

**THIRTY-FOURTH DAY - MARCH 1, 2022****LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION****THIRTY-FOURTH DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska  
Tuesday, March 1, 2022

**PRAYER**

The prayer was offered by Reverend Darin Corder, Bennet Community Church, Bennet.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Blood.

**ROLL CALL**

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:00 a.m., Speaker Hilgers presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Briese, M. Cavanaugh, Friesen, B. Hansen, and Stinner who were excused until they arrive.

**CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL**

The Journal for the thirty-third day was approved.

**COMMITTEE REPORT(S)**

Natural Resources

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 1045.** Placed on General File with amendment.

**AM2081**

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new  
2 sections:  
3 Section 1. (1) For purposes of this section:  
4 (a) Base load means the minimum amount of electric power delivered  
5 or required over a given period of time at a steady, continuous rate;  
6 (b) Base load capacity means the electric generating equipment  
7 normally operated to serve electric power loads on a continuous, around-  
8 the-clock basis;  
9 (c) Base load unit means a plant, usually housing high-efficiency  
10 steam-electric units, which is normally operated to take all or part of

11 the base load of an electric system, capable of producing more than one  
 12 hundred megawatts of electricity at an essentially constant rate and  
 13 running continuously, and which maximizes system mechanical and thermal  
 14 efficiency and minimizes system operating costs; and  
 15 (d) Public power supplier means a public power district, public  
 16 power and irrigation district, or any other governmental entity providing  
 17 electric service. Public power supplier includes a municipal electric  
 18 utility.

19 (2) Any public power supplier that retires or permanently shuts down  
 20 a base load unit, or switches fuel which reduces the base load capacity  
 21 of a base load unit, before the expiration of its license or the end of  
 22 its operational or useful life, as approved by the Nebraska Power Review  
 23 Board in its discretion, shall:

24 (a) Pay a severance to any permanent employee employed at such base  
 25 load unit who is terminated or laid off as a result of such retirement,  
 26 shutdown, or reduction for a period of five years at the same rate of pay  
 27 received by such employee on the employee's termination or lay-off date;  
 1 and

2 (b) Remit payment of a fee of fifty million dollars to the county  
 3 treasurer of the county in which such base load unit is located, such  
 4 amount to be allocated to the taxing subdivisions in the county in the  
 5 same proportion that payments in lieu of taxes made by the public power  
 6 supplier are allocated to such subdivisions.

7 Sec. 2. Section 70-619, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
 8 amended to read:

9 70-619 (1) The corporate powers of the district shall be vested in  
 10 and exercised by the board of directors of the district. No person shall  
 11 be qualified to hold office as a member of the board of directors unless  
 12 (a) he or she is a registered voter (i) of such chartered territory, (ii)  
 13 of the subdivision from which a director is to be elected if such  
 14 chartered territory is subdivided for election purposes as provided in  
 15 subsection (1), (2), or (3) of section 70-612, or (iii) of one of the  
 16 combined subdivisions from which directors are to be elected at large as  
 17 provided in section 70-612 or (b) he or she is a retail customer duly  
 18 certified in accordance with subsection (3) of section 70-604.03.

19 ~~(2) (2)(a) No person who is a full-time or part-time employee of the~~  
 20 ~~district shall be eligible to serve as a member of the board of directors~~  
 21 ~~of that district and no high-level manager employed by a district may~~  
 22 ~~serve as a member of the board of directors of any district unless such~~  
 23 ~~person (i) resigns or (ii) assumes an unpaid leave of absence for the~~  
 24 ~~term as a member. The employing district shall grant such leave of~~  
 25 ~~absence when requested by any employee for the purpose of the employee~~  
 26 ~~serving as a member of such board. A member of a governing body of any~~  
 27 ~~one of the municipalities within the areas of the district may not serve~~  
 28 ~~on the original board of directors under sections 70-603 to 70-609.~~

29 ~~(b) For purposes of this subsection, high-level manager means a~~  
 30 ~~person employed by a district who serves in a high-level managerial~~  
 31 ~~position, including chief executive officer, president, vice president,~~  
 1 ~~chief financial officer, chief operations officer, general manager, or~~  
 2 ~~assistant general manager.~~

