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LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

**ONE HUNDRED FIFTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION**

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Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Monday, May 15, 2017

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Father Joseph Walsh, St. Cecilia's Catholic Church, Hastings.

ROLL CALL

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

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Lindstrom who was excused; and Senators Harr, Kuehn, Murante, Watermeier, and Wayne who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the eighty-first day was approved.

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

May 12, 2017

Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature
State Capitol, Room 2018
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

Engrossed Legislative Bills 149e, 328e, and 329e were received in my office on May 8, 2017.

Engrossed Legislative Bill 335e was received in my office on May 11, 2017.

These bills were signed and delivered to the Secretary of State on May 12, 2017.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

May 12, 2017

Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature
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Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

Engrossed Legislative Bills 86, 171e, 200, 204, 209, 259, 259A, 274, 280e, 307, 318e, 320, 371, 375, 382e, 406, 451, 458, 463, 476, 492, 508, 517, 584, and 624 were received in my office on May 8, 2017.

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Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
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May 12, 2017

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker,
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, and Members of the Legislature:

With this letter, I am returning LB 330e with my signature and with a line-item reduction.

I have vetoed \$11,062,790 of General Funds appropriated in FY 2018-19 for the Capitol Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning Systems Replacement (HVAC Project). My veto does not cancel or delay the HVAC Project. The Nebraska Capitol Construction Fund (NCCF) appropriation of \$4,538,101 in FY 2018-19, which is also provided for in LB 330, is not vetoed. The transfer of \$10,005,129 from the Cash Reserve Fund to the NCCF provided for the HVAC Project in LB 332 will not be vetoed. This transfer supports the planned spending on the HVAC Project for FY 2018-19, FY 2019-20, and FY 2020-21.

Since FY 2014-15, \$19,506,192 has already been provided to the Capitol Commission for the HVAC Project. Necessary preparation work for Phase 1 including land acquisition and installation of a geothermal well field can continue with this veto. These costs, for which funding remains fully available, are estimated to be \$17,475,796. By early FY 2019-20, the HVAC Project is estimated to have \$6,568,497 of NCCF appropriations remaining and available to continue Phase 1.

The HVAC Project is an important priority. I appreciate that the Legislature approved my original recommendation; however, our current fiscal situation does not warrant this large General Fund expenditure. Sufficient funding will remain to keep the project on schedule and the financing of the HVAC Project can be revisited in the next regular Legislative session.

I urge you to sustain this line-item veto of LB 330.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 247. Introduced by Stinner, 48.

WHEREAS, Donovan De Los Santos, a member of Troop 17 of Gering, has completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Although many options are available to demonstrate proficiency in these areas, a number of specific skills are required to advance through the ranks of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life, and finally Eagle Scout. Throughout his scouting experience, Donovan has learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn 21 merit badges, 13 of which are in required areas, and complete a community service project approved by the troop and the scout council; and

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

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

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

1. That the Legislature congratulate Donovan De Los Santos on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Donovan De Los Santos.

Laid over.

RESOLUTION(S)

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LRs 128, 133, 134, 135, and 137 were adopted.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the President signed the following: LRs 128, 133, 134, 135, and 137.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 333. Senator Riepe withdrew his motion, MO107, found on page 1228, to substitute AM1209 for AM1195.

Senator Riepe withdrew his amendments, AM1195, AM1209, and AM1194, found on pages 1215 and 1226.

Senator Krist withdrew his amendment, AM1197, found on page 1220.

Senator Krist offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

AM1261

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM1022)

- 1 1. Strike section 1.
- 2 2. On page 8, lines 3 through 6, reinstate the stricken matter; in
- 3 line 6 strike the new matter; and in line 16 strike "(4)" and insert
- 4 "(5)" and after "funding" insert "the medicaid home and community-based
- 5 services waiver".
- 6 3. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references
- 7 and the repealer accordingly.

Senator Krist moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 27 ayes, 2 nays, and 20 not voting.

Senator Chambers requested a roll call vote on the Krist amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 23:

Baker	Ebke	Kolowski	Pansing Brooks	Walz
Blood	Hansen	Krist	Quick	Williams
Bolz	Harr	McCollister	Schumacher	Wishart
Chambers	Hilkemann	McDonnell	Stinner	
Crawford	Howard	Morfeld	Vargas	

Voting in the negative, 21:

Albrecht	Clements	Groene	Larson	Watermeier
Bostelman	Craighead	Halloran	Linehan	
Brasch	Erdman	Hilgers	Lowe	
Brewer	Friesen	Hughes	Murante	
Briese	Geist	Kuehn	Riepe	

Present and not voting, 3:

Kolterman Scheer Smith

Excused and not voting, 2:

Lindstrom Wayne

The Krist amendment lost with 23 ayes, 21 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

Senator Riepe reoffered the Krist amendment, AM1197, found on page 1220, to the committee amendment.

The Krist amendment was adopted with 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Committee AM1022, found on page 1043 and considered on page 1225, as amended, was renewed.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 42 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 333A. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 248. Introduced by Hilkemann, 4; Kolowski, 31; Linehan, 39.

