generation facilities	
LB1027	Storm	C	Eliminate certain exemptions applicable to privately developed renewable energy generation facilities and change requirements for the construction of privately developed renewable energy generation facilities	
LB1028	Juarez	C	Provide requirements for nutrient management plans and the application of livestock waste or litter	
LB1029	Conrad	V	Redefine terms relating to reportable funding from a foreign adversarial source for colleges and universities	
LB1030	Dorn	C	Appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development for state aid to development districts	
LB1031	Dorn	C	Require appropriations from the Hospital Quality Assurance and Access Assessment Fund and state intent regarding medicaid rates for mental health providers	
LB1032	DeBoer	S	Provide for recognition and enforcement of tribal customary adoptions under the Nebraska Indian Child Welfare Act and related laws	13, 14
LB1032A	DeBoer	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB1033	Spivey	GF (>958)	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to make crisis assistance payments under the low-income home energy assistance program	14
LB1034	Dungan	C	Prohibit school staff from allowing federal immigration enforcement officers to access schools without a judicial warrant	
LB1035	M. Cavanaugh	C	Change and provide limitations on the rating system an insurer can file under the Property Casualty Insurance Rate and Form Act	
LB1036	Dungan	C	Change Nebraska Evidence Rules to provide for consideration of evidence of other crimes, wrongs, or acts as prescribed	
LB1037	Raybould	C	Change provisions relating to negotiations and agreements between the Governor and federally recognized Indian Tribes relating to the collection and dissemination of any cigarette tax or certain other tobacco products tax collected on sales of such products made or sold on a federal recognized Indian tribe's Indian country	
LB1038	Hughes	C	Change provisions relating to school funding and property taxes	5
LB1039	Dungan	C	Prohibit school resource officers and security guards from using corporal punishment	
LB1040	Kauth	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Mental Health Commitment Act relating to grounds for civil commitment and inpatient treatment and allow for interested parties to file petitions	8
LB1041	Rountree	GF	Provide requirements for cities, villages, and counties relating to accessory dwelling units	13, 14
LB1042	Rountree	C	Change provisions of the Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Insurance Coverage Act relating to stacking of coverage	
LB1043	G. Meyer	C	Include prescription antidepressants, antipsychotics, and anticonvulsants on the preferred drug list under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB1044	Prokop	GF (>847)	Change provisions of the Business Innovation Act	9, 12, 13
LB1045	McKinney	C	Adopt the Nebraska Public Housing Preservation Trust Act	
LB1046	McKinney	C	Require school policies relating to name, image, and likeness rights for high school students	
LB1047	Holdcroft	C (>1001)	Authorize music bingo under the Nebraska Bingo Act and change provisions relating to special event bingo and prizes that can be awarded under the act	4, 6, 10

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LB1048	Arch	S (+830, 997)	Change and eliminate reporting requirements involving certain government agencies and preparation of the state executive budget, require the provision of copies of certain contracts to the Auditor of Public Accounts, and eliminate the Suggestion Award Board and the state employee suggestion system	
LB1049	Ibach	C	Require the Legislative Fiscal Analyst to prepare economic impact reports for regulatory actions	
LB1050	Murman	SF	Provide requirements for dyslexia screening and limit advancement to grade four under the Nebraska Reading Improvement Act	4, 12, 14
LB1050A	Murman	SF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1051	Education	C	Change a definition relating to the University of Nebraska	
LB1052	Education	C	Change terminology relating to the Student Discipline Act	
LB1053	Education	C	Eliminate the prohibition regarding suspending a student that is in prekindergarten through second grade	3
LB1054	DeBoer	C	Appropriate funds to the State Department of Education for grants for cybersecurity products and services	
LB1055	DeBoer	S	Provide training requirements for an adult protective services official under the Adult Protective Services Act	11, 14
LB1056	Conrad	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act	
LB1057	Ballard	S	Redefine adult day service under the Health Care Facility Licensure Act	
LB1058	Hallstrom	GF (>1071)	Provide for an additional grant under the Nebraska Visitors Development Act and state intent relating to funding	10
LB1059	Bosn	C	Prohibit certain conduct relating to mobile tracking devices and change penalties for stalking	
LB1060	Murman	C	Adopt the Child Placement Services Preservation Act	8
LB1061	Murman	C	Change residence requirements relating to tuition and fees at state postsecondary educational institutions	4
LB1062	Bostar	GF (>967)	Change provisions relating to the Insurance Producers Licensing Act and the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure and Regulation Act	
