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**LEGISLATIVE BILL 154**

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Committee: Judiciary

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska State Patrol; to require a
- 2 report on missing Native American women in Nebraska.
- 3 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           Section 1.   The Nebraska State Patrol shall conduct a study to  
2 determine how to increase state criminal justice protective and  
3 investigative resources for reporting and identifying missing Native  
4 American women in Nebraska. The Nebraska State Patrol shall work with the  
5 Commission on Indian Affairs to convene meetings with tribal and local  
6 law enforcement partners, federally recognized tribes, and urban Indian  
7 organizations to determine the scope of the problem, identify barriers,  
8 and find ways to create partnerships to increase reporting and  
9 investigation of missing Native American women. Consultation and  
10 collaboration with federally recognized tribes shall be conducted with  
11 respect for government-to-government relations. The Nebraska State Patrol  
12 shall work with the United States Department of Justice to increase  
13 information sharing and resource coordination to focus on reporting and  
14 investigating missing Native American women in Nebraska. The Nebraska  
15 State Patrol shall submit a report electronically to the Executive Board  
16 of the Legislative Council by June 1, 2020, on the results of such study.  
17 Such report shall include data and analysis of the number of missing  
18 Native American women in Nebraska, identification of barriers in  
19 providing state resources to address the issue, and recommendations,  
20 including any proposed legislation, to improve the reporting and  
21 identification of missing Native American women in Nebraska.