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A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend sections 55-157 and
2 81-1170.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to
3 change provisions relating to reimbursement of travel
4 expenses for Nebraska National Guard members as
5 prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the
6 original sections.

7 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 55-157, Reissue Revised Statutes of
2 Nebraska, is amended to read:

3 55-157 (1) When an active or retired officer or enlisted
4 person of the National Guard is ordered to active service of the
5 state by the Governor or Adjutant General, he or she shall receive
6 compensation as provided in this subsection. For service during a
7 disaster or emergency, an officer or enlisted person shall be
8 entitled to the same pay, subsistence, and quarters allowance as
9 officers and enlisted personnel of corresponding grades of the Army
10 and Air Force of the United States and shall be reimbursed for travel
11 expenses in accordance with the Joint Federal Travel Regulations. For
12 advice, counsel, duties, or service to the Governor or Adjutant
13 General, an officer or enlisted person may, at the discretion of the
14 Adjutant General, be in a pay or nonpay status. If in a pay status,
15 the officer or enlisted person shall be entitled to the same pay,
16 subsistence, and quarters allowance as officers and enlisted
17 personnel of corresponding grades of the Army and Air Force of the
18 United States and shall be reimbursed for travel expenses in
19 accordance with the Joint Federal Travel Regulations.

20 (2) For any period of active service of the state in
21 excess of thirty consecutive days, performed at the order of the
22 Governor or Adjutant General or at the request of the federal
23 government, a state, or other agency or entity, an officer or
24 enlisted person shall be entitled to reimbursement of one hundred
25 percent of the cost of his or her privately purchased health

1 insurance or up to one hundred two percent of the cost of his or her
2 employer-provided health insurance. The officer or enlisted person
3 shall provide evidence of payment and shall be reimbursed to the
4 extent that evidence of payment can be provided. The reimbursement
5 for health insurance shall be treated as an allowance but may be paid
6 separately once received by the State of Nebraska from the federal
7 government, a state, or other agency or entity requesting the
8 services of the officer or enlisted person. The State of Nebraska
9 will not pay or advance the cost of such health insurance
10 reimbursement for the federal government, a state, or other agency or
11 entity. The State of Nebraska is exempt from the requirement under
12 this subsection to reimburse officers and enlisted persons for their
13 health insurance costs.

14 Sec. 2. Section 81-1170.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of
15 Nebraska, is amended to read:

16 81-1170.01 All requests of whatever nature upon the
17 treasury of this state, before any warrant is drawn for the payment
18 of the same, shall be examined, adjusted, and approved by the
19 Department of Administrative Services. All such requests shall be
20 presented to the Director of Administrative Services with such
21 documentation as required in the Nebraska Accounting System Manual on
22 file with the Clerk of the Legislature and shall be audited and
23 settled within two years after the request accrues. No warrants shall
24 be drawn for any request until an appropriation has been made
25 therefor. No warrant for any request for payment or reimbursement of

1 any mileage or other traveling expense shall be issued unless the
2 same is computed strictly in accordance with sections 81-1174 to
3 81-1177 except as otherwise provided in section 55-157.

4 Sec. 3. Original sections 55-157 and 81-1170.01, Reissue
5 Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.