

THIRTY-FIRST DAY - FEBRUARY 23, 2016**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE
SECOND SESSION****THIRTY-FIRST DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Tuesday, February 23, 2016

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Pastor Gary Wissel, Crossroads Bible Church, Manley.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., President Foley presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Gloor and Schilz who were excused; and Senators Coash, Kintner, Kuehn, Larson, Mello, Morfeld, and Murante who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the thirtieth day was approved.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Enrollment and Review

LEGISLATIVE BILL 221. Placed on Final Reading.

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The following changes, required to be reported for publication in the Journal, have been made:

1. In the Harr amendment, AM2133, on page 1, line 5, the second "or" has been struck and "of" inserted.
2. In the Harr amendment, AM1996, on page 3, line 1, the second comma has been struck.
3. On page 1, line 1, "landlord" has been struck and "landlords" inserted; and lines 2 through 5 have been struck and "25-21,220, 69-2303, 76-1414, 76-1431, 76-1441, and 76-1446, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to forcible entry and detainer and the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; to provide for disposition of personal property upon the death of a tenant; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections." inserted.
4. On page 4, line 13, the comma has been struck.

5. On page 5, line 18, "25-21,220," has been inserted after "sections" and "76-1431," has been inserted after "76-1414,".

(Signed) Matt Hansen, Chairperson

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

LEGISLATIVE BILL 677. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 978. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 851. Placed on General File with amendment.

AM2149

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new

2 sections:

3 Section 1. Section 84-602, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

4 amended to read:

5 84-602 It shall be the duty of the State Treasurer:

6 (1) To receive and keep all money of the state not expressly

7 required to be received and kept by some other person;

8 (2) To disburse the public money upon warrants drawn upon the state

9 treasury according to law and not otherwise;

10 (3) To keep a just, true, and comprehensive account of all money

11 received and disbursed;

12 (4) To keep a just account with each fund, and each head of

13 appropriation made by law, and the warrants drawn against them;

14 (5) To render a full statement to the Department of Administrative

15 Services of all money received by him or her from whatever source, and if

16 on account of revenue, for what year; of all penalties and interest on

17 delinquent taxes reported or accounted for to him or her, and of all

18 disbursements of public funds; with a list, in numerical order, of all

19 warrants redeemed, the name of the payee, amount, interest, and total

20 amount allowed thereon, and with the amount of the balance of the several

21 funds unexpended; which statement shall be made on the first day of

22 December, March, June, and September, and more often if required;

23 (6) To report electronically to the Legislature as soon as

24 practicable, but within ten days after the commencement of each regular

25 session, a detailed statement of the condition of the treasury and its

26 operations for the preceding fiscal year;

27 (7) To give information electronically to the Legislature, whenever

1 required, upon any subject connected with the treasury or touching any

2 duty of his or her office;