3 Sec. 3. Section 70-1001, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
 4 amended to read:

5 70-1001 (1) In order to provide the citizens of the state with  
 6 adequate and reliable electric service at as low overall cost as  
 7 possible, consistent with sound business practices, it is the policy of  
 8 this state to avoid and eliminate conflict and competition between public  
 9 power districts, public power and irrigation districts, individual  
 10 municipalities, registered groups of municipalities, electric membership  
 11 associations, and cooperatives in furnishing electric energy to retail  
 12 and wholesale customers, to avoid and eliminate the duplication of

13 facilities and resources which result therefrom, and to facilitate the  
 14 settlement of rate disputes between suppliers of electricity.  
 15 (2) It is also the policy of the state to prepare for an evolving  
 16 retail electricity market if certain conditions are met which indicate  
 17 that retail competition is in the best interests of the citizens of the  
 18 state. The determination on the timing and form of competitive markets is  
 19 a matter properly left to the states as each state must evaluate the  
 20 costs and benefits of a competitive retail market based on its own unique  
 21 conditions. Consequently, there is a need for the state to monitor  
 22 whether the conditions necessary for its citizens to benefit from retail  
 23 competition exist.  
 24 (3) It is also the policy of the state to encourage and allow  
 25 opportunities for private developers to develop, own, and operate  
 26 renewable energy facilities intended for sale at wholesale under a  
 27 statutory framework which protects the ratepayers of consumer-owned  
 28 utility systems operating in the state from subsidizing the costs of such  
 29 export facilities through their rates.  
 30 Sec. 4. Section 70-1001.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
 31 amended to read:  
 1 70-1001.01 For purposes of sections 70-1001 to 70-1028, unless the  
 2 context otherwise requires:  
 3 (1) Board means the Nebraska Power Review Board;  
 4 (2) Electric suppliers or suppliers of electricity means any legal  
 5 entity supplying, producing, or distributing electricity within the state  
 6 for sale at wholesale or retail;  
 7 (3) Private electric supplier means an electric supplier producing  
 8 electricity from a privately developed renewable energy generation  
 9 facility that is not a public power district, a public power and  
 10 irrigation district, a municipality, a registered group of  
 11 municipalities, an electric cooperative, an electric membership  
 12 association, any other governmental entity, or any combination thereof;  
 13 (4) Privately developed renewable energy generation facility means a  
 14 facility that (a) generates electricity using solar, wind, geothermal,  
 15 biomass, landfill gas, or biogas, including all electrically connected  
 16 equipment used to produce, collect, and store the facility output up to  
 17 and including the transformer that steps up the voltage to sixty thousand  
 18 volts or greater, and including supporting structures, buildings, and  
 19 roads, unless otherwise agreed to in a joint transmission development  
 20 agreement, (b) is developed, constructed, and owned, in whole or in part,  
 21 by one or more private electric suppliers, and (c) is not wholly owned by  
 22 a public power district, a public power and irrigation district, a  
 23 municipality, a registered group of municipalities, an electric  
 24 cooperative, an electric membership association, any other governmental  
 25 entity, or any combination thereof;  
 26 (5) Regional transmission organization means an entity independent  
 27 from those entities generating or marketing electricity at wholesale or  
 28 retail, which has operational control over the electric transmission  
 29 lines in a designated geographic area in order to reduce constraints in  
 30 the flow of electricity and ensure that all power suppliers have open  
 31 access to transmission lines for the transmission of electricity;  
 1 (6) Reliable or reliability means the ability of an electric  
 2 supplier whose chartered territory comprises more than one-half of the  
 3 counties in Nebraska or whose service area contains a city of the  
 4 metropolitan class to supply the aggregate electric power and energy  
 5 requirements of its electricity consumers in Nebraska at all times,  
 6 taking into account scheduled and expected unscheduled outages of system  
 7 components, and to withstand sudden disturbances such as electric short  
 8 circuits or unanticipated loss of system components;  
 9 (7) (6) Representative organization means an organization designated  
 10 by the board and organized for the purpose of providing joint planning

