ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 464

Introduced by Giese, 17.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to examine staffing requirements for nursing homes. The issues addressed by this interim study shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) An examination of current minimum staffing requirements under the Nebraska Nursing Home Act and other state and federal laws;

(2) A review of minimum staffing ratios adopted in other states, including ratios expressed as an hours per resident day (hprd) standard, ratios based on the number of staff per resident, and ratios based on the number of staff per resident bed, occupied or otherwise; and

(3) An examination of the possible correlation between increased staffing hours and increased quality of care in nursing homes.

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

1. That the Health and Human Services 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

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recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.