AMENDMENTS TO LB233

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM127)

Introduced by Krist, 10.

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and
- 2 insert the following new sections:
- 3 Section 1. Sections 1 to 9 of this act shall be known and may be
- 4 cited as the Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act.
- 5 Sec. 2. Pursuant to Article VIII, section 1, subdivisions (4) and
- 6 (5), of the Constitution of Nebraska, the Legislature finds and declares
- 7 that:
- 8 (1) The agricultural industry is a vital part of the economy of this
- 9 state;
- 10 (2) The nature of the agricultural industry and commodity prices
- 11 affect the value of agricultural land and horticultural land;
- 12 <u>(3) All agricultural land and horticultural land in Nebraska has an</u>
- 13 <u>actual value as defined in section 77-112 reflecting purposes or uses</u>
- other than agricultural or horticultural purposes or uses;
- 15 (4) Market influences to use agricultural land and horticultural
- 16 land for purposes other than agricultural or horticultural purposes are
- 17 present throughout the state and cause the prices paid for agricultural
- 18 land and horticultural land to exceed the value such land has for
- 19 agricultural or horticultural purposes;
- 20 <u>(5) The best and most uniform way to exclude any value that</u>
- 21 <u>agricultural land and horticultural land has for purposes other than</u>
- 22 agricultural or horticultural purposes is to rely on the income-producing
- 23 characteristics of the land; and
- 24 (6) Agricultural land and horticultural land should be assessed at
- 25 its agricultural-use value using an income approach that complies with
- 26 professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques.

- 1 Sec. 3. For purposes of the Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act:
- 2 (1) Agricultural land and horticultural land means a parcel of land,
- 3 excluding land associated with a building or enclosed structure located
- 4 on the parcel, which is primarily used for agricultural or horticultural
- 5 purposes, including wasteland lying in or adjacent to and in common
- 6 <u>ownership or management with other agricultural land and horticultural</u>
- 7 land;
- 8 (2) Agricultural or horticultural purposes means used for the
- 9 commercial production of any plant or animal product in a raw or
- 10 unprocessed state that is derived from the science and art of
- 11 agriculture, aquaculture, or horticulture. Agricultural or horticultural
- 12 purposes includes the following uses of land:
- 13 (a) Land retained or protected for future agricultural or
- 14 <u>horticultural purposes under a conservation easement approved as required</u>
- by section 76-2,112 except when the parcel or a portion thereof is being
- 16 used for purposes other than agricultural or horticultural purposes; and
- 17 <u>(b) Land enrolled in a federal or state program in which payments</u>
- 18 are received for removing such land from agricultural or horticultural
- 19 production;
- 20 (3) Agricultural-use value means the value of land for agricultural
- 21 or horticultural purposes or uses without regard to the value of such
- 22 <u>land for other purposes or uses as determined pursuant to the</u>
- 23 Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act;
- 24 (4) Farm home site means land contiguous to a farm site which
- 25 includes an inhabitable residence and improvements used for residential
- 26 purposes and which is located outside of urban areas or outside a platted
- 27 <u>and zoned subdivision; and</u>
- 28 (5) Farm site means the portion of land contiguous to land actively
- 29 <u>devoted to agriculture which includes improvements that are agricultural</u>
- 30 <u>or horticultural in nature, including any uninhabitable or unimproved</u>
- 31 <u>farm home site.</u>

(1) Agricultural land and horticultural land shall be a 1

- 2 separate and distinct class of real property for purposes of assessment.
- 3 (2) For assessments made on or after January 1, 2018, the assessed
- 4 value of agricultural land and horticultural land shall be determined as
- 5 follows:
- 6 (a) The assessed value of agricultural land and horticultural land
- 7 shall not be uniform and proportionate with all other real property, but
- the assessed value shall be uniform and proportionate within the class of 8
- 9 agricultural land and horticultural land based on the income potential of
- 10 the land; and
- 11 (b) Agricultural land and horticultural land shall be valued at its
- 12 agricultural-use value as determined pursuant to the Agricultural
- Valuation Fairness Act regardless of any value which such land might have 13
- 14 for purposes other than agricultural or horticultural purposes.
- 15 (3) The eligibility of land for agricultural-use value shall be
- determined each year as of January 1. If land so qualified becomes 16
- disqualified on or before December 31 of that year, it shall continue to 17
- receive agricultural-use value until January 1 of the year following. 18
- 19 (1) All agricultural land and horticultural land shall be
- 20 assessed for taxation purposes using an income-approach calculation to
- 21 determine the agricultural-use value for each assessment year beginning
- 22 on or after January 1, 2018. The income-approach calculation shall be
- 23 consistent with the Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act and any rules and
- 24 regulations adopted and promulgated by the Tax Commissioner and shall
- 25 comply with professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques.
- 26 (2) For purposes of assessing agricultural land and horticultural
- 27 land using the income approach, agricultural land and horticultural land
- shall be divided into classes and subclasses of real property under 28
- 29 section 77-103.01, including, but not limited to, irrigated cropland,
- 30 dryland cropland, grassland used for grazing, grassland used for haying,
- wasteland, nurseries, feedlots, and orchards, so that the categories 31

- 1 reflect uses appropriate for the valuation of such land according to law.
- 2 <u>Classes shall be inventoried by subclasses of real property based on soil</u>
- 3 <u>classification standards developed by the Natural Resources Conservation</u>
- 4 <u>Service of the United States Department of Agriculture as converted into</u>
- 5 productivity groups by the Agricultural Land Valuation Committee. Nothing
- 6 in this section shall be construed to limit the classes and subclasses of
- 7 real property that may be used by the committee, county assessors, or the
- 8 <u>Tax Equalization and Review Commission to achieve more uniform and</u>
- 9 proportionate valuations.
- 10 Sec. 6. (1) The Agricultural Land Valuation Committee is created.
- 11 The committee's purpose shall be to group soil classifications into
- 12 productivity groups by class or subclass of property. The committee shall
- 13 also develop income and expense estimates for all productivity groups in
- 14 Nebraska and capitalization rates for each class and subclass of
- 15 agricultural land and horticultural land in each county as necessary to
- 16 produce uniform and proportionate assessed valuations. The committee
- 17 <u>shall meet at least six times per year at the call of the chairperson.</u>
- 18 The committee shall consist of the following five persons:
- 19 <u>(a) The Tax Commissioner or a designee from his or her staff who</u>
- 20 <u>shall serve as the chairperson of the committee;</u>
- 21 (b) A representative of the agricultural and horticultural industry
- 22 <u>appointed by the Tax Commissioner. The appointment shall be based on</u>
- 23 <u>recommendations made by not less than three industry groups designated by</u>
- 24 the Tax Commissioner;
- 25 (c) A county assessor appointed by the Tax Commissioner. The county
- 26 <u>assessor shall be skilled in the valuation of agricultural land and</u>
- 27 <u>horticultural land and shall hold a certificate issued under section</u>
- 28 77-422;
- 29 <u>(d) An appraiser from the private sector appointed by the Tax</u>
- 30 <u>Commissioner. Such appraiser shall hold an Accredited Rural Appraiser</u>
- 31 <u>designation granted by the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural</u>

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- 1 Appraisers; and
- 2 (e) A representative from the faculty of one of the research

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- 3 universities in the state specializing in agricultural economics
- 4 appointed by the Tax Commissioner.
- 5 (2) The committee shall meet in November 2017 and each November
- thereafter to establish income for each productivity group based on 6
- 7 information available to the committee from the United States Department
- 8 of Agriculture, the University of Nebraska Institute of Agriculture and
- 9 Natural Resources, the Nebraska Investment Finance Authority, the
- Department of Revenue, and any other sources determined necessary by the 10
- 11 committee. The committee shall meet in November 2017 to establish
- 12 capitalization rates for each class or subclass of agricultural land and
- 13 horticultural land as provided in section 7 of this act. Beginning in
- 14 November 2018 and each November thereafter, the committee shall review
- 15 the capitalization rates and make adjustments as necessary to ensure
- uniform and proportionate assessments of all agricultural land and 16
- 17 horticultural land. The Department of Revenue shall electronically
- publish notice of the committee's meetings no less than thirty days in 18
- 19 advance.
- (3) Agricultural land and horticultural land shall be valued based 20
- 21 on the agricultural-use value, reflected in a capitalized income approach
- 22 developed pursuant to the Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act, using
- 23 professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques. The assessed values of
- 24 agricultural land and horticultural land shall be determined on the basis
- 25 of the land's productivity in use for agricultural or horticultural
- 26 purposes by capitalizing the net income by a rate that reflects the
- 27 agricultural-use value in the ordinary course of trade.
- 28 (4) For irrigated cropland and dryland cropland, gross income shall
- 29 be determined by multiplying the average yield for each county by the
- 30 prior year average commodity price for each major crop type harvested in
- 31 each county.