11 and encouraging maximum cooperation and coordination among electric  
12 suppliers. Such organization shall represent electric suppliers owning a  
13 combined electric generation plant capacity of at least ninety percent of  
14 the total electric generation plant capacity constructed and in operation  
15 within the state;  
16 (8) (7) State means the State of Nebraska; and  
17 (9) (8) Unbundled retail rates means the separation of utility bills  
18 into the individual price components for which an electric supplier  
19 charges its retail customers, including, but not limited to, the separate  
20 charges for the generation, transmission, and distribution of  
21 electricity.  
22 Sec. 5. Section 70-1025, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
23 amended to read:  
24 70-1025 (1) The representative organization shall file with the  
25 board a coordinated long-range power supply plan containing the following  
26 information:  
27 (a) The identification of all electric generation plants operating  
28 or authorized for construction within the state that have a rated  
29 capacity of at least twenty-five thousand kilowatts;  
30 (b) The identification of all transmission lines located or  
31 authorized for construction within the state that have a rated capacity  
1 of at least two hundred thirty kilovolts; and  
2 (c) The identification of all additional planned electric generation  
3 and transmission requirements needed to serve estimated power supply  
4 demands within the state for a period of twenty years.  
5 (2) Beginning in 1986, the representative organization shall file  
6 with the board the coordinated long-range power supply plan specified in  
7 subsection (1) of this section, and the board shall determine the date on  
8 which such report is to be filed, except that such report shall not be  
9 required to be filed more often than biennially.  
10 (3) An annual load and capability report shall be filed with the  
11 board by the representative organization. The report shall include:  
12 (a) ~~Statewide~~ statewide utility load forecasts and the resources  
13 available to satisfy the loads over a twenty-year period; -  
14 (b) Information regarding annual accredited generation unit  
15 availability including limitations, scheduled outages, and forced  
16 outages;  
17 (c) A description of adequate fuel supply planning for the next two  
18 calendar years for thermal generation units which are one hundred  
19 megawatts or larger;  
20 (d) A description of any changes to the accredited capacity of  
21 generating units since the last report, if applicable, and the potential  
22 impacts to electric system reliability; and  
23 (e) Information on utility decarbonization goals and identified  
24 plans to achieve those goals including any potential impacts to electric  
25 system reliability.  
26 (4) The annual load and capability report shall be filed on dates  
27 specified by the board.  
28 Sec. 6. Original sections 70-619, 70-1001, 70-1001.01, and 70-1025,  
29 Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, are repealed.

(Signed) Bruce Bostelman, Chairperson

**RESOLUTION(S)**

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 311.** Introduced by Slama, 1.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this resolution is to examine issues related to the workplace policies of the Legislature. This study shall include, but not be limited to, an examination and review of the Legislature's workplace harassment policy.

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

1. That the Executive Board of the Legislative Council 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.

Referred to the Executive Board.

**SELECT FILE**

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 767A.** Senator Kolterman offered his amendment, [AM2076](#), found on page 652.

The Kolterman amendment was adopted with 40 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 5 excused and not voting.

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**GENERAL FILE**

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 1099.** Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM1895](#), found on page 568, was adopted with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 43 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 964.** Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 38 ayes, 0 nays, 7 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 804.** Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 41 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 887.** Title read. Considered.

**SENATOR WILLIAMS PRESIDING**

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 37 ayes, 0 nays, 9 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 698.** Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 820.** Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 35 ayes, 0 nays, 11 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 840.** Title read. Considered.

Committee [AM1915](#), found on page 599, was adopted with 38 ayes, 0 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 40 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 888.** Title read. Considered.

Senator Day offered her amendment, [AM1995](#), found on page 635.

**SPEAKER HILGERS PRESIDING**

The Day amendment was adopted with 44 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 44 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 1 excused and not voting.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 436.** Title read. Considered.

Senator B. Hansen offered the following amendment:

[AM499](#)

- 1 1. On page 3, line 18, after the second "modalities" insert
- 2 "including, but not limited to, dry needling"; and in lines 22 and 27
- 3 strike "board shall adopt" and insert "department shall adopt and
- 4 promulgate".
- 5 2. On page 4, line 7, strike "advanced practice registered nurse-;
- 6 and in line 11 strike "medical".
- 7 3. On page 5, line 21, reinstate the stricken matter beginning with
- 8 "No" through "the" and after the reinstated "the" insert "functions
- 9 outlined in section 38-408 unless the person first"; and in lines 23
- 10 through 25 reinstate the stricken matter.

