

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA  
ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION  
**LEGISLATIVE BILL 609**

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Committee: Executive Board

A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislature; to create the Nebraska's
- 2           Emerging Future Subcommittee of the Legislature's
- 3           Planning Committee; and to provide powers and duties.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1. (1) The Nebraska's Emerging Future  
2 Subcommittee of the Legislature's Planning Committee is hereby  
3 created. The subcommittee shall be composed of all members of the  
4 Legislature's Planning Committee and, as ex officio members, the  
5 chairpersons of all standing committees of the Legislature who are  
6 not already members of the Legislature's Planning Committee.

7           (2) The subcommittee shall issue a report to the  
8 Legislature prior to December 1 of each even-numbered year which may  
9 include:

10           (a) An analysis of the current state tax structure;

11           (b) Any proposals for legislation to reconfigure the  
12 state tax structure in a manner more beneficial to the citizens of  
13 the State of Nebraska;

14           (c) A list of state-funded programs and services enacted  
15 primarily for the purpose of economic development;

16           (d) A cost-benefit analysis of any or all state-funded  
17 programs or services enacted primarily for the purpose of economic  
18 development;

19           (e) An assessment of whether any or all state-funded  
20 programs and services enacted primarily for the purpose of economic  
21 development are consistent with the strategic vision for advancing  
22 Nebraska's economic development efforts as identified in A  
23 Competitive Advantage Assessment and Strategy for Nebraska, a 2010  
24 study prepared by Battelle Technology Partnership Practice for the  
25 Department of Economic Development and the Department of Labor;

1           (f) Any proposals for legislation to expand, reduce, or  
2 eliminate state funding for programs or services enacted primarily  
3 for the purpose of economic development; and

4           (g) Any proposals for legislation to extend the sunset  
5 date of any or all state-funded programs enacted primarily for the  
6 purpose of economic development.

7           (3) In order to fulfill its duties, the subcommittee may:

8           (a) Hold public hearings;

9           (b) Obtain data and information from state agencies, the  
10 University of Nebraska, and private entities that contract with the  
11 state; and

12           (c) Contract for assistance, including consultants, with  
13 the approval of the Legislature's Planning Committee and the  
14 Executive Board of the Legislative Council.