LB1063	Bostar	GF (>838)	Change provisions relating to applicants and licensees under the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act and prohibit money transmission by foreign adversary persons	9, 11, 14
LB1064	Bostar	C (>1010)	Adopt the Large Load Customer Regulation Act	10, 14
LB1065	Executive Board	C (>1236)	Change provisions regarding the publication and distribution of the Constitution of Nebraska	
LB1066	Fredrickson	C	Require members of the Legislature to complete a civics assessment	
LB1067	Hallstrom	S	Change provisions relating to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, the rate and disbursement of the documentary stamp tax, the Rural Workforce Housing Investment Fund, and the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Fund	4, 10, 14
LB1068	Storm	C	Change requirements for petition circulators and sponsors under the Election Act	5
LB1069	Dover	C	Require emergency care providers to submit claims to third-party payors	
LB1070	Dover	C (>1071)	Change appropriations to the Department of Economic Development	10
LB1071	Speaker Arch	S (+858, 1058, 1070, 1140, 1190, 1248)	Provide, change, and eliminate provisions related to appropriations for the expenses of Nebraska State Government for the biennium ending June 30, 2027	5, 10, 11, 12, 13
LB1072	Speaker Arch	S (+844, 862, 992, 1229, 1231)	Provide for and change transfers from the Cash Reserve Fund and provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to fees, funds, fund transfers, agency powers and duties, and various statutory programs	5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13
LB1073	Bosn	C (>1126)	Require commercial motor vehicle driver training to include antitrafficking training	11, 14
LB1074	Sanders	GF (>1075)	Change provisions relating to unclaimed property proceeds and funds and a statute of limitations	12, 14
LB1075	Sanders	S (+884, 927, 969, 1002, 1074)	Provide for a database of county and municipal financial information and requirements for village warrants and vacancies in a village board, change provisions of the Election Act, the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act, and the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act, and eliminate provisions relating to initiative and referendum petitions	12, 14
LB1075A	Sanders	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1076	Brandt	C (>759)	Change penalty provisions relating to the Nebraska Geologic Storage of Carbon Dioxide Act	7, 13, 14
LB1077	Brandt	C (>455)	Change provisions relating to workers' compensation insurance policies and deductibles	14
LB1078	Dungan	C	Adopt the Fair Online Pricing Act	
LB1079	von Gillern	C	Change provisions relating to the habitual criminal enhancement for theft offenses	
LB1080	DeBoer	C	Provide for use of unsworn declarations in civil proceedings, change related criminal provisions, and change provisions of the Uniform Unsworn Foreign Declarations Act	

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LB1081	G. Meyer	C	Require state agencies and political subdivisions to purchase flags made in the United States	
LB1082	Storer	C	Provide a duty for telecommunications companies under the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act	
LB1083	Storer	GF	Adopt the Transparency in Artificial Intelligence Risk Management Act, create a fund, and change provisions relating to records which may be withheld from the public	6
LB1084	Storer	GF (>816)	Change provisions relating to persons taken into emergency protective custody	13
LB1085	Clouse	C (>1235)	Change provisions relating to retail, bottle club, craft brewery, and microdistillery licenses, Nebraska Liquor Control Commission powers and duties, and penalties for violations under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	9, 13
LB1086	Dover	S	Change eligibility requirements for community college gap assistance	
LB1087	Arch	S	Create the Nebraska-Ireland Commission	11, 14
LB1088	Raybould	C	Require persons convicted of misdemeanor crimes of domestic violence or subject to domestic abuse protection orders to surrender firearms for a period of time	
LB1089	Hughes	GF	Change enforcement provisions of the Nebraska Healthy Families and Workplaces Act	6, 12
LB1090	Murman	C	Provide requirements for petition circulators and provide a penalty	
LB1091	Bostar	S	Provide requirements for the Department of Health and Human Services for long-term care clients with special needs under the medical assistance program	12, 14
LB1092	Bostar	GF (>972)	Provide for Back the Blue License Plates and Iconic-Design License Plates	13, 14
LB1093	Ballard	C	Redefine excavation under the One-Call Notification System Act	
LB1094	Ballard	C	Adopt the By-Right Housing Development Act and the Permitting Approval Timeliness Act	
LB1095	Andersen	C	Change provisions relating to the duties of the Nebraska Investment Council, the state investment officer, and the State Treasurer	
LB1096	Bostar	S	Adopt the Preventing Lethal Agricultural and National Threats Act, create restrictions on contracts with foreign principals, authorize the withholding of records, and provide civil penalties	13, 14
LB1096A	Bostar	IPP	Appropriation Bill	