11 4. On page 6, strike beginning with "accredited" in line 4 through  
 12 "trainer" in line 6, show the old matter as stricken, and insert  
 13 "athletic training education program accredited by an accrediting body  
 14 approved by the board".

The B. Hansen amendment was adopted with 43 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 43 ayes, 0 nays, 4 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

## COMMITTEE REPORT(S)

### Revenue

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 596.** Placed on General File with amendment.

#### [AM2034](#)

1 1. On page 2, line 31, strike "three" and insert "five".  
 2 2. On page 3, line 3, strike "five" and insert "eight"; and in line  
 3 11 strike "2021" and insert "2022".  
 4 3. On page 4, strike lines 3 through 5 and insert the following new  
 5 subsection:  
 6 "(2) The department shall consider applications in the order in  
 7 which they are received and may approve tax credits until the annual  
 8 limit for the calendar year has been reached. For calendar year 2022, the  
 9 annual limit on tax credits shall be two million dollars. For calendar  
 10 year 2023 and each calendar year thereafter, the annual limit on tax  
 11 credits shall be calculated by taking the annual limit from the prior  
 12 calendar year and then multiplying such amount by (a) two hundred percent  
 13 if the amount of tax credits approved in the prior calendar year exceeded  
 14 ninety percent of the annual limit applicable to that calendar year or  
 15 (b) one hundred percent if the amount of tax credits approved in the  
 16 prior calendar year did not exceed ninety percent of the annual limit  
 17 applicable to that calendar year. In no case shall the annual limit on  
 18 tax credits exceed four million dollars."; and in line 19 strike "2025"  
 19 and insert "2026".

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 729.** Placed on General File with amendment.

#### [AM2084](#)

1 1. On page 4, line 11, after the second "and" insert ", in  
 2 consultation with the Speaker of the Legislature, the chairperson of the  
 3 Executive Board of the Legislative Council, the chairperson of the  
 4 Appropriations Committee of the Legislature, and the chairperson of the  
 5 Revenue Committee of the Legislature,".

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 730.** Placed on General File with amendment.

[AM2087](#) is available in the Bill Room.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 1080.** Placed on General File with amendment.

#### [AM2039](#)

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new  
 2 sections:  
 3 Section 1. Section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
 4 2020, is amended to read:  
 5 77-3506 (1) All homesteads in this state shall be assessed for  
 6 taxation the same as other property, except that there shall be exempt  
 7 from taxation, on any homestead described in subsection (2) of this

8 section, one hundred percent of the exempt amount.

9 (2) The exemption described in subsection (1) of this section shall  
10 apply to homesteads of:

11 (a) A veteran who was discharged or otherwise separated with a  
12 characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions),  
13 who is drawing compensation from the United States Department of Veterans  
14 Affairs because of one hundred percent service-connected permanent  
15 disability, and who is not eligible for total exemption under sections  
16 77-3526 to 77-3528;

17 ~~(b) An an unmarried surviving spouse of such a veteran described  
18 in subdivision (2)(a) of this section, or a surviving spouse of such a  
19 veteran who remarries after attaining the age of fifty-seven years;~~  
20 (c) A veteran who was discharged or otherwise separated with a  
21 characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions),  
22 who is drawing compensation from the United States Department of Veterans  
23 Affairs because of one hundred percent service-connected temporary  
24 disability, and who is not eligible for total exemption under sections  
25 77-3526 to 77-3528, an unmarried spouse of such a veteran, or a  
26 surviving spouse of such a veteran who remarries after attaining the age  
27 of fifty-seven years;

1 ~~(d) (b)~~ An unmarried surviving spouse of any veteran, including a  
2 veteran other than a veteran described in section 80-401.01, who was  
3 discharged or otherwise separated with a characterization of honorable or  
4 general (under honorable conditions) and who died because of a service-  
5 connected disability or a surviving spouse of such a veteran who  
6 remarries after attaining the age of fifty-seven years;

7 ~~(e) (e)~~ An unmarried surviving spouse of a serviceman or  
8 servicewoman, including a veteran other than a veteran described in  
9 section 80-401.01, whose death while on active duty was service-connected  
10 or a surviving spouse of such a serviceman or servicewoman who remarries  
11 after attaining the age of fifty-seven years; and

12 ~~(f) (d)~~ An unmarried surviving spouse of a serviceman or  
13 servicewoman who died while on active duty during the periods described  
14 in section 80-401.01 or a surviving spouse of such a serviceman or  
15 servicewoman who remarries after attaining the age of fifty-seven years.

