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Introduced by Lautenbaugh, 18.

PURPOSE: To examine the feasibility of including Highway 133 as part of the expressway system in Nebraska.

In 1988, the Legislature initiated the beginnings of the expressway system in order to connect communities north and south of Interstate 80 to further encourage economic growth throughout these communities and the state.

Presently, this system has yet to be fully completed, connecting many of the state's four-lane highways with one another. The Legislature has acknowledged the need for completion of this project and its need to be placed on a higher priority level by the Department of Roads.

Highway 133 is a four-lane divided highway of the sort intended to be connected as part of the expressway system, yet it presently remains unconnected to the system.

The issues addressed by this interim study shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) The total distance of Highway 133 that consists of four lanes;

(2) The total distance of Highway 133 that consists of two lanes;

(3) The costs of connecting Highway 133 to the expressway

system;

(4) The availability of funds for the connection of Highway 133 to the system;

(5) An approximate timeline for when such connection would be completed;

(6) The economic and physical impact of connecting Highway 133 to the system; and

(7) What improvements, if any, need to be made to Highway 133 to keep the highway at a level acceptable to be included in the expressway system.

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

1. That the Transportation and Telecommunications 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.