

ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 178

Introduced by Kolterman, 24.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to examine existing telehealth and telemedicine systems and capabilities in Nebraska and opportunities to expand telehealth usage across the state. This study shall include, but not be limited to, the following issues:

(1) A review of the best practices among states that have adopted legislation, rules and regulations, or executive orders to allow for telehealth and telemedicine;

(2) A review of which telehealth and telemedicine systems work best for patients and health care providers;

(3) A review of the barriers to telehealth usage and expansion and potential solutions to grow and develop telehealth services across the state; and

(4) A review of how telehealth and telemedicine may address mental health and substance abuse issues in this state.

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

1. That the Health and Human Services 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.