- 1 (5) For irrigated cropland, dryland cropland, and grassland used for
- 2 <u>haying, the average yield information shall be determined based on the</u>
- 3 eight prior years published by the United States Department of
- 4 Agriculture for those commodities appropriate for each productivity
- 5 group, with the highest and lowest yields for that period excluded. The
- 6 <u>average commodity price shall be based on an average of the most recent</u>
- 7 <u>eight years, excluding the highest and lowest prices of that period.</u>
- 8 (6) For grassland used for grazing, the average yield shall be based
- 9 on the carrying capacity in terms of animal-unit months and the current
- 10 rental value per animal-unit month for each productivity group. Carrying
- 11 <u>capacity</u>, by productivity group, shall be based on productivity estimates
- 12 <u>published</u> by the Natural Resources Conservation Service of the United
- 13 States Department of Agriculture or other state or federal agencies as
- 14 <u>determined by the committee</u>. Rental values per animal-unit month shall be
- 15 <u>based on an average of the most recent eight years, excluding the highest</u>
- 16 and lowest values of that period.
- 17 (7) The gross income shall be established as a dollar-per-acre value
- 18 by weighting the major crop types harvested in each county by the number
- 19 <u>of acres harvested in the previous year. Such crops may include</u>
- 20 continuous cropland wheat, summer fallow wheat, corn for grain, dry
- 21 beans, sorghum for grain, sugar beets, soybeans for beans, oats, and
- 22 <u>alfalfa. Additional crop information appropriate for predominant crops in</u>
- 23 a county or productivity group shall also be included when available.
- 24 (8) Land uses such as accretion land, wasteland, orchards,
- 25 vineyards, nurseries, and other agricultural land uses without sufficient
- 26 income information available shall be valued using a sales comparison
- 27 approach or other professionally accepted mass appraisal technique that
- 28 produces an assessment at seventy-five percent of its actual value for
- 29 <u>agricultural or horticultural purposes.</u>
- 30 (9) Expenses shall be determined by the committee to reflect average
- 31 <u>expenses associated for each land use based on information from the</u>

- 1 United States Department of Agriculture, the University of Nebraska
- 2 <u>Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, landowner surveys made</u>
- 3 available to the committee, or other sources that yield reliable
- 4 information. The committee may also use the typical landowner share,
- 5 which reflects the proportion of the gross receipts received by the
- 6 landowner in the normal course of farm operation, and typical leasing
- 7 <u>arrangements as determined from surveys conducted by the Property Tax</u>
- 8 Administrator or as published by other state or federal agencies.
- 9 Sec. 7. The Agricultural Land Valuation Committee shall determine
- 10 value for each productivity group in each county by dividing the income
- 11 <u>determined for each parcel under section 6 of this act by a</u>
- 12 <u>capitalization rate established by the committee. The committee shall</u>
- 13 establish the capitalization rates to be applied to each class or
- 14 subclass of agricultural land and horticultural land within each county.
- 15 The committee shall ensure that the capitalization rates established
- 16 under this section result in an aggregate agricultural-use value for the
- 17 class of agricultural land and horticultural land that is seventy-five
- 18 percent of the actual value that the agricultural land and horticultural
- 19 land has for agricultural or horticultural purposes. The committee shall
- 20 <u>issue a report of the values established for each productivity group to</u>
- 21 <u>each county assessor in Nebraska no later than January 1 of each year.</u>
- 22 Sec. 8. (1) The county assessor shall implement the values
- 23 determined by the Agricultural Land Valuation Committee under section 7
- 24 of this act. The resulting assessed values for the class of agricultural
- 25 land and horticultural land shall be reported on the abstract of real
- 26 property pursuant to section 77-1514.
- 27 (2) If a county assessor, based on the facts and circumstances,
- 28 believes that the values for a productivity group as determined by the
- 29 <u>committee under sections 6 and 7 of this act result in values that are</u>
- 30 <u>not uniform and proportionate within the class of agricultural land and</u>
- 31 horticultural land, the county assessor may petition the Tax

- 1 Commissioner, on or before February 1, for an alternative value to be
- 2 <u>applied to that productivity group. The county assessor shall show that</u>
- 3 <u>the use of the committee's income as determined under section 6 of this</u>
- 4 <u>act or capitalization rate as determined under section 7 of this act</u>
- 5 <u>results in agricultural-use values that are not uniform and</u>
- 6 proportionate. The Tax Commissioner shall issue a written order to the
- 7 county assessor no later than March 1.
- 8 (3) If the Property Tax Administrator, based on the facts and
- 9 <u>circumstances</u>, believes that any agricultural-use value as implemented by
- 10 the county assessor does not comply with the requirements of the
- 11 Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act, the Property Tax Administrator may
- 12 petition the Tax Commissioner, on or before April 1, for an order to
- 13 adjust the agricultural-use value to achieve compliance with the act. The
- 14 <u>Tax Commissioner shall issue a written order to the Property Tax</u>
- 15 Administrator no later than May 1.
- 16 (4) Upon receipt of a petition by either the county assessor or the
- 17 Property Tax Administrator under this section, the Tax Commissioner shall
- 18 set a date for hearing and shall give notice thereof to the county
- 19 <u>assessor or Property Tax Administrator, as applicable. The hearing shall</u>
- 20 <u>be held at least five days following the mailing of such notice. At the</u>
- 21 <u>hearing</u>, the county assessor, the Property Tax Administrator, or the
- 22 <u>legal representative of the county assessor or Property Tax Administrator</u>
- 23 may appear and show cause why the class or subclass of agricultural land
- 24 and horticultural land in the county should or should not be adjusted. At
- 25 the hearing, the Tax Commissioner may receive testimony from any
- 26 interested person. The Tax Commissioner's order may be appealed within
- 27 thirty days after the date of the order to the Tax Equalization and
- 28 Review Commission in accordance with section 77-5013.
- 29 <u>(5) If, after the implementation of the orders described in</u>
- 30 <u>subsections (2) and (3) of this section, the Tax Commissioner finds that</u>
- 31 the aggregate agricultural-use value of the entire class of agricultural

- 1 <u>land and horticultural land is not seventy-five percent of the aggregate</u>
- 2 <u>actual value that the agricultural land and horticultural land has for</u>
- 3 <u>agricultural or horticultural purposes, the Tax Commissioner shall issue</u>
- 4 <u>an order to each county in the state to uniformly adjust the</u>
- 5 <u>agricultural-use values to comply with the requirements of section 7 of</u>
- 6 this act.
- 7 (6) On or before June 5 of each year, the county assessor of any
- 8 <u>county adjusted by an order of the Tax Commissioner shall recertify the</u>
- 9 county abstract of assessment to the Property Tax Administrator. The
- 10 Property Tax Administrator shall audit the records of the county assessor
- 11 <u>to determine whether the orders were implemented.</u>
- 12 Sec. 9. The Tax Commissioner may adopt and promulgate rules and
- 13 regulations as necessary to carry out the Agricultural Valuation Fairness
- 14 <u>Act.</u>
- 15 Sec. 10. Section 19-2428, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 16 amended to read:
- 17 19-2428 (1) Whenever the governing body of a city of the first or
- 18 second class or village creates an improvement district as specified in
- 19 section 19-2427 which includes land adjacent to such city or village and
- 20 such adjacent land is within an agricultural use zone and is used
- 21 exclusively for agricultural use, the owners of record title of such
- 22 adjacent land may apply for a deferral from special assessments pursuant
- 23 to sections 19-2428 to 19-2431.
- 24 (2) For purposes of sections 19-2428 to 19-2431:
- 25 (a) Agricultural use means the use of land as described in section 3
- 26 of this act 77-1359, so that incidental use of the land for
- 27 nonagricultural or nonhorticultural purposes shall not disqualify the
- 28 land; and
- 29 (b) Agricultural use zone means designation of any land
- 30 predominantly for agricultural or horticultural use by any political
- 31 subdivision pursuant to sections 19-924 to 19-933, Chapter 14, article 4,

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- Chapter 15, article 9, Chapter 16, article 9, Chapter 17, article 10, or 1
- 2 Chapter 23, article 1. The primary objective of the agricultural use
- 3 zoning shall be to preserve and protect agricultural activities and the
- potential for the agricultural, horticultural, or open use of land. Uses 4
- 5 to be allowed on such lands include primarily agricultural-related or
- 6 horticultural-related uses, and nonagricultural or nonhorticultural
- 7 industrial, commercial, or residential uses allowed on such lands shall
- be restricted so that they do not conflict with or detract from this 8
- 9 objective.
- Sec. 11. Section 46-294.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is 10
- 11 amended to read:
- 12 46-294.03 For purposes of assessment pursuant to the Agricultural
- Valuation Fairness Act sections 77-1343 to 77-1363, neither the temporary 13
- 14 transfer or change of an appropriation nor any resulting land-use changes
- 15 on the land to which the appropriation was appurtenant prior to the
- transfer or change shall cause the land to be reclassified to a lower 16
- 17 value use or the valuation of the land to be reduced, but the land may be
- reclassified to a higher value use and its valuation may be increased if 18
- a higher value use is made of the land while the temporary transfer or 19
- 20 change is in effect. Land from which an appropriation has been
- 21 permanently transferred shall be classified and valued for tax purposes
- 22 in accordance with the use of the land after the transfer.
- 23 Sec. 12. Section 76-710.04, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 24 2016, is amended to read:
- 76-710.04 (1) A condemner may not take property through the use of 25
- 26 eminent domain under sections 76-704 to 76-724 if the taking is primarily
- for an economic development purpose. 27
- (2) For purposes of this section, economic development purpose means 28
- 29 taking property for subsequent use by a commercial for-profit enterprise
- 30 or to increase tax revenue, tax base, employment, or general economic
- 31 conditions.

