

**SECOND DAY - JANUARY 4, 2024****LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
SECOND SESSION****SECOND DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska  
Thursday, January 4, 2024

**PRAYER**

The prayer was offered by Pastor Tevin Eddy, Berean Bible Church, Hastings.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Albrecht.

**ROLL CALL**

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 10:00 a.m., President Kelly presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Moser and Raybould who were excused; and Senators Conrad, Day, Dover, Hansen, Jacobson, Linehan, and Wishart who were excused until they arrived.

**CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL**

Page 154, line 22, strike "Erin" and insert "Eric".  
The Journal for the first day was approved as corrected.

**2023 INTERIM REPORT  
ON THE DISPOSITION OF  
INTERIM STUDY RESOLUTIONS**

Due to technical difficulties the report will be posted in a subsequent Legislative Journal.

**ANNOUNCEMENT(S)**

Priority designation(s) received:

Lippincott - LB600

**BILLS ON FIRST READING**

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 901.** Introduced by Linehan, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2704.12, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to provide a sales and use tax exemption for purchases by certain nonprofit organizations as prescribed; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 902.** Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to assisted-living facilities; to amend section 71-5905, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to prohibit a facility from requiring a third-party guarantee of payment as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 903.** Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Advisory Council; to amend sections 71-564 and 71-567, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change provisions relating to the membership of the council and the State Alzheimer's Plan; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 904.** Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to child care; to amend section 43-536, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change child care reimbursement rates; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 905.** Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the medical assistance program; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to submit a waiver or state plan amendment for medical respite care as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 906.** Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to child labor laws; to amend sections 48-311 and 48-312, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change penalties; to provide enforcement powers for the Department of Labor; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 907.** Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to require comprehensive coverage for treatment of obesity; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 908.** Introduced by Aguilar, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislature; to eliminate provisions relating to a legislative policy on telephones and telefax machines; and to outright repeal section 50-401.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 909.** Introduced by Aguilar, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Administrative Procedure Act; to amend section 84-910, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change a requirement relating to agency notice to the Executive Board of the Legislative Council; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 910.** Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to emergency medical services; to amend sections 38-1201 and 38-3321, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to authorize emergency care providers to provide emergency medical care to injured law enforcement canines; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 911.** Introduced by Blood, 3; Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Indian Child Welfare Act; to amend section 43-1501, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide duties for the Department of Health and Human Services and Office of Probation Administration relating to cases under the act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 912.** Introduced by Slama, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uninsured and Underinsured Motorist Insurance Coverage Act; to amend section 44-6401, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to authorize provisions in contracts reducing the limitations period for insured claims; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 913.** Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to submit a state plan amendment for postpartum coverage under the Children's Health Insurance Program as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 914.** Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to real property; to adopt the Uniform Unlawful Restrictions in Land Records Act; and to provide severability.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 915.** Introduced by Brewer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges; to amend section 85-304, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change and provide powers and duties of the board of trustees; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 916.** Introduced by Brewer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to forfeiture; to amend sections 28-439, 28-440, 28-445, 28-1439.02, 28-1439.03, 28-1601, 28-1602, 28-1603, 29-820, 37-1299, 37-12,102, 60-1901, 60-1903.01, and 81-2004.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 28-441, 28-442, and 81-2004.10, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022, and sections 28-101 and 28-416, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to adopt the Controlled Substance Offenses Forfeiture Act; to eliminate and transfer provisions relating to forfeiture and disposition of seized contraband; to eliminate an obsolete provision; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 28-431, 28-1439.04, and 28-1439.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 917.** Introduced by Wayne, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to define terms; to require the establishment of a standard prior authorization process; to require approval and use of prior authorization forms as prescribed; and to provide certain response time requirements for prior authorization requests.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 918.** Introduced by Wayne, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend sections 4-108, 4-111, 23-2306, 81-1410, 81-2016, and 84-1504, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 81-1401 and 84-1307, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to allow individuals who have received Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals status to receive law enforcement officer training and certification; to allow such persons to participate in retirement programs for such law enforcement positions; to define a term; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 919.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to correctional facilities; to define a term; and to require demolition of the Nebraska State Penitentiary as prescribed.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 920.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to amend section 68-1017.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a Restaurant Meals Program; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 921.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal justice; to provide for mentorship programs by probation and parole officers; to state legislative purpose; to define terms; to provide duties; and to require evaluations and reports.