3 (8) To account for, and pay over, all money received by him or her

4 as such treasurer, to his or her successor in office, and deliver all

5 books, vouchers, and effects of office to him or her; and such successor

6 shall receipt therefor. In accounting for and paying over such money the

7 treasurer shall not be held liable on account of any loss occasioned by

8 any investment, when such investment shall have been made pursuant to the

9 direction of the state investment officer; and

10 (9) To develop and maintain ~~the a single, searchable~~ web site
11 ~~required under the Taxpayer Transparency Act with information on state~~
12 ~~tax receipts, expenditures, and contracts which is accessible by the~~
13 ~~public at no cost to access as provided in section 84-602.02. The web~~
14 ~~site shall be hosted on a server owned and operated by the State of~~
15 ~~Nebraska or approved by the Chief Information Officer. The naming~~
16 ~~convention for the web site shall identify the web site as a state~~
17 ~~government web site. The web site shall not include the treasurer's name,~~
18 ~~the treasurer's image, the treasurer's seal, or a welcome message.~~
19 Sec. 2. Section 84-602.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
20 amended to read:
21 84-602.01 ~~Section 84-602.01 and sections 3 and 4 of this act The~~
22 ~~establishment of the web site provided for in section 84-602 and~~
23 ~~described in section 84-602.02 shall be known and may be cited as the~~
24 Taxpayer Transparency Act.
25 Sec. 3. For purposes of the Taxpayer Transparency Act:
26 (1)(a) Expenditure of state funds means all expenditures of state
27 receipts, whether appropriated or nonappropriated, by a state entity in
28 forms including, but not limited to:
29 (i) Grants;
30 (ii) Contracts;
31 (iii) Subcontracts;
1 (iv) State aid to political subdivisions;
2 (v) Tax refunds or credits that may be disclosed pursuant to the
3 Nebraska Advantage Act, the Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise Tax Credit
4 Act, the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act, or the Nebraska
5 Advantage Rural Development Act; and
6 (vi) Any other disbursement of state receipts by a state entity in
7 the performance of its functions;
8 (b) Expenditure of state funds includes expenditures authorized by
9 the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska, the Board of Trustees
10 of the Nebraska State Colleges, or a public corporation pursuant to
11 sections 85-403 to 85-411; and
12 (c) Expenditure of state funds does not include the transfer of
13 funds between two state entities, payments of state, federal, or other
14 assistance to an individual, or the expenditure of pass-through funds;
15 (2) Pass-through funds means any funds received by a state entity if
16 the state entity is acting only as an intermediary or custodian with
17 respect to such funds and is obligated to pay or otherwise return such
18 funds to the person entitled thereto;
19 (3) State entity means (a) any agency, board, commission, or
20 department of the state and (b) any other body created by state statute
21 that includes a person appointed by the Governor, the head of any state
22 agency or department, an employee of the State of Nebraska, or any
23 combination of such persons and that is empowered pursuant to such
24 statute to collect and disburse state receipts; and
25 (4) State receipts means revenue or other income received by a state
26 entity from tax receipts, fees, charges, interest, or other sources which
27 is (a) used by the state entity to pay the expenses necessary to perform

28 the state entity's functions and (b) reported to the State Treasurer in
 29 total amounts by category of income. State receipts does not include
 30 pass-through funds.

31 Sec. 4. Section 84-602.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2015, is
 1 amended to read:

2 ~~84-602.02~~ (1) The State Treasurer shall develop and maintain a
 3 single, searchable web site with information on state receipts,
 4 expenditures of state funds, and contracts which is accessible by the
 5 public at no cost to access as provided in this section. The web site
 6 shall be hosted on a server owned and operated by the State of Nebraska
 7 or approved by the Chief Information Officer. The naming convention for
 8 the web site shall identify the web site as a state government web site.
 9 The web site shall not include the treasurer's name, the treasurer's
 10 image, the treasurer's seal, or a welcome message.

11 ~~(2)(a) The (1)(a) Not later than January 1, 2010, the web site~~
 12 ~~established, developed, and maintained by the State Treasurer pursuant to~~
 13 ~~this section subdivision (9) of section 84-602 shall provide such~~
 14 ~~information as will document the sources of all state tax receipts and~~
 15 ~~the expenditure of state funds by all agencies, boards, commissions, and~~
 16 ~~departments of the state entities.~~

17 (b) The State Treasurer shall, in appropriate detail, cause to be
 18 published on the web site:

19 (i) The identity, principal location, and amount of state receipts
 20 received or expended by the State of Nebraska and all of its state
 21 entities agencies, boards, commissions, and departments;

22 (ii) The funding or expending state entity agency, board,
 23 commission, or department;

24 (iii) The budget program source;

25 (iv) The amount, date, purpose, and recipient of all expenditures of
 26 state funds disbursed funds; and

27 (v) Such other relevant information as will further the intent of
 28 enhancing the transparency of state government financial operations to
 29 its citizens and taxpayers. The web site shall include data for fiscal
 30 year 2008-09 and each fiscal year thereafter, except that for any state
 31 entity that becomes subject to this section due to the changes made by
 1 this legislative bill, the web site shall include data for such state
 2 entity for fiscal year 2016-17 and each fiscal year thereafter.