LB1097	Conrad	C	Adopt the State and Political Subdivisions Sexual Abuse Liability Act	6
LB1098	Juarez	C	Adopt the State Rail Plan Act	
LB1099	Hansen	GF (>972)	Provide for Husker Red License Plates	9, 14
LB1100	Sorrentino	GF	Modernize language in a civil procedure statute	
LB1101	Neb. Retirement Systems	S	Change provisions of the Judges Retirement Act	9, 13
LB1101A	Ballard	IPP (>1209)	Appropriation Bill	
LB1102	Ballard	GF (>820)	Provide requirements for monthly payments of retirement allowances and change when certain cost-of-living adjustments occur under the Class V School Employees Retirement Act	10, 14
LB1103	Bostar	GF (>820)	Change the mandatory retirement age and provisions relating to deferred retirement option plans under the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act	10, 14
LB1104	Dover	C (>972)	Provide for certain determinations relating to the avoidance of motor vehicle taxes and fees under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act	9, 14
LB1105	Dover	C	State intent regarding appropriations	
LB1106	Prokop	C	Provide for transfers of funds from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund to the Patient Safety Cash Fund	
LB1107	G. Meyer	C (>1126)	Change provisions of the Rural Road Improvement District Act	11, 14
LB1108	Clouse	S	Change provisions related to contracts entered into by and bidding requirements and exceptions for joint entities and public power districts	
LB1109	von Gillern	GF (>901)	Eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions and a renewable energy tax credit and change provisions relating to the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act and the Imagine Nebraska Act	5, 9, 13
LB1110	von Gillern	GF (>901)	Change provisions related to the distribution of certain tax revenue, confidentiality of shared information, contracts between the Tax Commissioner and collection agencies, and the collection and enforcement of delinquent income tax claims and provide for fees	9, 13
LB1110A	von Gillern	GF	Appropriation Bill	
LB1111	M. Cavanaugh	C (>1010)	Require an annual data center load report to the Nebraska Power Review Board, provide powers and duties for public power suppliers, allow and require regulation of data centers, and change provisions relating to regulation of cryptocurrency mining operations	10, 13, 14
LB1112	McKinney	C	Adopt the Statewide Standardized Grading System Act	
LB1113	Urban Affairs	C	Change provisions relating to certain notices under the Community Development Law	
LB1114	Urban Affairs	S (+850, 915, 976, 981, 1129, 1130, 1152)	Adopt the Community Improvement District Act and the New Taxpayer Recruitment Grant Act, authorize community improvement districts to levy property taxes, and change provisions related to the Community Development Law, the Municipal Inland Port Authority Act, extraterritorial jurisdiction, sanitary and improvement districts, housing authorities, housing agencies, the Nebraska Housing Agency Act, and the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act	11, 14

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LB1115	Storer	C	Exempt microbreweries from certain distribution agreement requirements between beer suppliers and wholesalers	
LB1116	Ibach	GF (>803)	Change provisions relating to the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act	13, 14
LB1117	Ibach	C	Change provisions relating to tuition waivers and provide for reimbursement to postsecondary institutions	
LB1118	Bosn	GF (>838)	Classify certain actions by a social media platform as deceptive trade practices under the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act	6, 9, 11, 14
LB1119	Bosn	GF (>838)	Change provisions relating to the collection and use of personal data and provide additional duties and prohibitions for a covered online service under the Age-Appropriate Online Design Code Act	9, 11, 14
LB1120	Hansen	GF (>1001)	Authorize a progressive jackpot form of lottery and raffle under the Nebraska Lottery and Raffle Act and the Nebraska Small Lottery and Raffle Act	8, 10
LB1121	Ballard	C (>972)	Adopt the Recreational Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, change provisions of the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act, and change provisions relating to recreational vehicles	6, 9, 13, 14
LB1122	Bostar	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1123	Bostar	C (>965)	Provide requirements relating to Brady-Giglio lists, protections for certain officers, and duties for prosecuting agencies and public safety agencies, and change the penalty for impersonating a peace officer	13, 14
LB1124	Sorrentino	GF	Increase the cigarette tax and state intent and change provisions relating to the distribution of cigarette tax proceeds	9
LB1125	Sorrentino	C	Require legislative approval of certain University of Nebraska contracts and restrict ownership of certain facilities	
LB1126	Moser	S (+576, 1073, 1107, 1180)	Adopt the Infrastructure Development Investment Program Act and change and eliminate provisions relating to the Rural Road Improvement District Act, the Political Subdivisions Construction Alternatives Act, the Transportation Innovation Act, the Motor Vehicle Safety Responsibility Act, the Nebraska Rules of the Road, intrastate medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services, and wireless service surcharges	5, 11, 14