WHEREAS, Steve Baker, Superintendent of Elkhorn Public Schools, will retire after a lifelong career in education and educational administration; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent Baker joined the Elkhorn Public School District as the band director in 1975. He also served as the sponsor for the dance team and National Honor Society until 1987; and

WHEREAS, for two years, Superintendent Baker served as the high school assistant principal in addition to his responsibilities as the band director before becoming a full-time assistant principal from 1987-91. He moved to the district office as the assistant superintendent, a role he served in for eighteen years until assuming the duties of the superintendent in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent Baker led Elkhorn Public Schools through a period of intense growth, with the number of students increasing by nearly 75 percent, while maintaining the district's traditional academic excellence; and

WHEREAS, Steve Baker has been honored throughout his career, receiving the Outstanding Young Educator Award in 1977, the American School Band Directors Association Award in 1980, the Nebraska School Activities Association Service Award in 2003, the Elkhorn High School National Honor Society Service to Youth Award in 2007, the Nebraska State Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association Distinguished Service Award and the Nebraska Recreation and Parks Association Voluntary Service Award in 2009, the American Association of School Administrators Nebraska School Superintendent of the Year Award in 2013, and the Western Douglas County Chamber of Commerce Lifetime Achievement Award this year; and

WHEREAS, Superintendent Baker will be leaving a "labor of love" on June 30, 2017.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes Superintendent Steve Baker for his many honors and accomplishments, thanks him for 42 years of service as an educator with Elkhorn Public Schools, and extends him its best wishes on his retirement.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Superintendent Baker.

Laid over.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 249. Introduced by Krist, 10.

WHEREAS, Robert N. "Bob" Swanson was a true gentleman and a great American. He grew up in Wausa and joined the United States Navy after graduating from high school in 1959; and

WHEREAS, Bob served as a machinist on the USS Piedmont, a destroyer tender built during World War II, until mustering out in 1965; and

WHEREAS, after 37½ years with Physicians Mutual Insurance Company, Bob retired as a vice president and began volunteering at American Legion Omaha Post 1; and

WHEREAS, Bob was an active member of the American Legion for 13 years and also served as the Commander of Omaha Post 1; and

WHEREAS, as an avid motorcyclist, Bob served as the Post Commander on two occasions for the American Legion Riders and was the driving force and strength behind organizing the Riders program in 39 chapters across

Nebraska, which has 1,100 members currently serving as honor guards for members of the military to and from deployment, as well as serving at funerals, in parades, and other events; and

WHEREAS, Bob created tribute signs for our troops and made personal arrangements with the Nebraska Department of Roads in 2013 for their installation at all of the 23 rest areas along Interstate 80. The 24 by 36 inch, metal signs read "Nebraska Honors Our Troops" and "Thank You For Your Service" and display the logos of the 5 branches of service; and

WHEREAS, Bob started a fundraising drive, which raised over \$15,000 for a new flag pole in Pilger after the town was devastated by a supercell that produced four EF4 tornadoes in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Bob had the idea of a memorial chair at Werner Park, which would be decorated with the POW/MIA emblem to promote their remembrance. After Bob received approval for the memorial chair by contacting the Werner Park president, he helped with the necessary fundraising efforts; and

WHEREAS, Bob's projects and tireless support for veterans helped secure the 236-acre Omaha National Cemetery; and

WHEREAS, Bob was one of the Salvation Army's most faithful bell ringers at Christmas for many years; and

WHEREAS, Bob epitomized service and leadership when it came to veterans; and

WHEREAS, Bob was selflessly dedicated to others and will be remembered by his wife of 41 years, Marolyn; his daughters, Cindy Siadek of Omaha and Danya Gutierrez of Los Angeles; his sister, Bonita Rosen of Wausa; and his grandchildren, Jake and Abby Siadek; and

WHEREAS, Bob passed away from injuries sustained on his motorcycle due to a mechanical failure.

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

1. That the Legislature offers its condolences to the family and friends of Robert N. Swanson.
2. That the Legislature offers its gratitude to Robert N. Swanson for his years of service and tireless support for veterans.
3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Robert N. Swanson and American Legion Omaha Post 1.

Laid over.

GENERAL FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 496. Senator Chambers offered his motion, MO134, found on page 1512, to reconsider the vote taken to recommit to committee.

SPEAKER SCHEER PRESIDING

SENATOR HUGHES PRESIDING

PRESIDENT FOLEY PRESIDING

Senator Stinner offered the following motion:

MO140

Invoke cloture pursuant to Rule 7, Sec. 10.

Senator Stinner moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 26 ayes, 1 nay, and 22 not voting.

Senator Stinner requested a roll call vote, in reverse order, on the motion to invoke cloture.

Voting in the affirmative, 33:

Albrecht	Craighead	Howard	Morfeld	Vargas
Baker	Crawford	Hughes	Murante	Walz
Blood	Ebke	Kolowski	Quick	Watermeier
Bolz	Geist	Kolterman	Riepe	Williams
Bostelman	Hansen	Krist	Scheer	Wishart
Briese	Harr	McCollister	Smith	
Clements	Hilkemann	McDonnell	Stinner	

Voting in the negative, 9:

Brasch	Chambers	Friesen	Hilgers	Schumacher
Brewer	Erdman	Groene	Kuehn	

Present and not voting, 2:

Larson Linehan

Absent and not voting, 1:

Pansing Brooks

Excused and not voting, 4:

Halloran Lindstrom Lowe Wayne

The Stinner motion to invoke cloture prevailed with 33 ayes, 9 nays, 2 present and not voting, 1 absent and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

The Chambers motion, MO134, to reconsider to recommit to committee, failed with 5 ayes, 32 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

The committee amendment, AM470, found on page 645 and considered on page 1496, was adopted with 31 ayes, 5 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator Chambers requested a record vote on the advancement of the bill.