16 (3) Application for exemption under subdivision (2)(a) of this  
17 section shall be required once every five years and shall include  
18 certification of the status described in subdivision (2)(a) set forth in  
19 subsection (2) of this section from the United States Department of  
20 Veterans Affairs. Application for exemption under subdivision (2)(b),  
21 (c), (d), (e), or (f) of this section shall be required annually and  
22 shall include certification of the status described in subdivision (2)  
23 (b), (c), (d), (e), or (f) of this section from the United States  
24 Department of Veterans Affairs, except that such certification of status  
25 shall only be required once every five years. ~~Such certification shall not~~  
26 be required in succeeding years if no change in status has occurred,  
27 except that the county assessor or the Tax Commissioner may request such  
28 certification to verify that no change in status has occurred.

29 Sec. 2. Section 77-3512, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2021, is  
30 amended to read:

31 77-3512 (1) It shall be the duty of each owner who wants a  
1 homestead exemption under section 77-3506, 77-3507, or 77-3508 to file an  
2 application therefor with the county assessor of the county in which the  
3 homestead is located after February 1 and on or before June 30 of each  
4 year. ~~Failure to do so shall constitute a waiver of the exemption for~~  
5 ~~that year~~, except that:

6 ~~(a) (1)~~ The county board of the county in which the homestead is  
7 located may, by majority vote, extend the deadline for an applicant to on  
8 or before July 20. An extension shall not be granted to an applicant who  
9 received an extension in the immediately preceding year;



10 (b) (2) An owner may file a late application pursuant to section  
11 77-3514.01 if he or she includes documentation of a medical condition  
12 which impaired the owner's ability to file the application in a timely  
13 manner; ~~and~~  
14 (c) (3) An owner may file a late application pursuant to section  
15 77-3514.01 if he or she includes a copy of the death certificate of a  
16 spouse who died during the year for which the exemption is requested; -  
17 (d) A veteran qualifying for a homestead exemption under subdivision  
18 (2)(a) of section 77-3506 shall only be required to file an application  
19 once every five years; and  
20 (e) If a veteran who has been granted a homestead exemption under  
21 subdivision (2)(a) of section 77-3506 dies during the five-year exemption  
22 period, the surviving spouse of such veteran shall continue to receive  
23 such exemption for the remainder of the five-year exemption period. After  
24 the expiration of the five-year exemption period, the surviving spouse  
25 shall be required to file for an exemption under subdivision (2)(b) of  
26 section 77-3506 on an annual basis.  
27 (2) Failure to file an application as required in subsection (1) of  
28 this section shall constitute a waiver of the exemption for the year in  
29 which the failure occurred.  
30 Sec. 3. Section 77-3513, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
31 amended to read:  
1 77-3513 The county assessor shall mail a notice on or before April 1  
2 to claimants who are the owners of a homestead which was granted an  
3 exemption under section 77-3506, 77-3507, or 77-3508 and who are required  
4 to refile for such exemption in the current preceding year unless the  
5 claimant has already filed the application for the current year or the  
6 county assessor has reason to believe there has been a change of  
7 circumstances so that the claimant no longer qualifies. The notice shall  
8 include the claimant's name, the application deadlines for the current  
9 year, a list of documents that must be filed with the application, and  
10 the county assessor's office address and telephone number.  
11 Sec. 4. Section 77-3522, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is  
12 amended to read:  
13 77-3522 (1) Any person who makes any false or fraudulent claim for  
14 exemption or any false statement or false representation of a material  
15 fact in support of such claim or any person who knowingly assists another  
16 in the preparation of any such false or fraudulent claim or enters into  
17 any collusion with another by the execution of a fictitious deed or other  
18 instrument for the purpose of obtaining unlawful exemption under sections  
19 77-3501 to 77-3529 shall be guilty of a Class II misdemeanor and shall be  
20 subject to a forfeiture of any such exemption for a period of two years  
21 from the date of conviction. Any person who shall make an oath or  
22 affirmation to any false or fraudulent application for homestead  
23 exemption knowing the same to be false or fraudulent shall be guilty of a  
24 Class I misdemeanor.  
25 (2) In addition to the penalty provided in subsection (1) of this  
26 section, if any person (a) files a claim for exemption as provided in  
27 section 77-3506, 77-3507, or 77-3508 which is excessive due to  
28 misstatements by the owner filing such claim or (b) fails to notify the  
29 county assessor of a change in status of a veteran qualifying for a  
30 homestead exemption under subdivision (2)(a) of section 77-3506 which  
31 affected all or a portion of the exemption period, including a change in  
1 rating, a transfer of the property, or the death of the veteran, the  
2 claim may be disallowed in full and, if the claim has been allowed, an  
3 amount equal to the amount of taxes lawfully due during the applicable  
4 exemption period but not paid by reason of such unlawful and improper  
5 allowance of homestead exemption shall be due and shall upon entry of the  
6 amount thereof on the books of the county treasurer be a lien on such  
7 property until paid and a penalty equal to the amount of taxes lawfully