LB1126A	Moser	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1127	Dover	S	Provide for hangtag permits for motor vehicles under the Game Law	
LB1127A	Dover	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1128	Dover	C (>1235)	Change provisions relating to entertainment district licenses under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	9, 13
LB1129	Dover	GF (>1114)	Change provisions of the Community Development Law	11, 14
LB1130	Jacobson	C (>1114)	Adopt the Community Improvement District Act	11, 14
LB1131	Bostar	GF (>901)	Adopt the Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking Service Providers Tax Credit Act and eliminate personal property tax and sales and use tax exemptions relating to data centers	9, 13, 14
LB1132	Fredrickson	C	Require the Department of Health and Human Services to file a state plan amendment for coverage of long-acting injectable and extended-release medications for certain individuals	
LB1133	Kauth	S	Provide for payment of claims against the state	10, 11, 13
LB1134	Kauth	C	Change and provide limitations on updates to state and local building codes, electrical codes, and energy codes	
LB1135	Urban Affairs	S (+799, 811, 842, 1163, 1168, 1250)	Adopt the Service Contract Reporting Act, authorize municipalities to contract regarding parking facilities, change provisions of the Community Development Law, the Nebraska Municipal Land Bank Act, and the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act, and provide for the sale of certain waterworks, sewer systems, and water systems to Indian tribes	11, 13, 14
LB1136	Dungan	C	Require political subdivisions to identify authorized recipients of tort claims filed under the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act	
LB1137	Ballard	C	Change provisions relating to residential contracts, notice of cancelations, prohibited acts, and post-loss assignment of rights or benefits under the Insured Homeowners Protection Act, licenses, contracts, prohibited acts, and fees under the Public Adjusters Licensing Act, and penalties relating to fraudulent insurance acts	
LB1138	Hallstrom	GF (>967)	Adopt the Nebraska Protection of Seniors from Insurance Exploitation Act	
LB1139	Hallstrom	C (>935)	Change provisions relating to liens arising from child and spousal support orders	12, 13, 14
LB1140	Spivey	C (>1071)	Provide for distribution of appropriations to the State Department of Education for a pilot program in a city of the metropolitan class	10
LB1141	Spivey	C	Create the Nebraska Youth Pre-Apprentice Conservation Program, provide powers and duties to the Game and Parks Commission, and transfer funds from the Workforce Development Program Cash Fund	
LB1142	Hardin	C	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Visitors Development Act	
LB1143	Hardin	GF (>867)	Change provisions relating to nursing facility rates and establish a money follows the person program under the Medical Assistance Act	6, 12, 14

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LB1144	Hardin	C (>867)	Redefine a term and provide requirements for entities issuing health plans under the Medical Assistance Act	12, 14
LB1145	Lonowski	C (>596)	Change provisions relating to notice requirements for a meeting of a public body under the Open Meetings Act	9, 14
LB1146	Conrad	GF (>937)	Change provisions relating to reports by a school district relating to absences of a child from school	11, 14
LB1147	Conrad	C	Require the Auditor of Public Accounts to investigate impoundment of funds by the Governor and submit a quarterly report	
LB1148	Hunt	C	Provide for recognition and enforcement of parentage of children conceived by assisted reproduction	
LB1149	Hunt	C	Require disclosure of proposed state agency contracts with private entities that have contracts with United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement	
LB1150	Hunt	C	Prohibit the approval of certain applications under the Imagine Nebraska Act	
LB1151	Clouse	C	Provide for a regional craft brewery license under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	
LB1152	Ballard	GF (>1114)	Adopt the New Taxpayer Recruitment Grant Act	14
LB1153	Conrad	C	Change provisions relating to recovery under the Consumer Protection Act, provide a termination date for the State Settlement Cash Fund and for distribution of money in the fund, and change provisions relating to the State Settlement Trust Fund	
LB1154	Riepe	GF (>803)	Change provisions relating to the calculation of property tax request authority under the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act	13, 14
LB1155	Dorn	S	Change provisions relating to legislative oversight	9, 14
LB1156	Spivey	W	Adopt the Disinvested Community Development Incentive Tax Credit Act	
LB1157	Hansen	GF (>967)	Provide payment method requirements for health insurers, health insurer vendors, and care management organizations	
LB1158	DeBoer	C	Change provisions relating to certain motor carriers	
LB1159	Lonowski	GF (>596)	Require the naming of a person to the Nebraska Hall of Fame	8, 9, 13, 14