Voting in the affirmative, 31:

Albrecht	Craighead	Kolowski	Murante	Walz
Baker	Crawford	Kolterman	Quick	Williams
Blood	Geist	Krist	Riepe	Wishart
Bolz	Hansen	Larson	Scheer	
Bostelman	Harr	McCollister	Smith	
Briese	Hilkemann	McDonnell	Stinner	
Clements	Howard	Morfeld	Vargas	

Voting in the negative, 8:

Brasch	Chambers	Friesen	Kuehn
Brewer	Erdman	Groene	Schumacher

Present and not voting, 6:

Ebke	Hughes	Pansing Brooks
Hilgers	Linehan	Watermeier

Excused and not voting, 4:

Halloran	Lindstrom	Low	Wayne
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Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 31 ayes, 8 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 250. Introduced by Bolz, 29.

WHEREAS, on May 29, Nebraskans will observe Memorial Day and remember the men and women who have died in military service; and

WHEREAS, the bugle call Taps was first played to signal the end of the day for Union troops in 1862, and given the name Taps in 1874; and

WHEREAS, by 1891, Army infantry regulations had been changed to require Taps be played at military funeral ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, Taps is now played by the military at burial and memorial services, to accompany the lowering of the flag, and to signal the "lights out" at day's end; and

WHEREAS, Nebraskans recognize and salute the sacrifices of military members and their families; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Darren Donovan of Lincoln has played Taps at Memorial Day services for 20 years.

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

1. That the Nebraska Legislature thanks Mr. Darren Donovan and other trumpeters for their dedication to the live playing of Taps.

Laid over.

VISITORS

Visitors to the Chamber were 9 eighth-grade students from St. Michael's Catholic School, South Sioux City; Senator Briese's mother, sister, brother-in-law, and wife, Mary Briese, Barb Tisthammer, Jerry Tisthammer, and Joan Briese, from Albion; 65 fourth-grade students and sponsors from York Elementary; Paul and Colleen Stolinski; and 26 fifth and sixth-grade students from St. Paul Lutheran School, West Point.

RECESS

At 12:01 p.m., on a motion by Senator Hilkemann, the Legislature recessed until 1:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Legislature reconvened at 1:30 p.m., President Foley presiding.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Lindstrom who was excused; and Senators Kuehn, Morfeld, Pansing Brooks, Stinner, Watermeier, and Wayne who were excused until they arrive.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

2017 Resolutions calling for an Interim Study

LR4	Interim study to explore if the development of a more comprehensive water quality study is needed	Natural Resources
LR11	Interim study to assess the Nebraska medical assistance program and the options for health care reform for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR25	Interim study to examine the requirements in the Rules of the Legislature for preparing and delivering fiscal notes	Executive Board
LR28	Interim study to research how the state and each of the counties handle, process, and test sexual assault evidence collection kits	Judiciary

LR60	Interim study to examine issues related to the use of tax-increment financing	Urban Affairs
LR81	Interim study to examine the adoption and enforcement of state fire codes	Urban Affairs
LR84	Interim study to examine the statutes governing some classes of municipalities	Urban Affairs
LR85	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the Urban Affairs Committee	Urban Affairs
LR91	Interim study to examine the public employees' retirement systems administered by the Public Employees Retirement Board	Nebraska Retirement Systems
LR92	Interim study to examine the requirement that the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee of the Legislature monitor underfunded defined benefit plans administered by political subdivisions	Nebraska Retirement Systems
LR109	Interim study to examine the collection of annual assessments under the Property Assessed Clean Energy Act	Urban Affairs
LR113	Interim study to examine the long-term fiscal sustainability of the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund to pay for health care and related services	Appropriations
LR114	Interim study to examine Nebraska's statutes relating to geriatric or compassionate release laws for elderly inmates	Judiciary
LR122	Interim study to examine public assistance programs in Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR124	Interim study to examine contracting and procurement by cities of the metropolitan class	Urban Affairs
LR125	Interim study to examine public power in Nebraska	Natural Resources
LR126	Interim study to examine the Nebraska Cooperative Republican Platte Enhancement project	Natural Resources
LR129	Interim study to explore best practices for incorporating the study of the Holocaust and other genocides into primary and secondary curriculum	Education
LR130	Interim study to examine issues related to the use of substitute teachers	Education

LR131	Interim study to examine the distribution and use of federal Title X Program state and federal appropriations	Judiciary
LR132	Interim study to examine elections conducted by and on behalf of political subdivisions	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LR136	Interim study to examine the effect of the Congressional passage of Joint Resolution, S.J. RES. 34, which disapproved the Federal Communications Commission final rules for Protecting the Privacy of Customers of Broadband and Other Telecommunications Services	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR138	Interim study to examine the tools, mechanisms, and funding sources available to municipalities to provide for condemnation or demolition of vacant and abandoned buildings	Urban Affairs
LR139	Interim study to analyze the best use of the state's child welfare resources in line with its goals	Appropriations
LR140	Interim study to examine issues surrounding the Family Finding pilot project	Health and Human Services
LR141	Interim study to examine best practices for promoting career education and training that can lead to job readiness for middle-skill positions	Business and Labor
LR142	Interim study to review the progress of the aging and disability resource center projects and to consider the long-term role of the projects in Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR143	Interim study to examine pay equity issues	Business and Labor
LR144	Interim study to examine the effects of nonstandard and volatile job schedules on Nebraska businesses, workers, and families	Business and Labor
LR145	Interim study to examine the importance of Title IV-E Funds and the federal adoption assistance program	Health and Human Services
LR146	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

