

## ONE HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

## SECOND SESSION

## LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 375

Introduced by Friend, 10; Janssen, 15.

PURPOSE: This study would review the issues raised by LB899 (2008), considered by the Urban Affairs Committee, which proposed the establishment of a land reutilization authority within metropolitan-class cities. Currently, under the Land Reutilization Act, such authorities are set up on a county basis, their establishment being discretionary. Land reutilization authorities were first created in 1973 for the purpose of setting up a public authority to take control over tax delinquent property and then exercise its discretion in selling the property or keeping it for future use to encourage housing, new industry, jobs, and increased future tax revenue.

The Urban Affairs Committee's consideration of the legislation revealed that the issues involving land reutilization and tax delinquent property were broader than those addressed by this particular legislation and should be the subject of greater study and scrutiny. Additionally, it was clear that those issues also involved matters within the jurisdiction of the Revenue Committee which shares overlapping concerns regarding tax delinquent property, its treatment under state law, and the impact upon political subdivisions that rely upon property tax revenue.

This study would review those issues through the joint

efforts of the Urban Affairs Committee and the Revenue Committee.

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

1. That the Urban Affairs Committee of the Legislature and the Revenue Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committees shall upon the conclusion of their study make a report of their findings, together with their recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.