LB1160	Hallstrom	GF (>838)	Change provisions relating to civil procedure, decedents' estates, trusts, and inheritance taxes	9, 11, 14
LB1161	Juarez	C	Change provisions relating to the age of majority	
LB1162	Ballard	GF	Change powers and duties of the Public Service Commission relating to railroad safety	
LB1163	Fredrickson	C (>1135)	Change provisions relating to the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act	11, 14
LB1164	Lonowski	GF (>937)	Adopt the Prior Learning Act	5, 11, 14
LB1165	von Gillern	S (+806, 1191, 1192)	Adopt the Grow the Good Life Act, provide an income tax credit, change provisions relating to the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act, the Imagine Nebraska Act, the Nebraska Advantage Act, and the Site and Building Development Act, and create grant programs to help employers retain or attract employees and to assist cities of the first class impacted by private entity closure or downsizing	8, 12, 14
LB1165A	von Gillern	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1166	Juarez	GF (>820)	Change applicability of the employee contribution rate under the School Employees Retirement Act	10, 14
LB1167	Dorn	C	State intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Economic Development	
LB1168	Wordekemper	C (>1135)	Authorize the issuance of conduit revenue bonds under the Community Development Law	11, 14
LB1169	Wordekemper	C	Prohibit assault on a court operations officer	
LB1170	Wordekemper	C (>921)	Change provisions relating to filing and appealing claims against the state	12, 14
LB1171	Moser	C	Provide for certain claims relating to sewer systems under the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act	
LB1172	Holdcroft	C	Provide requirements for electric suppliers relating to dispatchable electricity capacity	
LB1173	Kauth	C (>847)	Provide for an annual filing fee for certain employers under the Employment Security Law, rename the Contractor and Professional Employer Organization Registration Cash Fund, and change permitted uses of such fund	9, 12, 13
LB1174	Kauth	GF (>838)	Change provisions related to reports of condition under the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act and provide for a remittance transfer tax	11, 14
LB1175	DeBoer	C	Change provisions relating to civil actions under the Parental Rights in Social Media Act	
LB1176	DeBoer	C	Change provisions relating to the Nebraska Rules of the Road and the Automatic License Plate Reader Privacy Act	
LB1177	DeBoer	C	Create the Child Care Cash Fund	
LB1178	DeBoer	C (>985)	Change provisions relating to certain judicial hearings and duties of guardians under the Nebraska Probate Code	4, 9, 14
LB1179	DeBoer	C	Change provisions relating to the Agriculture Committee, Natural Resources Committee, and Transportation and Telecommunications Committee of the Legislature	
LB1180	DeBoer	C (>1126)	Provide for licenses to engage in intrastate medicaid nonemergency medical transportation services and provide that certain rates charged by certain motor carriers are not subject to regulation by the Public Service Commission	11, 14

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LB1181	Bosn	S	Change provisions relating to the rights of victims of certain crimes	9, 14
LB1181A	Bosn	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1182	Lippincott	C	Provide for a base salary for certified teachers and state intent relating to changes to the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act and a new form of block grant funding	
LB1183	Lippincott	C	Change provisions relating to valuation of property	
LB1184	Fredrickson	C	Adopt the Nebraska Tribal College Investment Act	6
LB1185	Bostar	GF (>525)	Adopt the Conversational Artificial Intelligence Safety Act	6, 12, 14
LB1186	J. Cavanaugh	C	Adopt the Affordable American Energy and Jobs Act and change distribution provisions relating to the nameplate capacity tax	
LB1187	DeKay	S	Change provisions of the Livestock Brand Act	13, 14
LB1188	DeKay	GF	Update a federal reference in the Foreign-owned Real Estate National Security Act and prohibit ownership of real estate in adversary nations by the state and any political subdivision thereof	
LB1189	Conrad	C	Create a pilot program to raise awareness of the earned income tax credit	
LB1190	Conrad	C (>1071)	Change authorized use of funds appropriated to the Department of Economic Development	10
LB1191	Hallstrom	GF (>1165)	Change provisions relating to certain employment and investment requirements under the Nebraska Advantage Act	12, 14
LB1192	Prokop	GF (>1165)	Redefine a term under the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act	12, 14
LB1193	Prokop	C (>1010)	Provide regulation of and requirements for energy storage resources and change provisions relating to property tax exemptions and the nameplate capacity tax	10, 14
LB1194	Storer	C	Adopt the Real Food Act	
LB1195	Storer	S	Change requirements relating to female inmates of county jails and require county and city jails to comply with standards regarding cross-gender supervision and searches of inmates	
LB1196	Storer	C	Prohibit the use of state or local funds for low-earning outcome postsecondary education programs	
LB1197	Storer	C	Change provisions relating to limited landowner hunting permits	
