ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 193

Introduced by Bolz, 29.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to assess implementation of the federal Family First Prevention Services Act in Nebraska and identify opportunities for children and families in Nebraska. The Family First Prevention Services Act is a historic federal law that permits states the option to use federal Title IV-E funding for prevention services, including mental health and substance abuse treatment, for children at imminent risk of entering foster care and their parents or kin caregivers and for pregnant and parenting youth. The interim study shall include, but not be limited to, a review of:

(1) Opportunities to maximize federal funding;

(2) Best practices for implementing prevention services, specifically evidence-based services;

(3) Strategies for appropriate oversight of child welfare services, including prevention services;

(4) Kinship navigator programs to assist families accessing services and supports leading to family success; and

(5) The adequacy of provider networks for prevention services and supports.

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

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