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- (3) This section does not affect the use of eminent domain for: 1
- 2 (a) Public projects or private projects that make all or a major
- 3 portion of the property available for use by the general public or for
- use as a right-of-way, aqueduct, pipeline, transmission line, or similar 4
- 5 use;
- 6 (b) Removing harmful uses of property if such uses constitute an
- 7 immediate threat to public health and safety;
- 8 (c) Leasing property to a private person who occupies an incidental
- 9 part of public property or a public facility, such as a retail
- establishment on the ground floor of a public building; 10
- 11 (d) Acquiring abandoned property;
- 12 (e) Clearing defective property title;
- (f) Taking private property for use by a utility or railroad; 13
- 14 (g) Taking private property based upon a finding of blighted or
- 15 substandard conditions under the Community Development Law if the private
- property is not agricultural land and or horticultural land as defined in 16
- 17 section 3 of this act 77-1359; and
- (h) Taking private property for a transmission line to serve a 18
- privately developed facility generating electricity using wind, solar, 19
- 20 biomass, or landfill gas. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed
- 21 to grant the power of eminent domain to a private entity.
- 22 Sec. 13. Section 77-103.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 23 amended to read:
- 24 77-103.01 Class or subclass of real property means a group of
- properties that share one or more characteristics typically common to all 25
- 26 the properties in the class or subclass, but are not typically found in
- 27 the properties outside the class or subclass. Class or subclass includes,
- but is not limited to, the classifications of agricultural land and or 28
- 29 horticultural land listed in section 5 of this act 77-1363, parcel use,
- 30 parcel type, location, geographic characteristics, zoning, city size,
- parcel size, productivity group, and market characteristics appropriate 31

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- for the valuation of such land. A class or subclass based on market 1
- 2 characteristics shall be based on characteristics that affect the actual
- 3 value in a different manner than it affects the actual value of
- properties not within the market characteristic class or subclass. 4
- 5 Sec. 14. Section 77-201, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 6 2016, is amended to read:
- 7 77-201 (1) Except as provided in subsections (2) and (3) through (4)
- 8 of this section, all real property in this state, not expressly exempt
- 9 therefrom, shall be subject to taxation and shall be valued at its actual
- value. 10
- (2) Agricultural land and horticultural land as defined in section 3 11
- 12 of this act 77-1359 shall constitute a separate and distinct class of
- property for purposes of property taxation, shall be subject to taxation, 13
- 14 unless expressly exempt from taxation, and shall be valued at seventy-
- 15 five percent of its agricultural-use actual value as provided in the
- 16 Agricultural Valuation Fairness Act.
- 17 (3) Agricultural land and horticultural land actively devoted to
- agricultural or horticultural purposes which has value for purposes other 18
- than agricultural or horticultural uses and which meets the 19
- 20 qualifications for special valuation under section 77-1344 shall
- 21 constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of
- 22 property taxation, shall be subject to taxation, and shall be valued for
- 23 taxation at seventy-five percent of its special value as defined in
- 24 section 77-1343.
- (3) (4) Historically significant real property which meets the 25
- 26 qualifications for historic rehabilitation valuation under sections
- 27 77-1385 to 77-1394 shall be valued for taxation as provided in such
- 28 sections.
- 29 (4) (5) Tangible personal property, not including motor vehicles,
- 30 trailers, and semitrailers registered for operation on the highways of
- this state, shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property 31

- for purposes of property taxation, shall be subject to taxation, unless 1 2 expressly exempt from taxation, and shall be valued at its net book 3 value. Tangible personal property transferred as a gift or devise or as part of a transaction which is not a purchase shall be subject to 4 5 taxation based upon the date the property was acquired by the previous 6 owner and at the previous owner's Nebraska adjusted basis. Tangible 7 personal property acquired as replacement property for converted property shall be subject to taxation based upon the date the converted property 8 9 was acquired and at the Nebraska adjusted basis of the converted property unless insurance proceeds are payable by reason of the conversion. For 10 11 purposes of this subsection, (a) converted property means tangible 12 personal property which is compulsorily or involuntarily converted as a result of its destruction in whole or in part, theft, seizure, 13 14 requisition, or condemnation, or the threat or imminence thereof, and no 15 gain or loss is recognized for federal or state income tax purposes by the holder of the property as a result of the conversion and (b) 16 17 replacement property means tangible personal property acquired within two 18 years after the close of the calendar year in which tangible personal property was converted and which is, except for date of construction or 19 20 manufacture, substantially the same as the converted property.
- Sec. 15. Section 77-1116, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 22 2016, is amended to read:
- 77-1116 (1) A qualified community development entity that seeks to have an equity investment or long-term debt security designated as a qualified equity investment and eligible for tax credits under the New Markets Job Growth Investment Act shall apply to the Tax Commissioner.
- There shall be no new applications for such designation filed under this section after June 30, 2017 December 31, 2022.
- 29 (2) The qualified community development entity shall submit an 30 application on a form that the Tax Commissioner provides that includes:
- 31 (a) Evidence of the entity's certification as a qualified community

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- development entity, including evidence of the service area of the entity 1
- 2 that includes this state;
- 3 (b) A copy of the allocation agreement executed by the entity, or
- the Community Development Financial 4 controlling entity, and
- 5 Institutions Fund referred to in section 77-1109;
- 6 (c) A certificate executed by an executive officer of the entity
- 7 attesting that the allocation agreement remains in effect and has not
- revoked or canceled by the Community Development Financial 8 been
- 9 Institutions Fund referred to in section 77-1109;
- (d) A description of the proposed amount, structure, and purchaser 10
- 11 of the equity investment or long-term debt security;
- 12 (e) Identifying information for any taxpayer eligible to utilize tax
- credits earned as a result of the issuance of the qualified equity 13
- 14 investment;
- 15 (f) Information regarding the proposed use of proceeds from the
- issuance of the qualified equity investment; and 16
- 17 (g) A nonrefundable application fee of five thousand dollars.
- (3) Within thirty days after receipt of a completed application 18
- containing the information necessary for the Tax Commissioner to certify 19
- a potential qualified equity investment, including the payment of the 20
- 21 application fee, the Tax Commissioner shall grant or deny the application
- 22 in full or in part. If the Tax Commissioner denies any part of the
- 23 application, the Tax Commissioner shall inform the qualified community
- 24 development entity of the grounds for the denial. If the qualified
- community development entity provides any additional information required 25
- 26 by the Tax Commissioner or otherwise completes its application within
- 27 fifteen days after the notice of denial, the application shall be
- considered completed as of the original date of submission. If the 28
- 29 qualified community development entity fails to provide the information
- 30 or complete its application within the fifteen-day period,
- application remains denied and must be resubmitted in full with a new 31

- 1 submission date.
- 2 (4) If the application is deemed complete, the Tax Commissioner 3 shall certify the proposed equity investment or long-term debt security as a qualified equity investment that is eligible for tax credits, 4 5 subject to the limitations contained in section 77-1115. The 6 Commissioner shall provide written notice of the certification to the 7 qualified community development entity. The notice shall include the names of those taxpayers who are eligible to utilize the credits and 8 9 their respective credit amounts. If the names of the taxpayers who are eligible to utilize the credits change due to a transfer of a qualified 10 11 equity investment or a change in an allocation pursuant to section 12 77-1114, the qualified community development entity shall notify the Tax Commissioner of such change. 13
- 14 (5) The Tax Commissioner shall certify qualified equity investments 15 in the order applications are received. Applications received on the same be deemed to have been received simultaneously. 16 day shall applications received on the same day and deemed complete, the Tax 17 Commissioner shall certify, consistent with remaining tax credit 18 capacity, qualified equity investments in proportionate percentages based 19 20 upon the ratio of the amount of qualified equity investment requested in 21 an application to the total amount of qualified equity investments 22 requested in all applications received on the same day.
- 23 (6) Once the Tax Commissioner has certified qualified equity 24 investments that, on a cumulative basis, are eligible for the maximum limitation contained in section 77-1115, the Tax Commissioner may not 25 26 certify any more qualified equity investments for that fiscal year. If a 27 pending request cannot be fully certified, the Tax Commissioner shall certify the portion that may be certified unless the qualified community 28 29 development entity elects to withdraw its request rather than receive 30 partial credit.
- 31 (7) Within thirty days after receiving notice of certification, the

- 1 qualified community development entity shall issue the qualified equity
- 2 investment and receive cash in the amount of the certified amount. The
- 3 qualified community development entity shall provide the Tax Commissioner
- 4 with evidence of the receipt of the cash investment within ten business
- 5 days after receipt. If the qualified community development entity does
- 6 not receive the cash investment and issue the qualified equity investment
- 7 within thirty days after receipt of the certification notice, the
- 8 certification shall lapse and the entity may not issue the qualified
- 9 equity investment without reapplying to the Tax Commissioner for
- 10 certification. A certification that lapses reverts back to the Tax
- 11 Commissioner and may be reissued only in accordance with the application
- 12 process outlined in this section.
- 13 Sec. 16. Section 77-1327, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 14 2016, is amended to read:
- 15 77-1327 (1) It is the intent of the Legislature that accurate and
- 16 comprehensive information be developed by the Property Tax Administrator
- 17 and made accessible to the taxing officials and property owners in order
- 18 to ensure the uniformity and proportionality of the assessments of real
- 19 property valuations in the state in accordance with law and to provide
- 20 the statistical and narrative reports pursuant to section 77-5027.
- 21 (2) All transactions of real property for which the statement
- 22 required in section 76-214 is filed shall be available for development of
- 23 a sales file by the Property Tax Administrator. All transactions with
- 24 stated consideration of more than one hundred dollars or upon which more
- 25 than two dollars and twenty-five cents in documentary stamp taxes are
- 26 paid shall be considered sales. All sales shall be deemed to be arm's
- 27 length transactions unless determined to be otherwise under
- 28 professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques. The Department of
- 29 Revenue shall not overturn a determination made by a county assessor
- 30 regarding the qualification of a sale unless the department reviews the
- 31 sale and determines through the review that the determination made by the

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1 county assessor is incorrect.

2 (3) The Property Tax Administrator annually shall make and issue 3 comprehensive assessment ratio studies of the average level assessment, the degree of assessment uniformity, and the overall 4 5 compliance with assessment requirements for each major class of real 6 property, except agricultural land and horticultural land, that is 7 subject to the property tax in each county. The comprehensive assessment 8 ratio studies shall be developed in compliance with professionally 9 accepted mass appraisal techniques and shall employ such statistical analysis as deemed appropriate by the Property Tax Administrator, 10 11 including measures of central tendency and dispersion. The comprehensive 12 assessment ratio studies shall be based upon the sales file as developed in subsection (2) of this section and shall be used by the Property Tax 13 14 Administrator for the analysis of the level of value and quality of 15 assessment for purposes of section 77-5027 and by the Property Tax Administrator in establishing the adjusted valuations required by section 16 17 79-1016. Such studies may also be used by assessing officials in establishing assessed valuations. 18

19 (4) For purposes of determining the level of value of agricultural 20 and horticultural land subject to special valuation under sections 21 77-1343 to 77-1347.01, the Property Tax Administrator shall annually make 22 and issue a comprehensive study developed in compliance with 23 professionally accepted mass appraisal techniques to establish the level 24 of value if in his or her opinion the level of value cannot be developed 25 through the use of the comprehensive assessment ratio studies developed 26 in subsection (3) of this section.