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 922.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal justice; to adopt the Parolee and Probationer Business Empowerment Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 923.** Introduced by McKinney, 11; Brewer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to tribal enrollment cards; to amend sections 53-167.02, 53-180.06, 69-2404, and 69-2430, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 28-1202.03, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to define a term; to allow the use of tribal enrollment cards for proof of age and identity for certain firearm and alcohol laws; to eliminate an obsolete provision; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 924.** Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-3501, 77-3501.01, 77-3505.02, 77-3506.02, 77-3506.03, 77-3509.01, 77-3509.03, 77-3510, 77-3511, 77-3514, 77-3516, 77-3521, and 77-3529, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 77-3517 and 77-3523, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022, and sections 77-3512, 77-3513, 77-3522, and 77-4212, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to define a term; to provide a homestead exemption for individuals that reside in qualified census tracts; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 925.** Introduced by Aguilar, 35; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government contracting; to adopt the Firearm Industry Nondiscrimination Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 926.** Introduced by Aguilar, 35; Lippincott, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to museums; to amend sections 51-703, 51-705, 51-708, and 51-709, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions of the Museum Property Act; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 927.** Introduced by Fredrickson, 20; Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to child welfare; to amend section 71-1924, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to require suicide awareness and prevention training for employees of child-placing agencies and child welfare workers; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 928.** Introduced by Fredrickson, 20; Bosn, 25; McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Correctional Health Care Services Act; to amend section 83-4,153, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 83-4,157, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to create the position of mental health director; to establish duties; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 929.** Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to telecommunications; to amend sections 86-1025 and 86-1029.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to state legislative findings; to provide for dual capability between the 911 service system and the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline; to provide duties; to provide immunity from liability; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 930.** Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to amend Laws 2023, LB814, section 198; to change provisions relating to an appropriation to the University of Nebraska; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 931.** Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to change the use of reappropriated Federal Funds as prescribed; to reduce and increase certain appropriations related to behavioral health purposes; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 932.** Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Mental Health Practice Act; to amend section 38-2123, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change provisions relating to provisional mental health practitioner licenses; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 933.** Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to change coverage requirements for continuous glucose monitors; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 934.** Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to consumer protection; to amend sections 59-1608.01, 59-1611, 59-1623, 87-303.02, and 87-306, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to venue for actions under the Consumer Protection Act; to change enforcement and investigation powers of the Attorney General for violations of such act and the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act; to provide for jury trials; to harmonize provisions; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 935.** Introduced by Ibach, 44; Brandt, 32; Holdcroft, 36; Vargas, 7; Walz, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 936.** Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county government; to eliminate provisions relating to the regulation of certain recreation, entertainment, and amusements; and to outright repeal sections 23-808, 23-809, 23-810, 23-811, 23-812, 23-813, 23-814, 23-815, 23-816, 23-817, and 23-818, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 937.** Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2715.07, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to adopt the Caregiver Tax Credit Act; to provide for tax credits; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 938.** Introduced by Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the County Purchasing Act; to amend sections 23-3104, 23-3105, 23-3107, 23-3108, 23-3109, 23-3111, and 23-3115, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; to change provisions relating to the county board, purchasing agent, purchases, competitive bidding, and surplus property; to allow auctions and trades; to eliminate special purchases; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 939.** Introduced by Erdman, 47; Halloran, 33; Lowe, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to school funding; to adopt the My Student, My Choice Act; and to provide an operative date.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 940.** Introduced by Dorn, 30; Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county government; to amend sections 23-103, 23-104, 23-104.01, and 23-104.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide the authority for counties to plan, initiate, fund, maintain, administer, and evaluate facilities, programs, and services for survivors of domestic violence or sexual assault as prescribed; to provide for counties to enter into agreements as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 941.** Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding appropriations for medicaid assisted-living facilities to the Department of Health and Human Services.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 942.** Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding appropriations for medicaid nursing facilities and reports by the Department of Health and Human Services regarding appropriations for medicaid nursing facilities.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 943.** Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to amend Laws 2023, LB814, section 91; to appropriate additional funds to the Department of Health and Human Services for behavioral health aid; to state intent; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 944.** Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public assistance; to amend section 68-996, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to provide for use of the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund for behavioral health needs of adults and children as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 945.** Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to children; to amend section 43-285, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022, and section 43-1311.03, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to require certain documents,



