

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 547

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WHEREAS, the Legislature has a variety of tools that it can utilize to enhance economic development for the Native American population of Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, these tools include tax incentives, housing opportunities, grants, special education policies, and access to health care; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature would benefit from the advice and recommendations of the State-Tribal Relations Committee of the Legislature regarding the development of policies and refinements to existing laws that can be made to encourage and enhance economic development for the Native American population of Nebraska.

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

1. That the Legislature hereby calls for the Executive Board of the Legislative Council to meet forthwith and appoint a special committee of the Legislature to be known as the Tribal Economic Development Committee of the Legislature. The special committee shall consist of five members: The chairperson of the State-Tribal Relations Committee of the Legislature or his or her designee, the chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature or his or her designee, the chairperson of the Revenue Committee or his or her designee, and two members of the Legislature selected by the Executive Board. The members of the special committee shall choose a chairperson from among the members of the committee.

2. That the Tribal Economic Development Committee shall conduct a study

examining the policy tools available to the Legislature to enhance economic development for the Native American population of Nebraska.

3. That the Tribal Economic Development Committee shall consult with the members of the Education and Health and Human Services Committees of the Legislature in conducting this study.

4. That the Tribal Economic Development Committee shall formulate draft legislation and policy recommendations and issue a report with its findings and recommendations to the Legislature no later than December 15, 2016.