

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 169

Introduced by Friesen, 34.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to examine issues raised during the hearing and debate on Legislative Bill 462, One Hundred Sixth Legislature, First Session, 2019, and examine potential improvements to the enforcement of the One-Call Notification System Act. The issues addressed by this interim study shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) The creation of a dispute resolution board to hear complaints of violations of the One-Call Notification System Act and make recommendations on the final determination of such complaints;

(2) The composition of such dispute resolution board, the powers of and limitations on such dispute resolution board, and the processes that should be employed by such dispute resolution board;

(3) How the expenses of such a dispute resolution board may be funded without creating a General Fund impact;

(4) The appropriate state agency to have authority over the dispute resolution board; and

(5) Alternatives to a dispute resolution board that would increase the enforcement efficiency and effectiveness under the One-Call Notification System Act.

In order to carry out the purposes of this resolution, the assistance and input of the underground construction industry, operators of underground utility facilities, the board of directors of the statewide one-call notification center, the State Fire Marshal, the Attorney General, and other parties, agencies, or political subdivisions impacted by such issues shall be sought.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH

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.