information, and materials be granted to children before leaving foster care; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 946.** Introduced by Day, 49.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public assistance; to amend section 68-1206, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to change requirements relating to payments to Child Care Subsidy program providers; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 947.** Introduced by Day, 49.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Building Construction Act; to amend section 71-6401, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to allow virtual inspection for certain building permits as prescribed; to require certain inspection records be made available to the public; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 948.** Introduced by McDonnell, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Community Development Law; to amend section 18-2119, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide certain requirements for redevelopment contracts; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 949.** Introduced by Linehan, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county assessors; to amend section 77-1311.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to inspection of real property; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 950.** Introduced by Linehan, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to occupation taxes; to amend sections 14-109, 15-202, 15-203, 16-205, 17-525, and 18-1208, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the collection of occupation taxes; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 951.** Introduced by Linehan, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public officials; to adopt the Public Officials on Private Boards Open Meetings Act.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 952.** Introduced by Day, 49; Aguilar, 35; Blood, 3; Bosn, 25; Bostar, 29; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Cavanaugh, M., 6; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10; Dungan, 26; Fredrickson, 20; Hughes, 24; Hunt, 8; McKinney, 11; Vargas, 7; Walz, 15; Wishart, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-10,137, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer program; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 953.** Introduced by Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to teachers; to provide tuition waivers for student teachers as prescribed.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 954.** Introduced by Kauth, 31; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to biometric data; to adopt the Biometric Autonomy Liberty Law; and to provide an operative date.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 955.** Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to business practices; to require certain notice to purchasers of gift certificates and gift cards; and to provide penalties.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 956.** Introduced by Bostar, 29; Brewer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to wind energy; to define terms; and to provide for installation and operation of light-mitigating technology systems on certain wind turbines as prescribed.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 957.** Introduced by Dungan, 26; Blood, 3; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10; Hunt, 8; Vargas, 7; Walz, 15; Wishart, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act; to amend sections 79-1001, 79-1009, 79-1017.01, 79-1021, 79-1022, 79-1022.02, 79-1023, 79-1027, and 79-1031.01, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to provide for early childhood aid; to change provisions relating to net option funding, local system formula resources, the Education Future Fund, and certain certification dates; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 958.** Introduced by Wishart, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-901, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to provide for annual adjustment of certain reimbursement rates; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 959.** Introduced by Dungan, 26; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to amend section 29-1816, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to require transfer of cases to juvenile court if a county or district court fails to rule on a motion to transfer within thirty days after the hearing; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 960.** Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Athletic Commissioner; to amend sections 81-8,129, 81-8,130.01, 81-8,132, 81-8,133, 81-8,133.01, 81-8,134, 81-8,135, 81-8,138, and 81-8,139, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to provide powers and duties to the State Athletic Commissioner relating to the regulation of professional bare-knuckle mixed martial arts, amateur kickboxing, amateur bare-knuckle boxing, amateur bare-knuckle mixed martial arts, and amateur sparring matches and exhibitions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 961.** Introduced by Dungan, 26; Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to prohibit noncompete agreements for lower-wage employees as prescribed; to define terms; and to provide for applicability.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 962.** Introduced by Wayne, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to prohibit the use of certain projection maps in public schools as prescribed; and to require each school board to adopt a policy relating to projection maps.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 963.