(4) (5) County assessors and other taxing officials shall electronically report data on the assessed valuation and other features of the property assessment process for such periods and in such form and content as the Property Tax Administrator shall deem appropriate. The Property Tax Administrator shall so construct and maintain the system LB233 MLU - 05/05/2017

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- used to collect and analyze the data to enable him or her to make 1
- 2 intracounty comparisons of assessed valuation, including school districts
- 3 and other political subdivisions, as well as intercounty comparisons of
- assessed valuation, including school districts and other political 4
- 5 subdivisions. The Property Tax Administrator shall include analysis of
- 6 real property sales pursuant to land contracts and similar transfers at
- 7 the time of execution of the contract or similar transfer.
- 8 Sec. 17. Section 77-1371, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 9 2016, is amended to read:
- 77-1371 Comparable sales are recent sales of properties that are 10
- 11 similar to the property being assessed in significant physical,
- functional, and location characteristics and in their contribution to 12
- value. When using comparable sales in determining actual value of an 13
- 14 individual property under the sales comparison approach provided in
- 15 section 77-112, the following guidelines shall be considered in
- determining what constitutes a comparable sale: 16
- 17 (1) Whether the sale was financed by the seller and included any
- special financing considerations or the value of improvements; 18
- (2) Whether zoning affected the sale price of the property; 19
- (3) For sales of agricultural land and or horticultural land as 20
- 21 defined in section 3 of this act 77-1359, whether a premium was paid to
- 22 acquire property. A premium may be paid when proximity or
- 23 consequences cause the buyer to pay more than actual value for
- 24 agricultural land and or horticultural land;
- (4) Whether sales or transfers made in connection with foreclosure, 25
- 26 bankruptcy, or condemnations, in lieu of foreclosure, or in consideration
- 27 of other legal actions should be excluded from comparable sales analysis
- as not reflecting current market value; 28
- 29 (5) Whether sales between family members within the third degree of
- 30 consanguinity include considerations that fail to reflect current market
- 31 value;

- (6) Whether sales to or from federal or state agencies or local 1 political subdivisions reflect current market value; 2
- 3 (7) Whether sales of undivided interests in real property or parcels
- less than forty acres or sales conveying only a portion of the unit 4
- 5 assessed reflect current market value;
- 6 (8) Whether sales or transfers of property in exchange for other
- 7 real estate, stocks, bonds, or other personal property reflect current
- 8 market value;
- 9 (9) Whether deeds recorded for transfers of convenience, transfers
- of title to cemetery lots, mineral rights, and rights of easement reflect 10
- 11 current market value;
- (10) Whether sales or transfers of property involving railroads or 12
- other public utility corporations reflect current market value; 13
- 14 (11) Whether sales of property substantially improved subsequent to
- 15 assessment and prior to sale should be adjusted to reflect current market
- 16 value or eliminated from such analysis; and
- 17 (12) For agricultural land or horticultural land as defined in
- 18 section 77-1359 which is or has been receiving the special valuation
- 19 pursuant to sections 77-1343 to 77-1347.01, whether the sale price
- 20 reflects a value which the land has for purposes or uses other than as
- agricultural land or horticultural land and therefor does not reflect 21
- 22 current market value of other agricultural land or horticultural land;
- 23 (12) (13) Whether sales or transfers of property are in a similar
- 24 market area and have similar characteristics to the property being
- 25 assessed<u>.</u> ; and
- 26 (14) For agricultural land and horticultural land as defined in
- 27 section 77-1359 which is within a class or subclass of irrigated cropland
- 28 pursuant to section 77-1363, whether the difference in well capacity or
- 29 in water availability due to federal, state, or local regulatory actions
- 30 or limited source affected the sale price of the property. If data on
- 31 current well capacity or current water availability is not available from

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a federal, state, or local government entity, this subdivision shall not 1

- be used to determine what constitutes a comparable sale. 2
- 3 The Property Tax Administrator may issue guidelines for assessing
- officials for use in determining what constitutes a comparable sale. 4
- 5 Guidelines shall take into account the factors listed in this section and
- 6 other relevant factors as prescribed by the Property Tax Administrator.
- 7 Sec. 18. Section 77-1502, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2016, is amended to read: 8
- 9 77-1502 (1) The county board of equalization shall meet for the
- purpose of reviewing and deciding written protests filed pursuant to this 10
- 11 section beginning on or after June 1 and ending on or before July 25 of
- 12 each year. Protests regarding real property shall be signed and filed
- after the county assessor's completion of the real property assessment 13
- 14 roll required by section 77-1315 and on or before June 30. For protests
- 15 of real property, a protest shall be filed for each parcel. Protests
- regarding taxable tangible personal property returns filed pursuant to 16
- 17 section 77-1229 from January 1 through May 1 shall be signed and filed on
- or before June 30. The county board in a county with a population of more 18
- than one hundred thousand inhabitants based upon the most recent federal 19
- 20 decennial census may adopt a resolution to extend the deadline for
- 21 hearing protests from July 25 to August 10. The resolution must be
- 22 adopted before July 25 and it will affect the time for hearing protests
- 23 for that year only. By adopting such resolution, such county waives any
- 24 right to petition the Tax Equalization and Review Commission for
- adjustment of a class or subclass of real property under section 25
- 26 77-1504.01 for that year.
- 27 (2) Each protest shall be signed and filed with the county clerk of
- the county where the property is assessed. The protest shall contain or 28
- 29 have attached a statement of the reason or reasons why the requested
- 30 change should be made and a description of the property to which the
- protest applies. If the property is real property, a description adequate 31

- 1 to identify each parcel shall be provided. If the property is tangible
- 2 personal property, a physical description of the property under protest
- 3 shall be provided. If the protest does not contain or have attached the
- 4 statement of the reason or reasons for the protest or the applicable
- 5 description of the property, the protest shall be dismissed by the county
- 6 board of equalization.
- 7 (3) Beginning January 1, 2014, in counties with a population of at
- 8 least one hundred fifty thousand inhabitants according to the most recent
- 9 federal decennial census, for a protest regarding real property, each
- 10 protester shall be afforded the opportunity to meet in person with the
- 11 county board of equalization or a referee appointed under section
- 12 77-1502.01 to provide information relevant to the protested property
- 13 value.
- 14 (4) No hearing of the county board of equalization on a protest
- 15 filed under this section shall be held before a single commissioner or
- 16 supervisor.
- 17 <u>(5) For agricultural land and horticultural land, the county board</u>
- 18 of equalization may correct errors in those characteristics affecting the
- 19 income-producing capability of such land or may correct the resulting
- 20 <u>value of such land. Protests of such characteristics or values shall be</u>
- 21 <u>made on a form prescribed by the Tax Commissioner.</u>
- 22 (6) (5) The county clerk or county assessor shall prepare a separate
- 23 report on each protest. The report shall include (a) a description
- 24 adequate to identify the real property or a physical description of the
- 25 tangible personal property to which the protest applies, (b) any
- 26 recommendation of the county assessor for action on the protest, (c) if a
- 27 referee is used, the recommendation of the referee, (d) the date the
- 28 county board of equalization heard the protest, (e) the decision made by
- 29 the county board of equalization, (f) the date of the decision, and (g)
- 30 the date notice of the decision was mailed to the protester. The report
- 31 shall contain, or have attached to it, a statement, signed by the

- 1 chairperson of the county board of equalization, describing the basis
- 2 upon which the board's decision was made. The report shall have attached
- 3 to it a copy of that portion of the property record file which
- 4 substantiates calculation of the protested value unless the county
- 5 assessor certifies to the county board of equalization that a copy is
- 6 maintained in either electronic or paper form in his or her office. One
- 7 copy of the report, if prepared by the county clerk, shall be given to
- 8 the county assessor on or before August 2. The county assessor shall have
- 9 no authority to make a change in the assessment rolls until there is in
- 10 his or her possession a report which has been completed in the manner
- 11 specified in this section. If the county assessor deems a report
- 12 submitted by the county clerk incomplete, the county assessor shall
- 13 return the same to the county clerk for proper preparation.
- 14 (7) (6) On or before August 2, or on or before August 18 in a county
- 15 that has adopted a resolution to extend the deadline for hearing
- 16 protests, the county clerk shall mail to the protester written notice of
- 17 the board's decision. The notice shall contain a statement advising the
- 18 protester that a report of the board's decision is available at the
- 19 county clerk's or county assessor's office, whichever is appropriate.
- Sec. 19. Section 77-1507.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
- 21 is amended to read:
- 22 77-1507.01 Any person otherwise having a right to appeal may
- 23 petition the Tax Equalization and Review Commission in accordance with
- 24 section 77-5013, on or before December 31 of each year, to determine the
- 25 actual value or agricultural-use special value of real property for that
- 26 year if a failure to give notice prevented timely filing of a protest or
- 27 appeal provided for in sections 77-1501 to 77-1510.
- Sec. 20. Section 77-2715.09, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
- 29 is amended to read:
- 30 77-2715.09 (1) Subject to subsection (4) of this section, every
- 31 Every resident individual may elect under this section to subtract from

