

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 124

Introduced by Wayne, 13.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to examine issues related to the designation of extremely blighted areas under the Community Development Law. The issues addressed by this interim study shall include, but not be limited to:

(1) A review of the provisions in Article VIII, section 12, of the Constitution of Nebraska and the Community Development Law that govern extremely blighted areas;

(2) A review of areas that have been designated by municipalities as extremely blighted areas since the passage of Amendment 2 by Nebraska voters in November 2020;

(3) An examination of the definition of extremely blighted area under the Community Development Law and whether such definition is sufficiently limited to encourage the use of tax-increment financing in the hardest hit neighborhoods within municipalities; and

(4) An examination of any additional requirements placed by municipalities on the use of tax-increment financing for more than fifteen years within areas that have been designated as extremely blighted areas, including whether such additional requirements should be codified in the Community Development Law.

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

1. That the Urban Affairs 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.