3 ~~(3) 2) The Beginning July 1, 2010, the data shall be available on the~~
 4 ~~web site no later than thirty days after the end of the preceding fiscal~~
 5 ~~year.~~

6 ~~(4)(a) The (3)(a) Beginning July 1, 2014, the web site described in~~
 7 ~~this section shall include a link to the web site of the Department of~~
 8 ~~Administrative Services. The department's web site shall contain:~~

9 (i) A data base that includes a copy of each active contract that is
 10 a basis for an expenditure of state funds, including any amendment to
 11 such contract and any document incorporated by reference in such
 12 contract. For purposes of this subdivision, amendment means an agreement
 13 to modify a contract which has been reduced to writing and signed by each
 14 party to the contract, an agreement to extend the duration of a contract,

15 or an agreement to renew a contract. The data base shall be accessible by
16 the public and searchable by vendor, by state entity agency, board,
17 commission, or department, and by dollar amount. All agencies, boards,
18 commissions, and departments of the state entities shall provide to the
19 Department of Administrative Services, in electronic form, copies of such
20 contracts for inclusion in the data base beginning with contracts that
21 are active on and after January 1, 2014, except that for any state entity
22 that becomes subject to this section due to the changes made by this
23 legislative bill, such state entity shall provide copies of such
24 contracts for inclusion in the data base beginning with contracts that
25 are active on and after January 1, 2017; and
26 (ii) A data base that includes copies of all expired contracts which
27 were previously included in the data base described in subdivision (4)(a)
28 (i) ~~(3)(a)(i)~~ of this section and which have not been disposed of
29 pursuant to policies and procedures adopted under subdivision (4)(e) ~~(3)~~
30 ~~(e)~~ of this section. The data base required under this subdivision shall
31 be accessible by the public and searchable by vendor, by state entity
1 agency, board, commission, or department, and by dollar amount.
2 (b) The following shall be redacted or withheld from any contract
3 before such contract is included in a data base pursuant to subdivision
4 (4)(a) ~~(3)(a)~~ of this section:
5 (i) The social security number or federal tax identification number
6 of any individual or business;
7 (ii) Protected health information as such term is defined under the
8 federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996, as
9 such act existed on January 1, 2013;
10 (iii) Any information which may be withheld from the public under
11 section 84-712.05; or
12 (iv) Any information that is confidential under state or federal
13 law, rule, or regulation.
14 (c) The following contracts shall be exempt from the requirements of
15 subdivision (4)(a) ~~(3)(a)~~ of this section:
16 (i) Contracts entered into by the Department of Health and Human
17 Services that are letters of agreement for the purpose of providing
18 specific services to a specifically named individual and his or her
19 family;
20 (ii) Contracts entered into by the University of Nebraska or any of
21 the Nebraska state colleges for the purpose of providing specific
22 services or financial assistance to a specifically named individual and
23 his or her family;
24 (iii) Contracts entered into by the Department of Veterans' Affairs
25 under section 80-401 or 80-403 for the purpose of providing aid to a
26 specifically named veteran and his or her family;
27 (iv) Contracts entered into by the State Energy Office for the
28 purpose of providing financing from the Dollar and Energy Saving Loan
29 program; ~~and~~
30 (v) Contracts of employment for employees of any agency, board,
31 commission, or department of the state entity. The exemption provided in
1 this subdivision shall not apply to contracts entered into by any agency,