- 1 federal adjusted gross income, or for trusts qualifying under subdivision
- 2 (2)(c) of this section from taxable income, the extraordinary dividends
- 3 paid on and the capital gain from the sale or exchange of capital stock
- 4 of a corporation acquired by the individual (a) on account of employment
- 5 by such corporation or (b) while employed by such corporation.
- 6 (2)(a) Each individual shall be entitled to one election under
- 7 subsection (1) of this section during his or her lifetime for the capital
- 8 stock of one corporation.
- 9 (b) The election shall apply to subsequent extraordinary dividends
- 10 paid and sales and exchanges in any taxable year if the dividend is
- 11 received on, or the sale or exchange is of, capital stock in the same
- 12 corporation and such capital stock was acquired as provided in subsection
- 13 (1) of this section.
- 14 (c) After the individual makes an election, such election shall
- 15 apply to extraordinary dividends paid on, and the sale or exchange of,
- 16 capital stock of the corporation transferred by inter vivos gift from the
- 17 individual to his or her spouse or issue or a trust for the benefit of
- 18 the individual's spouse or issue if such capital stock was acquired as
- 19 provided in subsection (1) of this section. This subdivision shall apply,
- 20 in the case of the spouse, only if the spouse was married to such
- 21 individual on the date of the extraordinary dividend or sale or exchange
- 22 or the date of death of the individual.
- 23 (d) If the individual dies without making an election, the surviving
- 24 spouse or, if there is no surviving spouse, the oldest surviving issue
- 25 may make the election for capital stock that would have qualified under
- 26 subdivision (c) of this subsection.
- 27 (3) An election under subsection (1) of this section shall be made
- 28 by including a written statement with the taxpayer's Nebraska income tax
- 29 return or an amended return for the taxable year for which the election
- 30 is made. The written statement shall identify the corporation that issued
- 31 the stock and the grounds for the election under this section and shall

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- state that the taxpayer elects to have this section apply. 1
- 2 (4) The subtractions for extraordinary dividends and capital gains
- 3 authorized in this section shall not be allowed for taxable years
- beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2017, under the 4
- 5 <u>Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.</u>
- 6 Sec. 21. Section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 7 2016, is amended to read:
- 8 77-2716 (1) The following adjustments to federal adjusted gross
- 9 income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall
- be made for interest or dividends received: 10
- 11 (a)(i) There shall be subtracted interest or dividends received by
- 12 the owner of obligations of the United States and its territories and
- possessions or of any authority, commission, or instrumentality of the 13
- 14 United States to the extent includable in gross income for federal income
- 15 tax purposes but exempt from state income taxes under the laws of the
- United States; and 16
- 17 (ii) There shall be subtracted interest received by the owner of
- obligations of the State of Nebraska or its political subdivisions or 18
- authorities which are Build America Bonds to the extent includable in 19
- 20 gross income for federal income tax purposes;
- 21 (b) There shall be subtracted that portion of the total dividends
- 22 and other income received from a regulated investment company which is
- 23 attributable to obligations described in subdivision (a) of this
- 24 subsection as reported to the recipient by the regulated investment
- 25 company;
- 26 (c) There shall be added interest or dividends received by the owner
- 27 of obligations of the District of Columbia, other states of the United
- States, or their political subdivisions, authorities, commissions, or 28
- 29 instrumentalities to the extent excluded in the computation of gross
- 30 income for federal income tax purposes except that such interest or
- dividends shall not be added if received by a corporation which is a 31

- 1 regulated investment company;
- 2 (d) There shall be added that portion of the total dividends and
- 3 other income received from a regulated investment company which is
- 4 attributable to obligations described in subdivision (c) of this
- 5 subsection and excluded for federal income tax purposes as reported to
- 6 the recipient by the regulated investment company; and
- 7 (e)(i) Any amount subtracted under this subsection shall be reduced
- 8 by any interest on indebtedness incurred to carry the obligations or
- 9 securities described in this subsection or the investment in the
- 10 regulated investment company and by any expenses incurred in the
- 11 production of interest or dividend income described in this subsection to
- 12 the extent that such expenses, including amortizable bond premiums, are
- 13 deductible in determining federal taxable income.
- 14 (ii) Any amount added under this subsection shall be reduced by any
- 15 expenses incurred in the production of such income to the extent
- 16 disallowed in the computation of federal taxable income.
- 17 (2) There shall be allowed a net operating loss derived from or
- 18 connected with Nebraska sources computed under rules and regulations
- 19 adopted and promulgated by the Tax Commissioner consistent, to the extent
- 20 possible under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, with the laws of the
- 21 United States. For a resident individual, estate, or trust, the net
- 22 operating loss computed on the federal income tax return shall be
- 23 adjusted by the modifications contained in this section. For a
- 24 nonresident individual, estate, or trust or for a partial-year resident
- 25 individual, the net operating loss computed on the federal return shall
- 26 be adjusted by the modifications contained in this section and any
- 27 carryovers or carrybacks shall be limited to the portion of the loss
- 28 derived from or connected with Nebraska sources.
- 29 (3) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income for
- 30 all taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 1987, the amount of
- 31 any state income tax refund to the extent such refund was deducted under

- 1 the Internal Revenue Code, was not allowed in the computation of the tax
- 2 due under the Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967, and is included in federal
- 3 adjusted gross income.
- 4 (4) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1,
- 5 <u>2017</u>, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal
- 6 Federal adjusted gross income, or, for a fiduciary, federal taxable
- 7 income shall be modified to exclude the portion of the income or loss
- 8 received from a small business corporation with an election in effect
- 9 under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code or from a limited
- 10 liability company organized pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Limited
- 11 Liability Company Act that is not derived from or connected with Nebraska
- 12 sources as determined in section 77-2734.01.
- 13 (5) There shall be subtracted from federal adjusted gross income or,
- 14 for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income dividends
- 15 received or deemed to be received from corporations which are not subject
- 16 to the Internal Revenue Code.
- 17 (6) There shall be subtracted from federal taxable income a portion
- 18 of the income earned by a corporation subject to the Internal Revenue
- 19 Code of 1986 that is actually taxed by a foreign country or one of its
- 20 political subdivisions at a rate in excess of the maximum federal tax
- 21 rate for corporations. The taxpayer may make the computation for each
- 22 foreign country or for groups of foreign countries. The portion of the
- 23 taxes that may be deducted shall be computed in the following manner:
- 24 (a) The amount of federal taxable income from operations within a
- 25 foreign taxing jurisdiction shall be reduced by the amount of taxes
- 26 actually paid to the foreign jurisdiction that are not deductible solely
- 27 because the foreign tax credit was elected on the federal income tax
- 28 return;
- 29 (b) The amount of after-tax income shall be divided by one minus the
- 30 maximum tax rate for corporations in the Internal Revenue Code; and
- 31 (c) The result of the calculation in subdivision (b) of this

- 1 subsection shall be subtracted from the amount of federal taxable income
- 2 used in subdivision (a) of this subsection. The result of such
- 3 calculation, if greater than zero, shall be subtracted from federal
- 4 taxable income.
- 5 (7) Federal adjusted gross income shall be modified to exclude any
- 6 amount repaid by the taxpayer for which a reduction in federal tax is
- 7 allowed under section 1341(a)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 8 (8)(a) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and
- 9 fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be reduced, to the extent
- 10 included, by income from interest, earnings, and state contributions
- 11 received from the Nebraska educational savings plan trust created in
- 12 sections 85-1801 to 85-1814 and any account established under the
- 13 achieving a better life experience program as provided in sections
- 14 77-1401 to 77-1409.
- 15 (b) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and
- 16 fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be reduced by any contributions
- 17 as a participant in the Nebraska educational savings plan trust or
- 18 contributions to an account established under the achieving a better life
- 19 experience program made for the benefit of a beneficiary as provided in
- 20 sections 77-1401 to 77-1409, to the extent not deducted for federal
- 21 income tax purposes, but not to exceed five thousand dollars per married
- 22 filing separate return or ten thousand dollars for any other return. With
- 23 respect to a qualified rollover within the meaning of section 529 of the
- 24 Internal Revenue Code from another state's plan, any interest, earnings,
- 25 and state contributions received from the other state's educational
- 26 savings plan which is qualified under section 529 of the code shall
- 27 qualify for the reduction provided in this subdivision. For contributions
- 28 by a custodian of a custodial account including rollovers from another
- 29 custodial account, the reduction shall only apply to funds added to the
- 30 custodial account after January 1, 2014.
- 31 (c) Federal adjusted gross income or, for corporations and

- 1 fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be increased by:
- 2 (i) The amount resulting from the cancellation of a participation
- 3 agreement refunded to the taxpayer as a participant in the Nebraska
- 4 educational savings plan trust to the extent previously deducted under
- 5 subdivision (8)(b) of this section; and
- 6 (ii) The amount of any withdrawals by the owner of an account
- 7 established under the achieving a better life experience program as
- 8 provided in sections 77-1401 to 77-1409 for nonqualified expenses to the
- 9 extent previously deducted under subdivision (8)(b) of this section.
- 10 (9)(a) For income tax returns filed after September 10, 2001, for
- 11 taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 2006, under
- 12 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross
- 13 income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall
- 14 be increased by eighty-five percent of any amount of any federal bonus
- 15 depreciation received under the federal Job Creation and Worker
- 16 Assistance Act of 2002 or the federal Jobs and Growth Tax Act of 2003,
- 17 under section 168(k) or section 1400L of the Internal Revenue Code of
- 18 1986, as amended, for assets placed in service after September 10, 2001,
- 19 and before December 31, 2005.
- 20 (b) For a partnership, limited liability company, cooperative,
- 21 including any cooperative exempt from income taxes under section 521 of
- 22 the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, limited cooperative
- 23 association, subchapter S corporation, or joint venture, the increase
- 24 shall be distributed to the partners, members, shareholders, patrons, or
- 25 beneficiaries in the same manner as income is distributed for use against
- 26 their income tax liabilities.
- 27 (c) For a corporation with a unitary business having activity both
- 28 inside and outside the state, the increase shall be apportioned to
- 29 Nebraska in the same manner as income is apportioned to the state by
- 30 section 77-2734.05.
- 31 (d) The amount of bonus depreciation added to federal adjusted gross

income or, for corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income by 1 2 this subsection shall be subtracted in a later taxable year. Twenty 3 percent of the total amount of bonus depreciation added back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 4 5 2003, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, may be 6 subtracted in the first taxable year beginning or deemed to begin on or 7 after January 1, 2005, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as 8 amended, and twenty percent in each of the next four following taxable 9 years. Twenty percent of the total amount of bonus depreciation added back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed to begin on or 10 11 after January 1, 2003, may be subtracted in the first taxable year 12 beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and twenty percent in each of 13 14 the next four following taxable years.