LR147	Interim study to conduct a comprehensive review of the Nebraska State Immunization Information System and to examine opportunities to increase the rate of immunizations reported to the system across the state	Health and Human Services
LR148	Interim study to examine school meal programs in Nebraska	Education
LR149	Interim study to examine the administrative structure and organization of school districts across the state	Education
LR150	Interim study to examine the ratio of administration, faculty, and support staff to student enrollment within secondary education in Nebraska	Education
LR153	Interim study to examine the existence and practice of conversion therapy in Nebraska for minors	Judiciary
LR154	Interim study to examine Nebraska's utilization of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families funds	Health and Human Services
LR155	Interim study to examine university campus policies and efforts aimed at reducing incidents of campus sexual violence and protecting the victims of such violence in Nebraska	Education
LR156	Interim study to examine the ongoing implementation of the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2014 and related state law and policy	Health and Human Services
LR157	Interim study to examine the January 1, 2017, implementation of the managed care delivery system for the State of Nebraska and the impact on the state budget	Appropriations
LR158	Interim study to examine whether the unclaimed property laws of Nebraska should be updated	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LR159	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the Natural Resources Committee	Natural Resources
LR160	Interim study to examine the ability of municipalities in Nebraska to offer relocation incentives to attract new residents	Urban Affairs

LR161	Interim study to examine the structure and administration of, and compliance with, state individual income and corporate income taxes	Revenue
LR162	Interim study to examine the structure and administration of, and compliance with, state and local sales and use taxes and any other miscellaneous taxes	Revenue
LR163	Interim study to examine the structure and administration of, and compliance with, real and personal property taxes	Revenue
LR164	Interim study to examine the need for restoration, development, and capital improvement of sites that attract tourists to and within Nebraska	Appropriations
LR166	Interim study to examine mental health education provided in Nebraska schools	Education
LR167	Interim study to examine ways to improve the coverage of hearing aid costs for Nebraska families	Health and Human Services
LR168	Interim study to examine the feasibility of adopting a workers' compensation drug formulary	Business and Labor
LR169	Interim study to examine whether the birth defects registry laws of Nebraska should be updated	Health and Human Services
LR170	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the Education Committee	Education
LR171	Interim study to examine ways to minimize conflict in the availability and utilization of bee forage resources	Agriculture
LR172	Interim study to review recruitment and retention efforts that are currently or could potentially be undertaken by the Dept. of Correctional Services	Judiciary
LR173	Interim study to review the work detail and work release efforts at the community corrections centers	Judiciary
LR174	Interim study to review the implementation of the 911 Service System Act	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR175	Interim study to conduct an examination of issues related to reforming the regulation of basic local exchange service rates charged by local exchange telecommunications carriers subject to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission	Transportation and Telecommunications

LR176	Interim study to examine the provision of broadband telecommunication services within the state	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR177	Interim study to review issues under the jurisdiction of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR178	Interim study to examine existing telehealth and telemedicine systems and capabilities in Nebraska and opportunities to expand usage	Health and Human Services
LR179	Interim study to examine the application of the Livestock Brand Act to dairy animals and dairy operations located within the mandatory brand inspection area	Agriculture
LR180	Interim study to examine opportunities for increased coordination between the Nebraska Brand Committee and the Dept. of Agriculture	Agriculture
LR181	Interim study to examine recommendations for procedures to be used for a convention of the states under Article V of the U.S. Constitution	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LR182	Interim study to examine the extent of voter fraud in Nebraska	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LR183	Interim study to review reimbursement rates for ambulatory surgical centers and outpatient hospitals with respect to provision of workers' compensation services	Business and Labor
LR184	Interim study to examine whether the Real Property Appraiser Act should be amended	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LR185	Interim study to examine the Farm Labor Contractors Act	Business and Labor
LR186	Interim study to examine the Nebraska Prescription Drug Monitoring Program and how providers access prescription drug data	Health and Human Services
LR187	Interim study to determine the strengths and weaknesses of the five primary service areas of the Division of Children and Family Services of the Dept. of Health and Human Services	Health and Human Services

LR188	Interim study to review policies and procedures relating to sustainability, organization, and best practices for data collection by the Division of Public Health relating to public health, epidemiology, and syndromic surveillance	Health and Human Services
LR189	Interim study to examine ways in which Nebraska could increase access to health insurance, including medicaid	Health and Human Services
LR190	Interim study to examine the possibility of creating an ethics committee within the Legislature	Executive Board
LR191	Interim study to examine possible legislative reforms to Nebraska's mandatory minimum sentencing laws	Judiciary
LR192	Interim study to examine the committee system of the Legislature	Executive Board
LR193	Interim study to determine the impact of increased use of higher level ethanol blends and various policies to incentivize use of such blends	Agriculture
LR194	Interim study to examine the 407 process as it relates to scope of practice changes for health professions	Health and Human Services
LR195	Interim study to examine the system of valuing automobiles for calculation of the motor vehicle tax	Revenue
LR196	Interim study to track the progress of the Dept. of Correctional Services and to ensure the intentions set forth by the Legislature are being complied with and carried out	Judiciary
LR197	Interim study to examine issues surrounding the utilization of wood generated from the emerald ash borer infestation	Natural Resources
LR198	Interim study to examine the impact of incarceration on children in Nebraska	Judiciary
LR199	Interim study to conduct a review of staff structure, training processes, and roles and responsibilities as they relate to support staff of the standing committees of the Legislature and the Legislative Research Office	Executive Board

LR200	Interim study to examine issues related to dual enrollment and other courses that allow a student to obtain both high school and postsecondary education credit for such course	Education
LR201	Interim study to review reimbursement rates for ambulatory surgical centers and outpatient hospitals with respect to workers' compensation services in Nebraska	Business and Labor
LR202	Interim study to examine bona fide severance of employment compliance requirements under the Internal Revenue Code as related to maintaining section 401 (a) qualified defined benefit retirement plans	Nebraska Retirement Systems
LR203	Interim study to examine issues surrounding the relocation of utilities within the public right-of-way	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR204	Interim study to examine the structure for license fees under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act	General Affairs
LR205	Interim study to examine issues under the jurisdiction of the General Affairs Committee	General Affairs
LR206	Interim study to examine the potential for counties to have additional authority to pass ordinances within county boundaries	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LR207	Interim study to examine public health issues related to drugs, alcohol, and sexually transmitted diseases in Douglas County	Health and Human Services
LR208	Interim study to examine the cost of telephone calls made by people housed in county jails in Nebraska	Judiciary
LR209	Interim study to examine the volatility of Nebraska's revenue portfolio to determine a set of evidence-based savings targets for the Cash Reserve Fund	Appropriations
LR210	Interim study to examine fiscal distress among local political subdivisions in Nebraska and how the Legislature could establish an early warning system to identify and respond to such fiscal distress	Appropriations
LR211	Interim study to examine giving consumers a choice among electricity supply options and greater information concerning their service and billing options	Natural Resources

LR212	Interim study to identify K-12 and postsecondary education resources to meet industry needs in preparing students for employment in careers requiring knowledge and skills in science, technology, engineering, and math with an emphasis on jobs in the biosciences sector	Education
LR213	Interim study to examine state funding for Nebraska airports and specifically funding for airport capital improvement	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR214	Interim study to examine contracting and procurement by the Dept. of Roads	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR215	Interim study to examine the feasibility of a pilot project involving autonomous shuttles in a city of the primary class	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR216	Interim study to examine the policies, practices, and laws that govern the safeguarding and sealing of juvenile records	Judiciary
LR217	Interim study to examine the programs and majors offered by the University of Nebraska at the Lincoln, Omaha, and Kearney campuses	Education
LR218	Interim study to examine the feasibility of consolidating the University of Nebraska Medical Center and the University of Nebraska at Omaha to create a single University of Nebraska institution in Omaha	Education
LR219	Interim study to examine the effectiveness of section 29-901, which relates to the imposition of bail, and section 29-2206, which relates to the imposition of fines, fees, and court costs	Judiciary
LR220	Interim study to investigate the purpose and benefits of creating conviction integrity units in Nebraska	Judiciary
LR221	Interim study to examine possible reforms to Nebraska's sentencing laws to accommodate an option of deferred judgment probation	Judiciary
LR222	Interim study to examine dyslexia and reading literacy in Nebraska	Education
LR223	Interim study to examine Nebraska statutes governing the use of personally identifiable information	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LR224	Interim study to examine cross-county assessment and collection of ad valorem taxes	Revenue

LR225	Interim study to assess the condition of property related to Willa Cather as described in section 82-129	Appropriations
LR226	Interim study to examine the educational and credentialing requirements and the process of applying for and obtaining an electrology license for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR227	Interim study to examine the educational and credentialing requirements and the process of applying for and obtaining a nail technology license for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR228	Interim study to examine the educational and credentialing requirements and the process of applying for and obtaining a massage therapy license for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR229	Interim study to examine the educational and credentialing requirements and the process of applying for and obtaining a barbering license for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR230	Interim study to examine the educational and credentialing requirements and the process of applying for and obtaining an esthetics license for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR231	Interim study to examine the educational and credentialing requirements and the process of applying for and obtaining a license to practice body art for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR232	Interim study to examine the educational and credentialing requirements and the process of applying for and obtaining a cosmetology license for Nebraska	Health and Human Services
LR233	Interim study to review the experiences of medicaid-eligible populations receiving long-term care services and support and identify the necessary practices and protocols for a managed care program	Health and Human Services
LR234	Interim study to examine reports submitted by the Division of Behavioral Health and behavioral health regions	Health and Human Services
LR235	Interim study to examine the internal processes of the Dept. of Health and Human Services relating to the report of the Auditor of Public Accounts	Health and Human Services

LR236	Interim study to examine the workload studies used by the Dept. of Health and Human Services to understand current staffing needs	Health and Human Services
LR237	Interim study to examine all aspects and the history of the Nebraska Cooperative Republican Platte Enhancement project	Natural Resources
LR238	Interim study to examine the feasibility of acquiring funding for behavioral and mental health internship programs at the doctoral level in rural Nebraska	Appropriations
LR239	Interim study to examine issues related to solar energy development in Nebraska	Natural Resources
LR240	Interim study to examine the issues raised by LB121, 2017, related to taxation of military benefits	Revenue
LR241	Interim study to examine the distribution and use of funds from the Federal Title X program	Health and Human Services
LR242	Interim study to examine the feasibility of zero-based budgeting for state agencies	Appropriations
LR243	Interim study to examine issues related to eminent domain and property rights	Judiciary
LR245	Interim study to examine issues raised by LB504, 2017, related to placing a moratorium on industrial development of wind energy projects	Natural Resources

(Signed) Dan Watermeier, Chairperson
Executive Board

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 72. ER57, found on page 1053, was adopted.

Senator McDonnell reoffered his amendment, AM789, found on page 846, withdrawn on page 1022, and refiled on page 1027.

Senator McDonnell withdrew his amendment.

Senator Schumacher withdrew his amendment, AM1360, found on page 1519.