2 ~~board, commission, or department of the state entity~~ to obtain the
3 services of an independent contractor; ~~and~~ -
4 (vi) Contracts entered into by the Nebraska Investment Finance
5 Authority for the purpose of providing a specific service or financial
6 assistance, including, but not limited to, a grant or loan, to a
7 specifically named individual and his or her family.
8 (d) No ~~agency, board, commission, or department of the state entity~~
9 shall structure a contract to avoid any of the requirements of
10 subdivision ~~(4)(a) (3)(a)~~ of this section.
11 (e) The Department of Administrative Services shall adopt policies
12 and procedures regarding the creation, maintenance, and disposal of
13 records pursuant to section 84-1212.02 for the contracts contained in the
14 data bases required under this section and the process by which ~~agencies,~~
15 ~~boards, commissions, and departments of the state entities~~ provide copies
16 of the contracts required under this section.
17 ~~(5) 4) All agencies, boards, commissions, and departments of the~~
18 ~~state entities~~ shall provide to the State Treasurer, at such times and in
19 such form as designated by the State Treasurer, such information as is
20 necessary to accomplish the purposes of the Taxpayer Transparency Act.
21 ~~(6) 5) Nothing in this section requires the disclosure of information~~
22 ~~which is considered confidential under state or federal law or is not a~~
23 ~~public record under section 84-712.05.~~
24 ~~(6)(a) For purposes of this section, expenditure of state funds~~
25 ~~means all expenditures of appropriated or nonappropriated funds by an~~
26 ~~agency, board, commission, or department of the state from the state~~
27 ~~treasury in forms including, but not limited to:~~
28 ~~(i) Grants;~~
29 ~~(ii) Contracts;~~
30 ~~(iii) Subcontracts;~~
31 ~~(iv) State aid to political subdivisions; and~~
1 ~~(v) Tax refunds or credits that may be disclosed pursuant to the~~
2 ~~Nebraska Advantage Act, the Nebraska Advantage Microenterprise Tax Credit~~
3 ~~Act, the Nebraska Advantage Research and Development Act, or the Nebraska~~
4 ~~Advantage Rural Development Act.~~
5 (b) ~~Expenditure of state funds does not include the transfer of~~
6 ~~funds between two agencies, boards, commissions, or departments of the~~
7 ~~state or payments of state or federal assistance to an individual.~~
8 Sec. 5. Original sections 84-602 and 84-602.01, Reissue Revised
9 Statutes of Nebraska, and section 84-602.02, Revised Statutes Supplement,
10 2015, are repealed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 877. Placed on General File with amendment.
AM2104

1 1. On page 3, line 9, after "hundred" insert "fifty"; in line 12
2 strike "commission" and insert "department and public works department";
3 and in line 17 strike "commission" and insert "county".

(Signed) John Murante, Chairperson

RESOLUTION(S)

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LRs 434, 435, and 436 were adopted.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the President signed the following: LRs 434, 435, and 436.

MOTION(S) - Confirmation Report(s)

Senator Campbell moved the adoption of the Health and Human Services Committee report for the confirmation of the following appointment(s) found on pages 669 and 670:

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Chad Bell

Division of Behavioral Health - Department of Health and Human Services

Sheri Dawson, Director

Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired

Michael D. Hansen

Voting in the affirmative, 36:

Baker	Davis	Howard	McCollister	Stinner
Bloomfield	Ebke	Hughes	Pansing Brooks	Sullivan
Bolz	Fox	Johnson	Riepe	Watermeier
Brasch	Friesen	Kintner	Scheer	Williams
Campbell	Garrett	Kolowski	Schnoor	
Cook	Hadley	Kolterman	Schumacher	
Craighead	Hansen	Krist	Seiler	
Crawford	Hilkemann	Lindstrom	Smith	

Voting in the negative, 0.

Present and not voting, 6:

Chambers	Haar, K.	McCoy
Groene	Harr, B.	Morfeld

Excused and not voting, 7:

Coash	Kuehn	Mello	Schilz
Gloor	Larson	Murante	

The appointments were confirmed with 36 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 772. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 15 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1059. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM2067, found on page 593, was offered.

Senator Schumacher offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

FA89

Amend AM2067

Strike "two-thirds" in line 17 page 5 and replace that with "unanimous".

The Schumacher amendment lost with 12 ayes, 18 nays, 13 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

The committee amendment was adopted with 28 ayes, 0 nays, 16 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 28 ayes, 2 nays, 14 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

Transportation and Telecommunications

LEGISLATIVE BILL 768. Placed on General File with amendment. AM2058 is available in the Bill Room.

(Signed) Jim Smith, Chairperson

Health and Human Services

LEGISLATIVE BILL 869. Placed on General File.

(Signed) Kathy Campbell, Chairperson

Appropriations

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1092. Placed on General File.

(Signed) Heath Mello, Chairperson

Banking, Commerce and Insurance

LEGISLATIVE BILL 794. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 817. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1050. Placed on General File with amendment.
AM2237

- 1 1. On page 2, lines 15 and 16; and page 3, lines 1 and 2, strike
- 2 "each partner who owns in the aggregate more than a fifty percent
- 3 interest" and insert "partners who own in the aggregate more than fifty
- 4 percent of the interests".
- 5 2. On page 2, line 19, strike "provisions" and insert "provision".

LEGISLATIVE BILL 801. Indefinitely postponed.