15 (10) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2003, and before January 1, 2006, under the Internal Revenue 16 17 Code of 1986, as amended, federal adjusted gross income or, corporations and fiduciaries, federal taxable income shall be increased 18 by the amount of any capital investment that is expensed under section 19 20 179 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, that is in excess 21 of twenty-five thousand dollars that is allowed under the federal Jobs 22 and Growth Tax Act of 2003. Twenty percent of the total amount of 23 expensing added back by this subsection for tax years beginning or deemed 24 to begin on or after January 1, 2003, may be subtracted in the first taxable year beginning or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2006, 25 26 under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and twenty percent 27 in each of the next four following tax years.

(11)(a) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before
January 1, 2018, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended,
federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by contributions, up to
two thousand dollars per married filing jointly return or one thousand

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- dollars for any other return, and any investment earnings made as a 1
- participant in the Nebraska long-term care savings plan under the Long-2
- 3 Term Care Savings Plan Act, to the extent not deducted for federal income
- 4 tax purposes.
- 5 (b) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1,
- 6 2018, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, federal
- 7 adjusted gross income shall be increased by the withdrawals made as a
- 8 participant in the Nebraska long-term care savings plan under the act by
- 9 a person who is not a qualified individual or for any reason other than
- transfer of funds to a spouse, long-term care expenses, long-term care 10
- 11 insurance premiums, or death of the participant, including withdrawals
- 12 made by reason of cancellation of the participation agreement, to the
- extent previously deducted as a contribution or as investment earnings. 13
- 14 (12) There shall be added to federal adjusted gross income for
- 15 individuals, estates, and trusts any amount taken as a credit for
- franchise tax paid by a financial institution under sections 77-3801 to 16
- 17 77-3807 as allowed by subsection (5) of section 77-2715.07.
- (13) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after 18
- January 1, 2015, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, 19
- federal adjusted gross income shall be reduced by the amount received as 20
- 21 benefits under the federal Social Security Act which are included in the
- 22 federal adjusted gross income if:
- 23 (a) For taxpayers filing a married filing joint return, federal
- 24 adjusted gross income is fifty-eight thousand dollars or less; or
- (b) For taxpayers filing any other return, federal adjusted gross 25
- 26 income is forty-three thousand dollars or less.
- 27 (14) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after
- January 1, 2015, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, an 28
- 29 individual may make a one-time election within two calendar years after
- 30 the date of his or her retirement from the military to exclude income
- received as a military retirement benefit by the individual to the extent 31

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included in federal adjusted gross income and as provided in this subsection. The individual may elect to exclude forty percent of his or her military retirement benefit income for seven consecutive taxable years beginning with the year in which the election is made or may elect to exclude fifteen percent of his or her military retirement benefit income for all taxable years beginning with the year in which he or she turns sixty-seven years of age. For purposes of this subsection, military

income for all taxable years beginning with the year in which he or she turns sixty-seven years of age. For purposes of this subsection, military retirement benefit means retirement benefits that are periodic payments attributable to service in the uniformed services of the United States for personal services performed by an individual prior to his or her retirement.

Sec. 22. Section 77-2734.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, is amended to read:

14 77-2734.01 (1)(a) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin 15 before January 1, 2017, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, residents (1) Residents of Nebraska who are shareholders of a 16 small business corporation having an election in effect under subchapter 17 S of the Internal Revenue Code or who are members of a limited liability 18 company organized pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability 19 20 Company Act shall include in their Nebraska taxable income, to the extent 21 includable in federal gross income, their proportionate share of such 22 corporation's or limited liability company's federal income adjusted 23 pursuant to this section. Income or loss from such corporation or limited 24 liability company conducting a business, trade, profession, or occupation shall be included in the Nebraska taxable income of a shareholder or 25 26 member who is a resident of this state to the extent of such 27 shareholder's or member's proportionate share of the net income or loss from the conduct of such business, trade, profession, or occupation 28 29 within this state, determined under subsection (2) of this section.

(b) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin on or after

January 1, 2017, under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended,

- 1 residents of Nebraska who are shareholders of a small business
- 2 <u>corporation having an election in effect under subchapter S of the</u>
- 3 <u>Internal Revenue Code or who are members of a limited liability company</u>
- 4 organized pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act
- 5 <u>shall include in their Nebraska taxable income, to the extent includable</u>
- 6 in federal gross income, their proportionate share of such corporation's
- 7 or limited liability company's federal income without any adjustments
- 8 <u>pursuant to this section.</u>
- 9 <u>(c) For all taxable years, a</u> A resident of Nebraska shall include in
- 10 Nebraska taxable income fair compensation for services rendered to such
- 11 corporation or limited liability company. Compensation actually paid
- 12 shall be presumed to be fair unless it is apparent to the Tax
- 13 Commissioner that such compensation is materially different from fair
- 14 value for the services rendered or has been manipulated for tax avoidance
- 15 purposes.
- 16 (2) The income of any small business corporation having an election
- 17 in effect under subchapter S of the Internal Revenue Code or limited
- 18 liability company organized pursuant to the Nebraska Uniform Limited
- 19 Liability Company Act that is derived from or connected with Nebraska
- 20 sources shall be determined in the following manner:
- 21 (a) If the small business corporation is a member of a unitary
- 22 group, the small business corporation shall be deemed to be doing
- 23 business within this state if any part of its income is derived from
- 24 transactions with other members of the unitary group doing business
- 25 within this state, and such corporation shall apportion its income by
- 26 using the apportionment factor determined for the entire unitary group,
- 27 including the small business corporation, under sections 77-2734.05 to
- 28 77-2734.15;
- 29 (b) If the small business corporation or limited liability company
- 30 is not a member of a unitary group and is subject to tax in another
- 31 state, it shall apportion its income under sections 77-2734.05 to

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- 1 77-2734.15; and
- 2 (c) If the small business corporation or limited liability company
- 3 is not subject to tax in another state, all of its income is derived from
- or connected with Nebraska sources. 4
- 5 Nonresidents of Nebraska who are shareholders of such
- 6 corporations or members of such limited liability companies shall file a
- 7 Nebraska income tax return and shall include in Nebraska adjusted gross
- 8 income their proportionate share of the corporation's or
- 9 liability company's Nebraska income as determined under subsection (2) of
- this section. 10
- 11 (4) The nonresident shareholder or member shall execute and forward
- 12 to the corporation or limited liability company before the filing of the
- corporation's or limited liability company's return an agreement which 13
- 14 states he or she will file a Nebraska income tax return and pay the tax
- 15 on the income derived from or connected with sources in this state, and
- such agreement shall be attached to the corporation's or limited 16
- 17 liability company's Nebraska return for such taxable year.
- (5) For taxable years beginning or deemed to begin before January 1, 18
- 2013, in the absence of the nonresident shareholder's or member's 19
- 20 executed agreement being attached to the Nebraska return, the corporation
- 21 or limited liability company shall remit with the return an amount equal
- 22 to the highest individual income tax rate determined under section
- 23 77-2715.02 multiplied by the nonresident shareholder's or member's share
- 24 of the corporation's or limited liability company's income which was
- derived from or attributable to this state. For taxable years beginning 25
- 26 or deemed to begin on or after January 1, 2013, in the absence of the
- 27 nonresident shareholder's or member's executed agreement being attached
- to the Nebraska return, the corporation or limited liability company 28
- 29 shall remit with the return an amount equal to the highest individual
- 30 income tax rate determined under section 77-2715.03 multiplied by the
- nonresident shareholder's or member's share of the corporation's or 31

- limited liability company's income which was derived from or attributable 1
- 2 to this state. The amount remitted shall be allowed as a credit against
- 3 the Nebraska income tax liability of the shareholder or member.
- (6) The Tax Commissioner may allow a nonresident individual 4
- 5 shareholder or member to not file a Nebraska income tax return if the
- 6 nonresident individual shareholder's or member's only source of Nebraska
- 7 income was his or her share of the small business corporation's or
- 8 limited liability company's income which was derived from or attributable
- 9 to sources within this state, the nonresident did not file an agreement
- to file a Nebraska income tax return, and the small business corporation 10
- 11 limited liability company has remitted the amount required by
- 12 subsection (5) of this section on behalf of such nonresident individual
- shareholder or member. The amount remitted shall be retained in 13
- 14 satisfaction of the Nebraska income tax liability of the nonresident
- 15 individual shareholder or member.
- (7) A small business corporation or limited liability company return 16
- 17 shall be filed only if one or more of the shareholders of the corporation
- or members of the limited liability company are not residents of the 18
- State of Nebraska or, for taxable years beginning or deemed to begin 19
- 20 before January 1, 2017, if such corporation or limited liability company
- 21 has income derived from sources outside this state.
- 22 (8) For purposes of this section, any shareholder or member of the
- 23 corporation or limited liability company that is a grantor trust of a
- 24 nonresident shall be disregarded and this section shall apply as though
- the nonresident grantor was the shareholder or member. 25
- 26 Sec. 23. Section 77-2912, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2016, is amended to read: 27
- 77-2912 There shall be no new applications filed under the Nebraska 28
- 29 Job Creation and Mainstreet Revitalization Act after June 30, 2017
- 30 December 31, 2022. All applications and all credits pending or approved
- before such date shall continue in full force and effect, except that no 31

