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## ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

## LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 335

Introduced by Erdman, 47.

PURPOSE: It is the purpose of this resolution to examine and identify policies, programs, services, and strategies to encourage and support family farm proprietorship and models of agricultural production and marketing conducive to family farm scale of agricultural production in this state. Such policies, programs, services, and strategies may address, but are not necessarily limited to, the following areas:

- (a) Tax incentives and policy;
- (b) Programs of extension, research, and technical and financial assistance;
  - (c) Cooperative formation;
  - (d) Government and institutional procurement practices;
- (e) Agricultural products standards, inspection, and certification;
- (f) Direct and local food marketing and development of specialty crops;
  - (g) Credit and lending programs;
  - (h) Farm succession and beginning farmer programs;
- (i) Conservation programs, open space preservation, and environmental services; and
  - (j) Value-added processing, agro-tourism, and other

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on-farm entrepreneurial activities.

The study shall seek to involve Nebraska farm and commodity organizations, the Department of Agriculture, the University of Nebraska, the Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Service Center Agency, and other entities and individuals with interest and expertise in purposes of this study.

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

- 1. That the Agriculture Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.
- 2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.