(Signed) Jim Scheer, Chairperson

BILL ON FIRST READING

The following bill was read for the first time by title:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 447A. Introduced by Kolterman, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 447, One Hundred Fourth Legislature, Second Session, 2016; and to declare an emergency.

AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Lindstrom filed the following amendment to LB772:
AM2196 is available in the Bill Room.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Education

Room 1525

Tuesday, March 1, 2016 1:30 p.m.

Pete Goldschmidt - Technical Advisory Committee for Statewide Assessment
Randy Schmailzl - Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission

(Signed) Kate Sullivan, Chairperson

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 445. Introduced by Davis, 43.

WHEREAS, Gideon Monette, a senior at Mullen High School, won the 2016 Class D State Wrestling Championship in the 182-pound division; and

WHEREAS, Gideon displayed outstanding determination, perseverance, and skill in winning the state championship; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Gideon Monette on his state wrestling championship.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Gideon Monette.

Laid over.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 446. Introduced by Schnoor, 15.

WHEREAS, Andrew J. Poppe of Fremont has completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Throughout his scouting experience, Andrew has learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn 21 merit badges, 13 of which are in required areas, and complete a community service project approved by the troop and the scout council. For his community service project, Andrew built benches along the hiking trails of Fremont State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, only a small percentage of the boys who join the Boy Scouts of America achieve the rank of Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, Andrew, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, such as astronauts, leaders of government and industry, artists, scientists, and athletes.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Andrew J. Poppe on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Andrew J. Poppe.

Laid over.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 730. Title read. Considered.

SPEAKER HADLEY PRESIDING

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 32 ayes, 0 nays, 13 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 830. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM2082, found on page 589, was adopted with 28 ayes, 0 nays, 17 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 0 nays, 12 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 704. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 26 ayes, 0 nays, 20 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 698. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM1994, found on page 560, was offered.

Senator Campbell offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

AM2255 is available in the Bill Room.

The Campbell amendment was adopted with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 17 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 30 ayes, 0 nays, 16 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 28 ayes, 0 nays, 17 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1022. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM2170, found on page 637, was adopted with 31 ayes, 0 nays, 16 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 18 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

LEGISLATIVE BILL 867A. Introduced by Watermeier, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 867, One Hundred Fourth Legislature, Second Session, 2016.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 770A. Introduced by Groene, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to amend Laws 2015, LB657, section 87; to reduce an appropriation to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 770, One Hundred Fourth Legislature, Second Session, 2016; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

RESOLUTION(S)**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 447.** Introduced by Ebke, 32.

WHEREAS, Elliot James Erdkamp of Exeter has completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Throughout his scouting experience, Elliot has learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn 21 merit badges, 13 of which are in required areas, and complete a community service project approved by the troop and the scout council. For his project, Elliot and several of his fellow members and leaders spent nearly 170 hours installing a handicapped-accessible sidewalk in Exeter's city park; and

WHEREAS, Elliot, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, such as astronauts, leaders of government and industry, artists, scientists, and athletes.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Elliot James Erdkamp on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Elliot James Erdkamp.

Laid over.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 448. Introduced by Ebke, 32.

WHEREAS, Broc Edward Mueller, a member of Troop 270 of Friend, has completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Throughout his scouting experience, Broc has learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn 21 merit badges, 13 of which are in required areas, and complete a community service project approved by the troop and the scout council. For his project, Broc finished the landscaping around Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Cordova. Broc arranged funding for the project by

writing a grant and organized a group of Boy Scouts and adults to help with the project, which took nearly 100 hours to complete; and

WHEREAS, Broc, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, such as astronauts, leaders of government and industry, artists, scientists, and athletes.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Broc Edward Mueller on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Broc Edward Mueller.

Laid over.

WITHDRAW - Cointroducer

Senator Groene withdrew his name as cointroducer to LB803.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were members of the Collegiate Farm Bureau, Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture and Southeast Community College; Kamryn Sannicks from Lincoln; members of Elkhorn Rural Public Power District from Battle Creek and Stanton; and 30 members of Leadership Lincoln County from North Platte.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Marlon Weiss from Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:59 a.m., on a motion by Senator Williams, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, February 24, 2016.

Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature