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- credits shall be allocated under section 77-2905, issued under section 1
- 2 77-2906, or used on any tax return or similar filing after December 31,
- 3 2027.
- Sec. 24. Section 77-4212, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 4
- 5 2016, is amended to read:
- 6 77-4212 (1) For tax year 2007, the amount of relief granted under
- 7 the Property Tax Credit Act shall be one hundred five million dollars.
- 8 For tax year 2008, the amount of relief granted under the act shall be
- 9 one hundred fifteen million dollars. It is the intent of the Legislature
- to fund the Property Tax Credit Act for tax years after tax year 2008 10
- 11 using available revenue. For tax year 2017, the amount of relief granted
- 12 under the act shall be two hundred twenty-four million dollars. The
- relief shall be in the form of a property tax credit which appears on the 13
- 14 property tax statement.
- 15 (2)(a) For tax years prior to tax year 2017, to determine the amount
- of the property tax credit, the county treasurer shall multiply the 16
- 17 amount disbursed to the county under subdivision (4)(a) of this section
- by the ratio of the real property valuation of the parcel to the total 18
- real property valuation in the county. The amount determined shall be the 19
- 20 property tax credit for the property.
- 21 (b) Beginning with tax year 2017, to determine the amount of the
- 22 property tax credit, the county treasurer shall multiply the amount
- 23 disbursed to the county under subdivision (4)(b) of this section by the
- 24 ratio of the credit allocation valuation of the parcel to the total
- credit allocation valuation in the county. The amount determined shall be 25
- 26 the property tax credit for the property.
- 27 (3) If the real property owner qualifies for a homestead exemption
- under sections 77-3501 to 77-3529, the owner shall also be qualified for 28
- 29 the relief provided in the act to the extent of any remaining liability
- 30 after calculation of the relief provided by the homestead exemption. If
- the credit results in a property tax liability on the homestead that is 31

1 less than zero, the amount of the credit which cannot be used by the

- 2 taxpayer shall be returned to the State Treasurer by July 1 of the year
- 3 the amount disbursed to the county was disbursed. The State Treasurer
- 4 shall immediately credit any funds returned under this section to the
- 5 Property Tax Credit Cash Fund.
- 6 (4)(a) For tax years prior to tax year 2017, the amount disbursed to 7 each county shall be equal to the amount available for disbursement 8 determined under subsection (1) of this section multiplied by the ratio 9 of the real property valuation in the county to the real property valuation in the state. By September 15, the Property Tax Administrator 10 11 shall determine the amount to be disbursed under this subdivision to each 12 county and certify such amounts to the State Treasurer and to each county. The disbursements to the counties shall occur in two equal 13 14 payments, the first on or before January 31 and the second on or before 15 April 1. After retaining one percent of the receipts for costs, the county treasurer shall allocate the remaining receipts to each taxing 16 17 unit levying taxes on taxable property in the tax district in which the 18 real property is located in the same proportion that the levy of such taxing unit bears to the total levy on taxable property of all the taxing 19 20 units in the tax district in which the real property is located.
- 21 (b) Beginning with tax year 2017, the amount disbursed to each 22 county shall be equal to the amount available for disbursement determined 23 under subsection (1) of this section multiplied by the ratio of the 24 credit allocation valuation in the county to the credit allocation valuation in the state. By September 15, the Property Tax Administrator 25 26 shall determine the amount to be disbursed under this subdivision to each 27 county and certify such amounts to the State Treasurer and to each county. The disbursements to the counties shall occur in two equal 28 29 payments, the first on or before January 31 and the second on or before 30 April 1. After retaining one percent of the receipts for costs, the county treasurer shall allocate the remaining receipts to each taxing 31

- unit based on its share of the credits granted to all taxpayers in the 1
- 2 taxing unit.
- 3 (5) For purposes of this section, credit allocation valuation means
- the taxable value for all real property except agricultural land and 4
- 5 horticultural land, and one hundred twenty percent of taxable value for
- 6 agricultural land and horticultural land that is not subject to special
- 7 valuation, and one hundred twenty percent of taxable value for
- 8 agricultural land and horticultural land that is subject to special
- 9 valuation.
- (6) The State Treasurer shall transfer from the General Fund to the 10
- 11 Property Tax Credit Cash Fund one hundred five million dollars by August
- 1, 2007, and one hundred fifteen million dollars by August 1, 2008. 12
- (7) The Legislature shall have the power to transfer funds from the 13
- 14 Property Tax Credit Cash Fund to the General Fund.
- 15 Sec. 25. Section 77-5007, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 2016, is amended to read: 16
- 77-5007 The commission has the power and duty to hear and determine 17
- appeals of: 18
- (1) Decisions of any county board of equalization equalizing the 19
- 20 value of individual tracts, lots, or parcels of real property so that all
- 21 real property is assessed uniformly and proportionately;
- 22 (2) Decisions of any county board of equalization granting or
- 23 denying tax-exempt status for real or personal property or an exemption
- 24 from motor vehicle taxes and fees;
- (3) Decisions of the Tax Commissioner determining the taxable 25
- 26 property of a railroad company, car company, public service entity, or
- 27 air carrier within the state;
- (4) Decisions of the Tax Commissioner determining adjusted valuation 28
- pursuant to section 79-1016; 29
- 30 (5) Decisions of any county board of equalization on the valuation
- of personal property or any penalties imposed under sections 77-1233.04 31

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- 1 and 77-1233.06;
- 2 (6) Decisions of any county board of equalization on claims that a
- 3 levy is or is not for an unlawful or unnecessary purpose or in excess of
- the requirements of the county; 4
- 5 (7) Decisions of any county board of equalization granting or
- 6 rejecting an application for a homestead exemption;
- 7 (8) Decisions of the Department of Motor Vehicles determining the
- 8 taxable value of motor vehicles pursuant to section 60-3,188;
- 9 (9) Decisions of the Tax Commissioner made under section 77-1330;
- (10) Any other decision of any county board of equalization; 10
- 11 (11) Any other decision of the Tax Commissioner regarding property
- 12 valuation, exemption, or taxation;
- (12) Decisions of the Tax Commissioner pursuant to section 77-3520; 13
- 14 (13) Final decisions of a county board of equalization appealed by
- 15 the Tax Commissioner or Property Tax Administrator pursuant to section
- 77-701; 16
- 17 (14)Determinations of the Rent-Restricted Housing Projects
- Valuation Committee regarding the capitalization rate to be used to value 18
- rent-restricted housing projects pursuant to section 77-1333 or the 19
- 20 requirement under such section that an income-approach calculation be
- 21 used by county assessors to value rent-restricted housing projects;
- 22 (15) The requirement under section 77-1314 that the income approach,
- 23 including the use of a discounted cash-flow analysis, be used by county
- assessors; and 24
- (16) Decisions of the Tax Commissioner pursuant to section 8 of this 25
- 26 act; and
- 27 (17) (16) Any other decision, determination, action, or order from
- which an appeal to the commission is authorized. 28
- 29 The commission has the power and duty to hear and grant or deny
- 30 relief on petitions.
- 31 Sec. 26. Section 77-5022, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,

- 1 2016, is amended to read:
- 2 77-5022 The commission shall annually equalize the assessed value or
- 3 special value of all residential and commercial real property as
- 4 submitted by the county assessors on the abstracts of assessments and
- 5 equalize the values of real property that is valued by the state. The
- 6 commission shall have the power to recess from time to time until the
- 7 equalization process is complete. Meetings held pursuant to this section
- 8 may be held by means of videoconference or telephone conference.
- 9 Sec. 27. Section 77-5023, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
- 10 amended to read:
- 11 77-5023 (1) Pursuant to section 77-5022, the commission shall have
- 12 the power to increase or decrease the value of a class or subclass of
- 13 <u>residential or commercial</u> real property in any county or taxing authority
- or of real property valued by the state so that all classes or subclasses
- of real property in all counties fall within an acceptable range.
- 16 (2) An acceptable range is the percentage of variation from a
- 17 standard for valuation as measured by an established indicator of central
- 18 tendency of assessment. The acceptable range Acceptable ranges are: (a)
- 19 For agricultural land and horticultural land as defined in section
- 20 77-1359, sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of actual value; (b) for
- 21 lands receiving special valuation, sixty-nine to seventy-five percent of
- 22 special valuation as defined in section 77-1343; and (c) for all
- 23 <u>residential and commercial</u> other real property, <u>is</u> ninety-two to one
- 24 hundred percent of actual value.
- 25 (3) Any increase or decrease shall cause the level of value
- 26 determined by the commission to be at the midpoint of the applicable
- 27 acceptable range.
- 28 (4) Any decrease or increase to a subclass of property shall also
- 29 cause the level of value determined by the commission for the class from
- 30 which the subclass is drawn to be within the applicable acceptable range.
- 31 (5) Whether or not the level of value determined by the commission

- falls within the an acceptable range or at the midpoint of the an 1
- 2 acceptable range may be determined to a reasonable degree of certainty
- 3 relying upon generally accepted mass appraisal techniques.
- Sec. 28. Section 79-1016, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is 4
- 5 amended to read:
- 6 79-1016 (1) On or before August 25, the county assessor shall
- 7 certify to the Property Tax Administrator the total taxable value by
- school district in the county for the current assessment year on forms 8
- 9 prescribed by the Tax Commissioner. The county assessor may amend the
- filing for changes made to the taxable valuation of the school district 10
- 11 in the county if corrections or errors on the original certification are
- 12 discovered. Amendments shall be certified to the Property Tax
- Administrator on or before September 30. 13
- 14 (2) On or before October 10, the Property Tax Administrator shall 15 compute and certify to the State Department of Education the adjusted valuation for the current assessment year for each class of property in 16 each school district and each local system. The adjusted valuation of 17 property for each school district and each local system, for purposes of 18 determining state aid pursuant to the Tax Equity and Educational 19 20 Opportunities Support Act, shall reflect as nearly as possible state aid 21 value as defined in subsection (3) of this section. The Property Tax 22 Administrator shall notify each school district and each local system of 23 its adjusted valuation for the current assessment year by class of 24 property on or before October 10. Establishment of the adjusted valuation shall be based on the taxable value certified by the county assessor for 25 26 each school district in the county adjusted by the determination of the 27 level of value for each school district from an analysis of the comprehensive assessment ratio study or other studies developed by the 28 29 Property Tax Administrator, in compliance with professionally accepted 30 mass appraisal techniques, as required by section 77-1327. The Tax Commissioner shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations setting 31

