## LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

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## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 139**

## FINAL READING

Introduced by Kolterman, 24; Lowe, 37; Lindstrom, 18; Briese, 41.

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Committee: Business and Labor

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Contractor Registration Act; to amend
- 2 section 48-2117, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change
- 3 provisions relating to a data base of contractors; to provide for a
- 4 presumption; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 48-2117, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is

- 2 amended to read:
- 3 48-2117 (1) The Department of Labor, in conjunction with the
- 4 Department of Revenue, shall create a data base of contractors who are
- 5 registered under the Contractor Registration Act and the Nebraska Revenue
- 6 Act of 1967.
- 7 (2) The data base shall be accessible on the web site of the
- 8 Department of Labor.
- 9 (3) The data base shall include, but not be limited to, the
- 10 following information with respect to each registered contractor:
- 11 <u>(a) Whether the contractor carries workers' compensation insurance</u>
- 12 <u>in accordance with the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act;</u>
- 13 (b) Whether the contractor is self-insured in accordance with the
- 14 Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; or
- 15 <u>(c) Whether the contractor is a sole proprietor with no employees</u>
- 16 <u>and does not carry workers' compensation insurance pursuant to the</u>
- 17 <u>Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act.</u>
- 18 (4) The information described in subdivision (3)(c) of this section,
- 19 <u>as it is listed in the data base, creates a presumption of no coverage</u>
- 20 that may be rebutted by an insurer acknowledging coverage for a claimed
- 21 <u>covered event.</u>
- 22 (5) The information required under subsection (3) of this section
- 23 and the presumption provided in subsection (4) of this section are solely
- 24 for the purpose of establishing premiums for workers' compensation
- 25 insurance and shall not affect liability under the Nebraska Workers'
- 26 Compensation Act or compliance efforts pursuant to section 48-145.01.
- 27 (6) (2) Any contractor that fails to comply with the requirements of
- 28 the Contractor Registration Act or Nebraska Revenue Act of 1967 shall be
- 29 removed from the data base.
- 30 Sec. 2. Original section 48-2117, Reissue Revised Statutes of
- 31 Nebraska, is repealed.