

ONE HUNDRED SECOND LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 318

Introduced by Fulton, 29.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study, compare, and analyze the true costs incurred when state government and political subdivisions provide services readily available in the private sector. This study should compare the complete costs when the public sector provides the services to the complete costs when the private sector provides the same services, including both direct and indirect costs. The study should include an analysis of the effects to the economy when services are provided by a government entity. The study should also include a comparison of intangibles associated with providing the services by both public and private sectors to evaluate true cost effectiveness. The study may include recommendations to address effective privatization of government services and to address concerns regarding unfair government competition with the private sector.

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

1. That the Speaker of the Legislature is empowered to convene an ad hoc committee consisting of standing committee chairpersons and the chairperson of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council, or a designee that is a member of the standing committee or the executive board, to discuss, plan, and oversee a process for standing committees and the

executive board to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the standing committees and executive board shall meet and review the programs within the agencies under their subject-matter jurisdiction, as determined by the executive board, to:

a. Identify services provided by the public sector that are available in the private sector;

b. Study, compare, and analyze the true costs incurred when state agencies provide services readily available in the private sector, including both direct and indirect costs. The study should also include an analysis of the effects to the economy when services are provided by a government entity; and

c. Make recommendations to address effective privatization of government services and to address concerns regarding unfair government competition with the private sector.