

ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 209

Introduced by McDonnell, 5; McKinney, 11.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this interim study is to examine the appropriations necessary for creating public health crisis zones for certain areas in Nebraska.

This study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination of the following:

(1) Criteria related to public health, behavioral health, poverty, substance abuse rates, and any other relevant criteria, that would be included in a public health crisis zone program;

(2) Statutes and funding applicable to natural disasters and if such statutes and funding could be used as a framework for creating a public health crisis zone program;

(3) Public health crisis zone programs in other states; and

(4) The funding, resources, and process needed to create a public health crisis zone program and the role of the Legislature in:

(a) Stopping or diminishing a public health crisis in the defined area; and

(b) Providing funding to local public health departments, counties, municipalities, and other entities that would play a role in implementing a public health crisis zone program.

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

1. That the Appropriations 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.