

ONE HUNDRED SIXTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 364

Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to conduct an in-depth review of the use of plastic shopping bags and single-use checkout bags.

The issues addressed by this interim study shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) Legislation enacting fees or bans on plastic shopping bags and single-use checkout bags, including the effects of such legislation on reducing the use of such bags;

(2) The effectiveness of different fee amounts in reducing the use of plastic shopping bags and single-use checkout bags;

(3) The impact of such fees on low-income individuals or those who rely on benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program or other similar programs;

(4) The implementation of such fees in other jurisdictions;

(5) Environmental impacts of plastic shopping bags and single-use checkout bags, including, but not limited to, the impacts on farmland, livestock, and water treatment plants; and

(6) Possible methods to produce and distribute reusable canvas shopping bags.

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

1. That the Revenue 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.