

ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION
LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 224

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WHEREAS, the State of Nebraska holds an interest in preventing illegal immigration and securing the public health, safety, and welfare against terrorism and criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, protection of the public health, safety, and welfare is most effectively accomplished by the utilization of federal, state, and local law enforcement resources; and

WHEREAS, section 287(g) of the federal Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 authorizes the Secretary of Homeland Security to enter into agreements with municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies granting designated officers of those agencies the authority to perform immigration law enforcement functions, pursuant to a Memorandum of Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement allows municipal, county, and state law enforcement officers to receive appropriate training in immigration law enforcement from United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, the Memoranda of Agreement between the secretary and municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies have

improved immigration law enforcement in several other states.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

1. That the Legislature encourages all municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies in Nebraska to enter into Memoranda of Agreement, as authorized by section 287(g) of the federal Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, with the Secretary of Homeland Security to perform immigration law enforcement functions.

2. That a copy of this resolution be delivered to all municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies in the State of Nebraska.