8 due but claimed for exemption shall be assessed. Any amount paid to  
 9 satisfy a lien imposed pursuant to this subsection shall be paid to the  
 10 county treasurer in the same manner that other property taxes are paid,  
 11 and the county treasurer shall remit such amount to the State Treasurer  
 12 for credit to the General Fund. Any penalty collected pursuant to this  
 13 subsection shall be retained by the county in which such penalty is  
 14 assessed.

15 (3) For any veteran claiming a homestead exemption under subdivision  
 16 (2)(a) of section 77-3506, the county assessor may revoke such exemption  
 17 back to the date on which the county assessor has reason to believe that  
 18 the exemption was improper upon notice to the veteran of the revocation.  
 19 The veteran may then provide evidence in favor of receiving the exemption  
 20 to the county assessor, and the county assessor may revise any revocation  
 21 based on such evidence. Any decision of the county assessor to revoke a  
 22 homestead exemption under this subsection may be appealed to the county  
 23 board within thirty days after the decision. The county board may reverse  
 24 or modify the revocation if there is clear and convincing evidence that  
 25 the veteran qualified for the exemption for a particular period of time.  
 26 (4) Any additional taxes or penalties imposed pursuant to this  
 27 section may be appealed in the same manner as appeals are made under  
 28 section 77-3519.

29 Sec. 5. This act becomes operative on January 1, 2023.

30 Sec. 6. Original sections 77-3513 and 77-3522, Reissue Revised

31 Statutes of Nebraska, section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative

1 Supplement, 2020, and section 77-3512, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2021,  
 2 are repealed.

(Signed) Lou Ann Linehan, Chairperson

### **BILL ON FIRST READING**

The following bill was read for the first time by title:

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 939A.** Introduced by Linehan, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of Legislative Bill 939, One Hundred Seventh Legislature, Second Session, 2022.

### **RESOLUTION(S)**

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 312.** Introduced by Hilkemann, 4.

WHEREAS, families are adversely affected by problem gambling in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nebraska allocates funds to provide education, counseling, and support to families affected by problem gambling; and

WHEREAS, awareness of the signs and symptoms is the key to recognizing problem gambling; and

WHEREAS, providing education to the residents of Nebraska about the dangers of problem gambling is needed to promote the prevention of problem gambling in the future.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes March 2022 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month in Nebraska.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the National Council on Problem Gambling, the Nebraska Council on Compulsive Gambling, and the Nebraska Commission on Problem Gambling.

Laid over.

#### **UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)**

Unanimous consent to add Senator(s) as cointroducer(s). No objections. So ordered.

Senator Jacobson name added to LB773.  
Senator Moser name added to LB773.  
Senator M. Hansen name added to LB815.  
Senator Walz name added to LB902.  
Senator McCollister name added to LB920.  
Senator Brewer name added to LB1099.  
Senator McCollister name added to LB1183.

#### **VISITOR(S)**

Visitors to the Chamber were students and teachers with the Nebraska State Thespians Society from across the State of Nebraska; a group of students and teachers from Madison High School; and a group of elementary and middle school students from Villa Marie School.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Jacob Peterson of Kearney.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 10:56 a.m., on a motion by Senator Flood, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, March 2, 2022.

Patrick J. O'Donnell  
Clerk of the Legislature