Senator Schumacher offered the following amendment:
AM1404

- 1 1. Strike the original sections and all amendments thereto and
- 2 insert the following new sections:
- 3 Section 1. Section 13-402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

4 amended to read:

5 13-402 (1) Any county, city, village, school district, agency of
6 the state government, drainage district, sanitary and improvement
7 district, or other political subdivision of the State of Nebraska is
8 hereby permitted, authorized, and given the power to file a petition in
9 the United States Bankruptcy Court under 11 U.S.C. chapter 9 and any acts
10 amendatory thereto and supplementary thereof and to incur and pay the
11 expenses incident to the consummation of a plan of adjustment of debts as
12 contemplated by such petition.

13 (2)(a) The authority and power to file a petition provided for in
14 subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to any city or village
15 that, at the time of its governing body authorizing the filing of such
16 petition, has its defined benefit retirement plan, if any, with a funded
17 ratio of the actuarial value of assets less than fifty-one and sixty-five
18 hundredths percent for any such petition to be filed during the period
19 between January 1, 2020, and January 1, 2023; fifty-four and forty-one
20 hundredths percent for any such petition to be filed during the period
21 between January 1, 2023, and January 1, 2026; fifty-eight and twenty-one
22 hundredths percent for any such petition to be filed during the period
23 between January 1, 2026, and January 1, 2029; sixty-three and forty-one
24 hundredths percent for any such petition to be filed during the period
25 between January 1, 2029, and January 1, 2032; seventy and seventy-one
26 hundredths percent for any such petition to be filed during the period
27 between January 1, 2032, and January 1, 2035; eighty and sixty-one
1 hundredths percent for any such petition to be filed during the period
2 between January 1, 2035, and January 1, 2038; and ninety percent
3 thereafter.

4 (b) Within ninety days prior to taking action authorizing the filing
5 of such petition, the governing body of any city or village that has a
6 defined benefit retirement plan shall conduct an actuarial valuation to
7 determine the funded ratio of such defined benefit retirement plan. Such
8 determination shall be prima facie evidence in establishing the authority
9 of the city or village to exercise authority under this section.

10 (c)(i) A city or village that does not have a defined benefit
11 retirement plan may by ordinance declare and affirm that its general
12 obligation bonds, whether existing before, after, or at the time of such
13 ordinance, shall, unless otherwise provided in the related authorizing
14 measure, be equally and ratably secured by a statutory lien on all ad
15 valorem taxes levied and to be levied from year to year by such city or
16 village and on all proceeds derived therefrom. The statutory lien
17 authorized hereunder shall be deemed to attach and be continuously
18 perfected from the time the bonds are issued without further action or
19 authorization by the city or village. The statutory lien is valid and
20 binding from the time the bonds are issued without any physical delivery
21 thereof or further act required. No filing need be made under the Uniform
22 Commercial Code or otherwise to perfect the statutory lien on any ad
23 valorem taxes or proceeds derived therefrom in favor of any general
24 obligation bonds. Bonds so secured shall have a first priority lien on
25 such ad valorem taxes so levied and on all proceeds derived therefrom and
26 shall have priority against all parties having claims of contract or tort
27 or otherwise against the city or village, whether or not the parties have

28 notice thereof. The absence of such declaration or affirmation shall not
 29 reduce or degrade the priority or secured status of such bonds otherwise
 30 existing under law.

31 (ii) For purposes of this subdivision, statutory lien shall have the
 1 meaning given to that term under 11 U.S.C 101(53) of the federal
 2 Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994, as it existed on the effective date of
 3 this act.

4 (d) An actuary performing actuarial valuations pursuant to this
 5 subsection shall be a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and
 6 shall meet the academy's qualification standards to render a statement of
 7 actuarial opinion.

8 Sec. 2. Original section 13-402, Reissue Revised Statutes of
 9 Nebraska, is repealed.

The Schumacher amendment was adopted with 30 ayes, 0 nays, 13 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

MOTION(S) - Return LB415 to Select File

Senator Kolterman moved to return LB415 to Select File for the following specific amendment:

AM1403

(Amendments to E&R amendments, ER88)

- 1 1. Strike sections 51, 53, and 54 and all amendments thereto and
- 2 insert the following new section:
- 3 Sec. 54. Original sections 23-2308.01, 23-2315.01, 23-2323.01,
- 4 23-2334, 24-701, 24-708, 24-710.01, 24-710.04, 24-710.15, 79-921, 79-926,
- 5 79-933.08, 79-951, 79-958, 81-2025, 81-2034, 84-1301, 84-1309.02,
- 6 84-1319, 84-1323.01, and 84-1325, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska,
- 7 and sections 2-3228, 12-101, 14-567, 14-1805.01, 14-2111, 15-1017,
- 8 16-1017, 16-1037, 19-3501, 23-1118, 23-2301, 23-2317, 23-3526,
- 9 71-1631.02, 79-902, 79-904.01, 79-931, 79-934, 79-954, 79-978, 79-978.01,
- 10 79-987, 79-992, 79-9,100.01, 79-9,105, 81-2014, 84-304, 84-304.02, and
- 11 84-1503, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2016, are repealed.
- 12 2. On page 120, line 28, strike "operative date of this section" and
- 13 insert "effective date of this act".
- 14 3. On page 148, line 7, strike "to provide operative dates;".

The Kolterman motion to return prevailed with 26 ayes, 1 nay, 16 present and not voting, and 6 excused and not voting.

SELECT FILE

LEGISLATIVE BILL 415. The Kolterman specific amendment, AM1403, found in this day's Journal, was adopted with 36 ayes, 0 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 644. ER86, found on page 1370, was adopted.

Senator Bolz offered her amendment, AM1390, found on page 1517.

Senator Bolz withdrew her amendment.

Senator Murante offered the following amendment:

AM1361

(Amendments to E&R amendments, ER86)

- 1 1. Strike section 16.
- 2 2. On page 24, line 26, strike "68-908,".
- 3 3. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.

