

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA  
ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION  
**LEGISLATIVE BILL 277**  
Final Reading

Introduced by Coash, 27.

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Committee: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

A BILL

1 FOR AN ACT relating to counties; to amend section 81-1255, Reissue  
2 Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for the advice  
3 of a visitors committee to the governing body of a  
4 county; and to repeal the original section.  
5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1                   Section 1. Section 81-1255, Reissue Revised Statutes of  
2 Nebraska, is amended to read:

3                   81-1255 (1) The governing body of the county shall after  
4 a public hearing adopt a resolution establishing a County Visitors  
5 Promotion Fund and a visitors committee which shall serve as an  
6 advisory committee to the ~~county board~~ governing body in  
7 administering the proceeds from the taxes provided to the county by  
8 the Nebraska Visitors Development Act. The governing body of a county  
9 may also after a public hearing adopt a resolution establishing a  
10 County Visitors Improvement Fund. The proceeds of the County Visitors  
11 Promotion Fund shall be used generally to promote, encourage, and  
12 attract visitors to come to the county and use the travel and tourism  
13 facilities within the county. The proceeds of the County Visitors  
14 Improvement Fund shall be used to improve the visitor attractions and  
15 facilities in the county, except that no proceeds shall be used to  
16 improve a facility in which parimutuel wagering is conducted. If the  
17 visitors committee determines that the visitor attractions in the  
18 county are adequate and do not require improvement, the governing  
19 body of the county, with the advice of the committee, may use the  
20 County Visitors Improvement Fund to promote, encourage, and attract  
21 visitors to the county to use the county's travel and tourism  
22 facilities. The committee shall consist of five or seven members  
23 appointed by the governing body of the county. If the committee has  
24 five members, at least one but no more than two members of the  
25 committee shall be in the hotel industry. If the committee has seven

1 members, at least two but no more than three members of the committee  
2 shall be in the hotel industry.

3 (2) The members of the committee ~~Such appointees~~ shall  
4 serve without compensation, except for reimbursement for necessary  
5 expenses. Committee members shall serve for terms of four years,  
6 except that at least half of those appointed shall be appointed for  
7 initial terms of two years. Vacancies shall be filled in the same  
8 manner as the initial appointments. The committee shall elect a  
9 chairperson and vice-chairperson from among its members to serve for  
10 terms of two years.

11 Sec. 2. Original section 81-1255, Reissue Revised  
12 Statutes of Nebraska, is repealed.