LB1198	Prokop	C	Require paper tickets for certain large public events	
LB1199	Ibach	C (>935)	Change provisions of the Legal Education for Public Service and Rural Practice Loan Repayment Assistance Act and provide for a transfer from the State Settlement Cash Fund	12, 13, 14
LB1200	Guereca	C	Require industrial integrators to submit an annual disaster mitigation plan to the Department of Health and Human Services	
LB1201	Guereca	C	Provide for a grant program related to classroom libraries and engagement materials	
LB1202	Clouse	C	Change provisions relating to ignition interlock devices and ignition interlock permits	
LB1203	Clouse	C	Provide for the treatment of uncashed checks issued by counties	
LB1204	Clouse	C	Adopt the Nameplate Capacity Tax Facility Standards Act and change provisions relating to property tax exemptions and the nameplate capacity tax	
LB1205	Clouse	S	Require the Department of Economic Development to award grants under the Business Innovation Act	9, 14
LB1206	Juarez	C	Exempt income received by certificated teachers, paraeducators, and paraprofessionals from state income taxation	
LB1207	Juarez	C	Require school districts to provide mental health leave for school employees	
LB1208	Juarez	C	Provide a budget requirement under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1209	Clements	S (+759A, 847A, 867A, 901A, 1101A, 1235A)	Provide and change appropriations for purposes of carrying out legislation and change provisions relating to appropriations and a transfer of funds	
LB1210	Clements	SF	Eliminate an obsolete transfer relating to the Cash Reserve Fund	11
LB1211	Riepe	GF (>912)	Provide requirements for automated medication systems operated by certain pharmacies under the Automated Medication Systems Act	10, 13, 14
LB1212	Riepe	S (+899)	Provide for licensure of internationally trained physicians under the Uniform Credentialing Act and change provisions of the Engineers and Architects Regulation Act	12, 14
LB1213	McKinney	C	Adopt the Case Management Licensure Act	
LB1214	McKinney	C	Create a pilot program for neighborhood data collaboratives	
LB1215	McKinney	C	Adopt the Political Subdivision Contracting Transparency Act	
LB1216	McKinney	S	Provide for educational services for prisoners	
LB1217	Hardin	GF (>867)	Authorize schools to maintain epinephrine for emergency first aid	12, 14
LB1218	Brandt	C	Change provisions of the County Bridge Match Program and provide for a transfer of funds from the Roads Operations Cash Fund	
LB1219	Brandt	GF	Limit the amount of property taxes that may be levied by a political subdivision	
LB1220	Brandt	C	Change provisions relating to hunting, fur-harvesting and fishing	

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LB1221	Ballard	GF	Provide definitions relating to community engagement and work requirements under the Medical Assistance Act	
LB1222	Prokop	C	Require insurance coverage of acquired brain injury services and require insurance and medicaid coverage of certain testing and treatments for Alzheimer's disease and related dementia	
LB1223	Hunt	C	Change headlight requirements under the Nebraska Rules of the Road and prohibit the sale and distribution of certain motor vehicles under the Motor Vehicle Industry Regulation Act	
LB1224	Hunt	GF (>937)	Prohibit children from transferring to an exempt school during certain child abuse or neglect investigations and prohibit persons convicted of certain crimes from monitoring or providing instruction at such schools	11, 14
LB1225	Raybould	C	Change provisions of the Nebraska Juvenile Code relating to expedited appeals of motions to transfer to county or district court	
LB1226	Andersen	GF	Provide for issuance of a combination hunting and fishing permit and certain stamps to certain veterans	
LB1227	Andersen	C	Change provisions relating to local energy codes and local electrical codes	
LB1228	Holdcroft	C (>935)	Provide for a state docket fee and create funds for court purposes	12, 13, 14
LB1229	Strommen	C (>1072)	Create the Rural Health Transformation Fund	10
LB1230	Strommen	GF (>834)	Provide for mobile homes in the Disposition of Personal Property Landlord and Tenant Act and change provisions relating to certificates of title for mobile homes	5, 9, 14
LB1231	Strommen	C (>1072)	Transfer money from the Panhandle Improvement Project Cash Fund to the Animal Damage Control Cash Fund and state legislative intent	10
LB1232	Strommen	GF (>979)	Provide for mountain lion hunting permits	9, 14
LB1233	Hansen	C	Adopt the Developmental Disabilities Provider Excessive Training and Cost Reduction Act	
LB1234	Hansen	C	Adopt the Freestanding Birth Center Act	6
LB1235	General Affairs	S (+1085, 1128)	Change provisions of the Nebraska Liquor Control Act and the Nebraska Medical Cannabis Regulation Act	9, 13
LB1235A	Holdcroft	IPP (>1209)	Appropriation Bill	
LB1236	Executive Board	S (+1065)	Change provisions relating to publication, printing, and distribution of legislative journals, session laws, and statutes and publication of the Constitution of Nebraska	10, 14
LB1236A	Hansen	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1237	Executive Board	P	Prohibit bringing weapons or prohibited substances into the State Capitol	5, 8, 13, 14
