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FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 136**

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PURPOSE: The purpose of this study is to focus on the effect of the Congressional passage in March of the Joint Resolution, S.J. Res. 34 (2017), which disapproved the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) final rules for Protecting the Privacy of Customers of Broadband and Other Telecommunications Services, 81 Fed. Reg. 87274 (December 2, 2016).

State and local governments in Nebraska have made significant investments to provide Internet services, from creating government web sites to providing Internet access across this state. Additionally, Nebraskans expect privacy and protection from Internet service providers and expect the government to protect their rights to privacy and to increase the control individuals have over their personal information.

If the repeal of the FCC rule does compromise expectations of privacy and consumer control for Nebraskans, then this study should consider state legislative and administrative options to restore such expectations of privacy and protection from Internet service providers.

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

1. That the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.