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forth standards for the determination of level of value for state aid 1

- 2 purposes.
- 3 (3) For purposes of this section, state aid value means:
- (a) For real property other than agricultural <u>land</u> and horticultural 4
- 5 land, ninety-six percent of actual value;
- 6 (b) For agricultural land and horticultural land, the agricultural-
- 7 use seventy-two percent of actual value as provided in the Agricultural
- 8 Valuation Fairness Act sections 77-1359 to 77-1363. For agricultural and
- 9 horticultural land that receives special valuation pursuant to section
- 10 77-1344, seventy-two percent of special valuation as defined in section
- 11 77-1343; and
- 12 (c) For personal property, the net book value as defined in section
- 77-120. 13
- 14 (4) On or before November 10, any local system may file with the Tax
- 15 Commissioner written objections to the adjusted valuations prepared by
- the Property Tax Administrator, stating the reasons why such adjusted 16
- valuations are not the valuations required by subsection (3) of this 17
- section. The Tax Commissioner shall fix a time for a hearing. Either 18
- party shall be permitted to introduce any evidence in reference thereto. 19
- 20 On or before January 1, the Tax Commissioner shall enter a written order
- 21 modifying or declining to modify, in whole or in part, the adjusted
- 22 valuations and shall certify the order to the State Department of
- 23 Education. Modification by the Tax Commissioner shall be based upon the
- 24 evidence introduced at hearing and shall not be limited to the
- modification requested in the written objections or at hearing. A copy of 25
- 26 the written order shall be mailed to the local system within seven days
- 27 after the date of the order. The written order of the Tax Commissioner
- may be appealed within thirty days after the date of the order to the Tax 28
- 29 Equalization and Review Commission in accordance with section 77-5013.
- 30 (5) On or before November 10, any local system or county official
- may file with the Tax Commissioner a written request for a nonappealable 31

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- 1 correction of the adjusted valuation due to clerical error as defined in
- 2 section 77-128 or, for agricultural and horticultural land, assessed
- 3 value changes by reason of land qualified or disqualified for special use
- 4 valuation pursuant to sections 77-1343 to 77-1347.01. On or before the
- 5 following January 1, the Tax Commissioner shall approve or deny the
- 6 request and, if approved, certify the corrected adjusted valuations
- 7 resulting from such action to the State Department of Education.
- (6) On or before May 31 of the year following the certification of 8 9 adjusted valuation pursuant to subsection (2) of this section, any local system or county official may file with the Tax Commissioner a written 10 11 request for a nonappealable correction of the adjusted valuation due to 12 changes to the tax list that change the assessed value of taxable property. Upon the filing of the written request, the Tax Commissioner 13 14 shall require the county assessor to recertify the taxable valuation by 15 school district in the county on forms prescribed by the Commissioner. The recertified valuation shall be the valuation that was 16 certified on the tax list, pursuant to section 77-1613, increased or 17 18 decreased by changes to the tax list that change the assessed value of taxable property in the school district in the county in the prior 19 assessment year. On or before the following July 31, the Tax Commissioner 20 21 shall approve or deny the request and, if approved, certify the corrected 22 adjusted valuations resulting from such action to the State Department of
- 24 (7) No injunction shall be granted restraining the distribution of 25 state aid based upon the adjusted valuations pursuant to this section.
- (8) A school district whose state aid is to be calculated pursuant to subsection (5) of this section and whose state aid payment is postponed as a result of failure to calculate state aid pursuant to such subsection may apply to the state board for lump-sum payment of such postponed state aid. Such application may be for any amount up to one hundred percent of the postponed state aid. The state board may grant the

- 1 entire amount applied for or any portion of such amount. The state board
- 2 shall notify the Director of Administrative Services of the amount of
- 3 funds to be paid in a lump sum and the reduced amount of the monthly
- 4 payments. The Director of Administrative Services shall, at the time of
- 5 the next state aid payment made pursuant to section 79-1022, draw a
- 6 warrant for the lump-sum amount from appropriated funds and forward such
- 7 warrant to the district.
- 8 Sec. 29. Section 79-1036, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 9 2016, is amended to read:
- 10 79-1036 (1) In making the apportionment under section 79-1035, the
- 11 Commissioner of Education shall distribute from the school fund for
- 12 school purposes to (a) for school fiscal years prior to school fiscal
- 13 year 2017-18, any and all learning communities and school districts which
- 14 are not members of a learning community, and (b) for school fiscal year
- 15 2017-18 and each school fiscal year thereafter, all school districts in
- 16 which there are situated school lands which have not been sold and
- 17 transferred by deed or saline lands owned by the state, which lands are
- 18 being used for a public purpose, an amount in lieu of tax money that
- 19 would be raised by school district levies if such lands were taxable, to
- 20 be ascertained in accordance with subsection (2) of this section, except
- 21 that:
- 22 (i) For Class I districts or portions thereof which are affiliated
- 23 and in which there are situated school or saline lands, 38.6207 percent
- 24 of the in lieu of land tax money calculated pursuant to subsection (2) of
- 25 this section, based on the affiliated school system tax levy computed
- 26 pursuant to section 79-1077, shall be distributed to the affiliated high
- 27 school district and the remainder shall be distributed to the Class I
- 28 district;
- 29 (ii) For Class I districts or portions thereof which are part of a
- 30 Class VI district which offers instruction in grades nine through twelve
- 31 and in which there are situated school or saline lands, 38.6207 percent

- 1 of the in lieu of land tax money calculated pursuant to subsection (2) of
- 2 this section, based on the Class VI school system levy computed pursuant
- 3 to section 79-1078, shall be distributed to the Class VI district and the
- 4 remainder shall be distributed to the Class I district;
- 5 (iii) For Class I districts or portions thereof which are part of a
- 6 Class VI district which offers instruction in grades seven through twelve
- 7 and in which there are situated school or saline lands, 55.1724 percent
- 8 of the in lieu of land tax money calculated pursuant to subsection (2) of
- 9 this section, based on the Class VI school system levy computed pursuant
- 10 to section 79-1078, shall be distributed to the Class VI district and the
- 11 remainder shall be distributed to the Class I district; and
- (iv) For Class I districts or portions thereof which are part of a
- 13 Class VI district which offers instruction in grades six through twelve
- 14 and in which there are situated school or saline lands, 62.0690 percent
- of the in lieu of land tax money calculated pursuant to subsection (2) of
- 16 this section, based on the Class VI school system levy computed pursuant
- 17 to section 79-1078, shall be distributed to the Class VI district and the
- 18 remainder shall be distributed to the Class I district.
- 19 (2) The county assessor shall certify to the Commissioner of
- 20 Education the tax levies of each school district and, for levies
- 21 certified prior to January 1, 2017, learning community in which school
- 22 land or saline land is located and the last appraised value of such
- 23 school land, which value shall be the agricultural-use same percentage of
- 24 the appraised value as the percentage of the assessed value is of market
- 25 value <u>described</u> in subsection (2) of section 77-201 for the purpose of
- 26 applying the applicable tax levies for each district and, for levies
- 27 certified prior to January 1, 2017, learning community in determining the
- 28 distribution to the districts of such amounts. The school board of any
- 29 school district and, for levies certified prior to January 1, 2017, the
- 30 learning community coordinating council of any learning community in
- 31 which there is located any leased or undeeded school land or saline land

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- subject to this section may appeal to the Board of Educational Lands and 1
- 2 Funds for a reappraisement of such school land if such school board or
- 3 learning community coordinating council deems the land not appraised in
- proportion to the value of adjoining land of the same or similar value. 4
- 5 The Board of Educational Lands and Funds shall proceed to investigate the
- 6 facts involved in such appeal and, if the contention of the school board
- 7 or learning community coordinating council is correct, make the proper
- reappraisement. The value calculation in this subsection shall be used by 8
- 9 the Commissioner of Education for making distributions in each school
- 10 fiscal year.
- 11 Sec. 30. The State Treasurer shall transfer an additional
- \$75,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on 12
- or before June 30, 2018, on such date as directed by the budget 13
- 14 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
- 15 <u>Services.</u>
- The State Treasurer shall transfer an additional 16 Sec. 31.
- 17 \$75,000,000 from the General Fund to the Property Tax Credit Cash Fund on
- or before June 30, 2019, on such date as directed by the budget 18
- 19 administrator of the budget division of the Department of Administrative
- 20 <u>Services.</u>
- 21 Sec. 32. Sections 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, 26,
- 22 27, 28, 29, 34, and 35 of this act become operative on January 1, 2018.
- 23 The other sections of this act become operative on their effective date.
- 24 Original section 77-2715.09, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- Nebraska, and sections 77-1116, 77-2716, 77-2734.01, and 77-2912, Revised 25
- 26 Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, are repealed.
- 27 Sec. 34. Original sections 19-2428, 46-294.03, 77-103.01,
- 77-1507.01, 77-5023, and 79-1016, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, 28
- 29 and sections 76-710.04, 77-201, 77-1327, 77-1371, 77-1502, 77-4212,
- 30 77-5007, 77-5022, and 79-1036, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,
- 31 2016, are repealed.

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- 1 Sec. 35. The following sections are outright repealed: Sections
- 77-1343, 77-1344, 77-1345, 77-1345.01, 77-1346, and 77-1347.01, Reissue 2
- Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 77-1347, 77-1359, and 77-1363, 3
- Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016. 4