LB1237A	Hansen	P	Appropriation Bill	
LB1238	Hughes	C	Change the cigarette tax and distribution of such tax and change taxes imposed under the Tobacco Products Tax Act	
LB1239	DeKay	W	Change provisions relating to management of long-term care facilities	
LB1240	Murman	S	Change provisions relating to state recovery under the achieving a better life experience program	9, 14
LB1241	Murman	GF (>937)	Provide requirements relating to applications for employment at a school	11, 14
LB1242	Murman	C	Provide for the establishment and enforcement of child support for an unborn child	
LB1243	Murman	GF (>937)	Change school board policies and procedures relating to part-time enrollment	11, 14
LB1244	Murman	C	Eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions, impose sales and use tax on certain services, and change provisions relating to the Nebraska Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act	5
LB1245	Dover	C	Provide for assigned parking for members of the Legislature and judges	
LB1246	Dover	C (>768)	Provide duties for the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority and change reporting requirements under the Nebraska Affordable Housing Act	14
LB1247	Dover	C	Require postsecondary institution participation in the Nebraska Statewide Workforce and Education Reporting System for the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act	
LB1248	Dover	C (>1071)	Change appropriations to the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment	10
LB1249	Sorrentino	C	Redefine terms, change provisions relating to the carryover of paid sick time, and repeal obsolete provisions in the Nebraska Healthy Families and Workplaces Act	12
LB1250	Guereca	GF (>1135)	Authorize certain cities and villages to sell waterworks, sewer systems, and water systems	13, 14
LB1251	Dover	GF	Change provisions relating to liens of homeowners' associations and unit owners associations	
LB1252	Murman	C	Provide for a retail delivery fee under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967	
LB1253	Bostar	S	Change provisions relating to the laws that apply to certain tax sale certificates	
LB1254	Bostar	C	Prohibit sale of electronic smoking devices without a child safety feature	8
LB1255	Bostar	C	Prohibit public power suppliers from exercising the power of eminent domain	
LB1256	J. Cavanaugh	V	Redefine a term under the Emergency Management Act	

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LB1257	Hansen	C	Eliminate certain sales tax exemptions, impose sales and use taxes on certain services, change school district levy limitations, eliminate the School District Property Tax Relief Act, change provisions of the School District Property Tax Limitation Act, and provide additional foundation aid under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1258	Hansen	C	Rename the Livestock Brand Act as the Livestock Protection Act, eliminate the Nebraska Brand Committee, and change, provide, and eliminate provisions relating to livestock branding and livestock protection	7
LB1259	Hansen	C	Adopt the Grid Modernization Act	
LB1260	Clements	W	Change motor vehicle taxes, fees, and allocations, provide for a motor vehicle tax supplement, and change local system formula resources under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act	
LB1261	DeKay	S	Prohibit the use of eminent domain to acquire certain privately owned electric generation facilities	14
LB1261A	DeKay	S	Appropriation Bill	
LB1262	Andersen	C	Adopt the Foreign Adversaries Out of Postsecondary Education Act	8
LR18CA	Government, Military & Veterans Affairs	GF	Constitutional amendment to require the Legislature to reimburse political subdivisions	2
LR282	Executive Board	C	Provide for the expulsion of Senator Dan McKeon, Legislative District 41, from the Nebraska Legislature	1, 2
LR283CA	DeKay	GF	Constitutional amendment to state that only a United States citizen may be an elector	
LR284CA	McKinney	C	Constitutional amendment to change the voting age to sixteen years of age	3
LR292CA	Andersen	C	Constitutional amendment to provide a new method of valuing real property for property tax purposes, provide a limit on property tax increases, provide certain exceptions, provide requirements for declared emergencies, provide for emergency bond levies, and eliminate conflicting constitutional provisions	6
LR293	Kauth	P	Urge the United States Congress to swiftly enact legislation to provide for veterans' access to treatments for traumatic brain injury and post-traumatic stress disorder	
LR294	Kauth	W	Provide notice of intent to file articles of impeachment against University of Nebraska Regent Elizabeth O'Connor	
LR295	Kauth	W	Provide a resolution adopting articles of impeachment against University of Nebraska Regent Elizabeth O'Connor	
LR296	Hallstrom	P	Urge the President of the United States and members of Congress to make permanent changes to the Child and Adult Food Programs	
LR297CA	M. Cavanaugh	C	Constitutional amendment to change provisions related to amending, repealing, modifying, or impairing a law enacted by initiative petition	7
LR298CA	Brandt	GF	Constitutional amendment to create requirements for the use of the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund	7