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

Advanced to Enrollment and Review for Engrossment.

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

May 15, 2017

Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature
State Capitol, Room 2018
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. O'Donnell:

Engrossed Legislative Bill 332e was received in my office on May 9, 2017.

This bill was signed and delivered to the Secretary of State on May 15, 2017.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

May 15, 2017

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker,
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, and Members of the Legislature:

With this letter, I am returning LB 331e with my signature, but with line-item reductions.

In LB 327, I line-item reduced the Highway Cash Fund Appropriation of \$441,900,000 in FY 2017-18 and \$448,600,000 in FY 2018-19. By operation of current law, setting the appropriation at this level will cause an increase in the variable gas tax rate. This will increase the amount of revenue collected for the Roads Operations Cash Fund which you propose to use for higher General Fund appropriations for state agencies, boards, commissions, and institutions in state government.

In LB 331, I line-item vetoed the utilization of \$15,000,000 from the Roads Operations Cash Fund for General Fund appropriations downward to \$7,500,000 in both FY 2017-18 and in FY 2018-19. The Roads Operations Cash Fund is used to finance the construction program within the Department of Roads and is vital to the sustainability and growth of the State. Your proposal is setting a bad precedent of increasing and subsequently utilizing gas tax receipts for General Fund appropriations for other operations and aid programs throughout state government. This practice should not be undertaken in the State of Nebraska.

I urge you to sustain my line-item reductions.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

May 15, 2017

Mr. President, Mr. Speaker,
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, and Members of the Legislature:

With this letter, I am returning LB 327e with my signature, but with line-item reductions.

Nebraska's economy has recently faced significant challenges and that has been reflected in the level of tax receipts available to finance the essential services of state government. Nebraska families have tightened their belts and made personal sacrifices and state government must do likewise. While I appreciate your efforts to present a budget without a general tax increase, there remain two principal areas of concern.

In April, the Nebraska Economic Forecasting Advisory Board again revised downward the projection of tax receipts for the current fiscal year and the upcoming budget biennium by \$55 million. You have responded by lowering the statutory requirement to maintain a minimum reserve in the General Fund from 3.0 percent downward to 2.5 percent. This is an artificial

solution in response to lower tax receipts that allows approximately \$40 million of additional spending when prudent fiscal management calls for a higher reserve and less spending from the General Fund—not a lower reserve and more spending.

Your budget proposal also includes a gas tax increase that produces extra highway user fee revenue for the Roads Operations Cash Fund which is redirected and used for \$15 million of additional General Fund spending. Taxpayers expect that their highway gas taxes be used for transportation infrastructure and not for the general operations of other state government operations and aid programs.

My line-item vetoes of General Fund appropriations in LB 327 and LB 330 total approximately \$56.5 million.

I line-item reduced the Highway Cash Fund Appropriation of \$441,900,000 in FY 2017-18 and \$448,600,000 in FY 2018-19. By operation of current law, setting the appropriation at the level you set will cause an increase in the variable gas tax rate. This will increase the amount of revenue collected for the Roads Operations Cash Fund, which you propose to use for higher General Fund appropriations for state agencies, boards, commissions, and institutions in state government.

I have reduced the Highway Cash Fund Appropriation by \$4,400,000 in FY 2017-18 and \$2,100,000 in FY 2018-19 to eliminate your proposed increase in the variable gas tax. I have also line-item vetoed your proposed use of \$7,500,000 of the highway gas tax revenues annually from the Roads Operations Cash Fund for the general operations of state government.

I have line-item reduced by 0.5 percent the General Fund appropriations for operations only (attachment enclosed) of various state agencies, boards, and commissions of state government and the community colleges. The following programs are excluded from this line-item reduction: 1) programs already reduced by three percent or more in LB 327, 2) programs excluded for reduction in FY 2016-17 in LB 22, and 3) further reductions calculated to be less than \$1,000. This 0.5 percent reduction in General Fund appropriations for operations totals \$5,286,431 in FY 2017-18 and \$5,370,458 in FY 2018-19.

I have vetoed \$16,864,489 General Funds in FY 2017-18 and \$16,864,489 in FY 2018-19 for provider rates in four programs within the Department of Health and Human Services; Behavioral Health Aid, Medicaid, Child Welfare Aid, and Developmentally Disabled Aid. This veto returns the level of funding for provider rates to the amounts I recommended in my budget submitted to the Legislature on January 12, 2017.

The Behavioral Health Aid portion of this veto includes \$1,186,633 General Funds for each year of the biennium, equating to a 1.9 percent reduction in

General Funds available for contracts with the state's six behavioral health regions.

My veto of \$11,810,514 General Funds for FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 in Medicaid expands the three percent reduction contained in LB 327 for hospitals and physicians to the other provider groups in Medicaid. No additional reductions are recommended for hospital services and physician services beyond the reductions already included in LB 327. The General Fund veto for Medicaid provider rates does not reduce the \$2,600,000 General Funds added each year to increase payments for twenty-seven hospitals paid under a prospective payment system that were negatively affected by a new payment mechanism implemented in 2014.

My FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 veto of \$640,914 General Funds for Child Welfare Aid amounts to a 2.2 percent reduction in General Funds available for rates for congregate care services, family support services, and drug testing services. My veto does not impact the \$11,500,000 General Funds added for each of FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 for increased child welfare contract costs in the Eastern Service Area.