LR299CA	McKinney	C	Constitutional amendment to create the Nebraska Board of Commutation and transfer powers of the Board of Pardons	
LR300	Spivey	C	Create the Nebraska Economic Development Task Force	
LR301	Kauth	C	Interim study to examine whether socially or medically changing the behavioral or physical characteristics of a child in opposition to the characteristics associated with the child's sex registered at birth constitutes child abuse under the Nebraska Criminal Code	
LR303CA	M. Cavanaugh	C	Constitutional amendment to provide for paid family medical leave	
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LR316CA	M. Cavanaugh	C	Constitutional amendment to provide for certain rights of persons with disabilities	
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LR380	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to identify the needs of youth moving and transitioning to and from a youth rehabilitation and treatment center, an adult correctional facility, or a residential treatment facility as proposed by LB867	
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LR382	Fredrickson	C	Interim study to examine issues related to play therapy access in Nebraska	
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LR384	Sanders	C	Interim study to review the Licensing of Truth and Deception Examiners Act and any rules and regulations for truth and deception examiners in furtherance of the purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	
LR385	Sanders	C	Interim study to examine any issues within the jurisdiction of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature that may arise in the interim	
LR386	Moser	C	Interim study to examine any issues within the jurisdiction of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee of the Legislature	
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LR390	Hardin	C	Interim study to allow the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature to examine any health and human services issues within the jurisdiction of the committee that arise during the legislative interim period	
LR391	Dungan	C	Interim study to examine the issue of diaper access for Nebraska families	
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LR408	McKinney	C	Interim study to examine whether Nebraska should amend its laws relating to the determination of the age of majority	
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LR412	Spivey	C	Interim study to examine the ways in which the Legislature can take a more coordinated, proactive, and intentional policy role in understanding the impact of child care financing models that create or expand state-funded subsidies and federal child care subsidies to increase access, affordability, and expand coverage for working families in Nebraska	

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LR421	Storer	C	Interim study to examine the current status of artificial intelligence legislation occurring at the state and federal levels to address risks to public safety and to determine what action Nebraska should take to address such risks	
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LR433	Dover	C	Interim study to examine the necessity of a robust and well-integrated education and workforce system to support long-term economic growth that enables learners to move efficiently from education and training to employment in high-demand and high-wage occupations across the state	
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LR444	Quick	C	Interim study to examine cost models and payment models for determining behavioral health service rates in Nebraska	
LR445	von Gillern	C	Interim study to examine the sales tax revenue remittance process under the Good Life District Economic Development Act	
LR446	Jacobson	C	Interim study to examine auctioneer licensing and continuing education requirements	

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LR452	Spivey	C	Interim study to examine funding sources, fee structures, service types, oversight structures, reimbursement structures, and appropriations for cross-system services between child welfare and juvenile justice	
LR453	Hallstrom	C	Interim study to review the impact on homestead exemptions of LB126, One Hundred Eighth Legislature, Second Session, 2024	
LR454	Hallstrom	C	Interim study to examine alternative funding sources for addressing the shortage of affordable and workforce housing in Nebraska	
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LR481	Bostar	C	Interim study to examine the fiscal and operational issues related to the addition of long-term care services and supports to the medicaid managed care program	
LR482	Bostar	C	Interim study relating to insurance coverage practices and policies and reimbursement structures for access to nonopioid treatment options to address opioid use, overdose outcomes, and access to care across Nebraska	
LR506	Banking, Commerce & Insurance	C	Interim study to examine how public funds are deposited, held, and invested, and to evaluate the economic impacts of current public-fund investment practices on local communities throughout Nebraska	

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