I have vetoed \$3,226,428 General Funds for FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 for the Developmental Disability Aid Program. This reduction represents a 2.2 percent reduction in funds available for provider rates and is consistent with the reduction I recommended in January 2017. The veto does not reduce the \$1,697,234 General Funds added for FY 2017-18 or the \$3,474,752 General Funds added for FY 2018-19 in LB 327 to serve persons on the developmentally disabled waiting list. The veto also does not affect the estimated \$400,000 General Funds available each year to serve individuals on the wait list made available from savings due to the closure of the Bridges Program in Hastings. The \$302,042 General Funds added each year of the biennium for services required under the DD Custody Act are also not subject to my veto.

I have vetoed \$125,000 of cash fund appropriation and \$42,230 of salary limit in FY 2017-18 and FY 2018-19 in the Department of Labor. This entirely new appropriation incorporates portions of LB 416, a bill that would have mandated the Department to hire two new bilingual investigators. LB 327 funds one new bilingual investigator in the agency.

Additional funding for this new staff position is not needed. The agency currently employs one bilingual Labor Law Specialist to assist in investigations and is in the process of hiring for a second position. The second position has been vacant for six months as the agency actively searches for a qualified bilingual applicant. At a time when we are reducing the size of state government, adding a third staff position to the Department is not warranted. Another concern is that the earmark contained in LB 327 would pay the \$125,000 additional annual cost from an agency cash fund without providing any additional revenue.

You have reduced the required General Fund minimum reserve in order to artificially present a balanced budget for the 2017-2019 budget biennium. Your budget proposal includes a gas tax increase that provides extra revenue for the Roads Operations Cash Fund which is then used for the general operations and aid programs of state government.

My \$56.5 million in line-item vetoes restore the General Fund reserve to three percent without the use of a financing gimmick or using increased highway gas taxes.

I urge you to sustain my line-item reductions.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Pete Ricketts
Governor

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 251. Introduced by Murante, 49.

WHEREAS, the Norfolk Veterans' Home Foundation, Inc. has offered to the Norfolk Veterans' Home Heroes Park Project a gift of materials, labor, and in-kind services of \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, the gift of materials, labor, and in-kind services will be used for grading, soil preparation work, concrete work, electrical work, and landscaping for a World War II and Korean War Memorial to be added to the Flag Plaza located in front of the Norfolk Veterans' Home; and

WHEREAS, Norfolk Veterans' Home Foundation, Inc. will be responsible for payment of any debts incurred for work described through the use of donated funds and for all perpetual maintenance of the memorial, excluding normal mowing and snow removal by the Norfolk Veterans' Home, and no expense will be passed on to the state; and

WHEREAS, the project will be a wonderful addition to the Norfolk Veterans' Home and will add to the quality of life of the veterans served by the home; and

WHEREAS, the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee of the Legislature held a public hearing on this matter on May 15, 2017.

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

1. That the Legislature approves the gift from the Norfolk Veterans' Home Foundation, Inc. to the Norfolk Veterans' Home Heroes Park Project of materials, labor, and in-kind services of \$300,000.

2. That such approval is granted with the understanding that the materials, labor, and in-kind services will be used for adding a World War II and Korean War Memorial to the Flag Plaza located in front of the Norfolk Veterans' Home.

Laid over.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 26. Read. Considered.

LR26 was adopted with 24 ayes, 1 nay, 17 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 27. Read. Considered.

Senator Bolz offered the following amendment:

AM643

- 1 1. In the fourth WHEREAS clause, strike "Charities" and insert
- 2 "Social Services".

Senator Bolz moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 21 ayes, 4 nays, and 24 not voting.

Senator Bolz requested a roll call vote on her amendment.

Voting in the affirmative, 23:

Baker	Ebke	Krist	Quick	Walz
Blood	Hansen	McCollister	Scheer	Williams
Bolz	Harr	McDonnell	Schumacher	Wishart
Chambers	Howard	Morfeld	Stinner	
Crawford	Kolowski	Pansing Brooks	Vargas	

Voting in the negative, 5:

Brewer	Briese	Erdman	Halloran	Lowe
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Present and not voting, 14:

Albrecht	Clements	Geist	Larson	Riepe
Bostelman	Craighead	Hughes	Linehan	Smith
Brasch	Friesen	Kuehn	Murante	

Excused and not voting, 7:

Groene	Hilkemann	Lindstrom	Wayne
Hilgers	Kolterman	Watermeier	

The Bolz amendment lost with 23 ayes, 5 nays, 14 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

LR27 was adopted with 21 ayes, 7 nays, 14 present and not voting, and 7 excused and not voting.

COMMITTEE REPORT(S)
Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

LEGISLATIVE BILL 482. Placed on General File.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 95. Reported to the Legislature for further consideration.

The Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee desires to report favorably upon the appointment(s) listed below. The Committee suggests the appointments(s) be confirmed by the Legislature and suggests a record vote.

Steven F. Danon - State Emergency Response Commission

Aye: 8 Blood, Brewer, Briese, Craighead, Hilgers, Lowe, Murante, Wayne.
Nay: 0. Absent: 0. Present and not voting: 0.

(Signed) John Murante, Chairperson

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

Unanimous consent to add Senator(s) as cointroducer(s). No objections. So ordered.

Senator Halloran name added to LR181.

WITHDRAW - Cointroducer(s)

Senator Groene name withdrawn from LR6.
Senator Groene name withdrawn from LR218.

VISITORS

Visitors to the Chamber were Senator Scheer's wife, father-in-law, and mother-in-law, Kris Scheer, and Doug and Ginge Dudley.

ADJOURNMENT

At 3:10 p.m., on a motion by Senator Walz, the Legislature adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

Patrick J. O'Donnell
Clerk of the Legislature