** Introduced by Wayne, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county attorneys; to amend sections 23-1201, 23-1205, 23-1212, 23-1218, 23-1220, and 77-5007.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 32-567 and 32-604, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to provide for the powers and duties of county attorneys and deputy county attorneys to be performed by district attorneys and deputy district attorneys appointed by the Attorney General; to eliminate provisions relating to powers and duties and elections of county attorneys; to provide powers and duties for the Attorney General; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 23-1201.01, 23-1201.02, 23-1204, 23-1204.01, 23-1204.03, 23-1204.04, 23-1204.05, 23-1204.06, 23-1206.01, 23-1206.02, 23-1209, 23-1221, 23-1222, 23-1223, and 32-522, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 964.** Introduced by Dungan, 26; Blood, 3; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10; Fredrickson, 20; Hughes, 24; Hunt, 8; Walz, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to teachers; to amend section 85-3004, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to adopt the Special Education Teacher Forgivable Loan Program Act; to provide for scholarships under the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 965.** Introduced by Holdcroft, 36; Erdman, 47; Halloran, 33; Lowe, 37; Murman, 38; Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to license plates; to amend sections 60-3,113 and 60-3,122.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-3,122.03, 60-3,123, 60-3,124, and 60-3,125, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to change and provide provisions relating to Military Honor Plates, prisoner-of-war license plates, disabled veteran license plates, and Purple Heart license plates; to provide duties to the Department of Motor Vehicles; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 966.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 60-6,123 and 66-4,144, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to traffic control signals and excise tax rates; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 967.** Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 28-830 and 81-1429.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to define and redefine terms relating to trafficking; to change provisions relating to the Human Trafficking Victim Assistance Fund; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 968.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Conrad, 46; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Hughes, 24; Kauth, 31; Linehan, 39; Lippincott, 34; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 81-1429.02 and 81-1429.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to adopt the Live Adult Entertainment Establishment Fee Act; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 969.** Introduced by DeKay, 40; Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public power and irrigation districts; to amend section 70-637, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to contracts and sealed bids; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 970.** Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Aguilar, 35; Albrecht, 17; Ballard, 21; Brewer, 43; Clements, 2; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Erdman, 47; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Lowe, 37; Meyer, 41; Murman, 38; Sanders, 45; Slama, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the death penalty; to amend sections 83-964, 83-965, 83-966, 83-967, 83-968, 83-969, 83-970, 83-971, and 83-972, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022; to provide for execution by nitrogen hypoxia; to define terms; to transfer provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 971.** Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Aguilar, 35; Albrecht, 17; Ballard, 21; Blood, 3; Brewer, 43; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Halloran, 33; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Hughes, 24; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Lowe, 37; McDonnell, 5; Meyer, 41; Murman, 38; Slama, 1; Wayne, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Game Law; to amend sections 37-420 and 37-421, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for a free hunting permit for veterans on Veterans Day; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 972.** Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Aguilar, 35; Albrecht, 17; Blood, 3; Brewer, 43; Clements, 2; Dorn, 30; Erdman, 47; Halloran, 33; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Lowe, 37; McDonnell, 5; Meyer, 41; Sanders, 45; Slama, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to amend section 28-401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2022, and section 28-405, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023; to prohibit kratom as a controlled substance; to define a term; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 973.** Introduced by Brewer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Game Law; to amend section 37-421, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the issuance of annual combination fishing, fur-harvesting, and hunting permits, habitat stamps, aquatic habitat stamps, and Nebraska migratory waterfowl stamps; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 974.** Introduced by Holdcroft, 36; Albrecht, 17; DeKay, 40; Halloran, 33; Ibach, 44; Lowe, 37; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Homicide of the Unborn Child Act; to amend section 28-394, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change penalties for motor vehicle homicide of an unborn child as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

**SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENT**

Pursuant to Rule 4, Section 8, LR276 was referred to the Reference Committee.

**PROPOSED RULES CHANGE(S)**

Senator Wayne filed the following proposed rule changes:

**Proposed Rule Change 30**

**Rule 2 Sec. 2. Rules, Suspension, Amendment.** The rules may only be suspended by a three-fifths majority of the elected members by a machine vote, and such a motion shall not be amendable or divisible. A vote to suspend the rules shall always be recognized as a separate vote from any subsequent motion for which the rules are suspended. The permanent rules may be amended by a three-fifths majority vote of the members elected; provided, any proposed amendment must first be referred to the Committee on Rules for consideration and report.

**Proposed Rule Change 31****Rule 7, Sec. 2. Voting, Electric Roll Call. ...**

(c) Upon the final passage of a bill, or of a resolution if the same required the same consideration as a bill, the vote shall only be by yeas and nays with all members present required to vote, unless excused by the Legislature, and the electric roll call system shall be used. Voice votes shall be accepted on Final Reading.

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**Proposed Rule Change 32****Rule 2, Sec. 3. Chamber, Guests, Distribution of Material. ...**

(b) No person shall be admitted to the floor of the Legislature, as described in this rule, except the following:

- (i) Members of the Legislature and their immediate families.
- (ii) Officers and employees of the Legislature.
- (iii) Reporters of regularly accredited newspapers and broadcasting stations. Any photos or recordings produced by media on the legislature floor are a public record and cannot be copyrighted.

Senator J. Cavanaugh filed the following proposed rule changes:

**Proposed Rule Change 33**

**Rule 6, Sec. 5. Select File.** When the Legislature considers bills on Select File, any of the following motions shall be in order.

(a) A motion to approve or reject any or all of the changes recommended by the Chairperson of Enrollment and Review. The Enrollment and Review amendments shall be allotted fifteen minutes for introduction and debate. Upon either the completion of debate on the Enrollment and Review amendments or the expiration of fifteen minutes, whichever comes first, a vote shall be taken to adopt the amendments. No amendment which adds new material shall be in order until after the Enrollment and Review amendments are considered.

(b) A motion to adopt an amendment to a bill or an amendment to an amendment which shall require a majority vote of the elected members, except amendments which are substantially the same as any bill indefinitely postponed shall require a three-fifths vote of the elected members.

(c) A motion to recommit to the proper standing committee.

(d) A motion to postpone indefinitely. After a motion to indefinitely postpone a bill has been offered, and the introducer of the motion has made his or her opening remarks on the motion, the principal introducer of the bill shall immediately be permitted to speak for five minutes on such motion.

(e) Motions made pursuant to subsections b, c, and d hereof may be adopted only upon the affirmative vote of a majority of the elected members.

(f) Amendments recommended by Enrollment and Review shall not be read by the Clerk except upon the request of a member of the Legislature.

(g) Notwithstanding any other provision contained in this section, if the Enrollment and Review Committee returns a bill to Select File from engrossment, then only the specific Enrollment and Review Committee amendments may be considered.

(h) Any bill failing to receive 25 votes to be advanced to Enrollment and Review Final after two attempts shall be indefinitely postponed.

**Proposed Rule Change 34**

**Rule 7, Sec. 6. Postpone to Time Certain.** No motion to postpone to a time certain, to commit, or to postpone indefinitely being decided, shall again be

allowed on the same day at the same stage of the bill or proposition. Such motion may be withdrawn only with unanimous consent or a majority vote of the elected members.

#### AMENDMENT(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Halloran filed the following amendment to LB262:  
AM2020

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM719)

- 1 1. Strike sections 17, 18, 22, 30, 31, and 32 and insert the
- 2 following new sections:
- 3 Sec. 17. Section 81-2,239, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
- 4 amended to read:
- 5 81-2,239 Sections 81-2,239 to 81-2,292 and sections 21, 24, and 25
- 6 of this act and the provisions of the Food Code and the Current Good
- 7 Manufacturing Practice In Manufacturing, Packing, or Holding Human Food
- 8 adopted by reference in sections 81-2,257.01 and 81-2,259, shall be known
- 9 and may be cited as the Nebraska Pure Food Act.
- 10 Sec. 18. Section 81-2,240, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2023, is
- 11 amended to read:
- 12 81-2,240 For purposes of the Nebraska Pure Food Act, unless the
- 13 context otherwise requires, the definitions found in sections 81-2,241 to
- 14 81-2,254 and sections 21, 24, and 25 of this act shall be used. In
- 15 addition, the definitions found in the code and practice adopted by
- 16 reference in sections 81-2,257.01 and 81-2,259 shall be used.
- 17 2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct the repealer and
- 18 internal references accordingly.

Senator Linehan filed the following amendment to LB299:  
AM2031

- 1 1. Strike section 1.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

Priority designation(s) received:

J. Cavanaugh - LB184  
Halloran - LR31  
Slama - LB912

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

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

Senator Bostar name added to LB137.  
Senator Ballard name added to LB137.  
Senator Fredrickson name added to LB822.  
Senator Holdcroft name added to LB844.  
Senator Halloran name added to LB876.  
Senator Murman name added to LB876.  
Senator Lowe name added to LB876.



Senator Walz name added to LB876.  
Senator Jacobson name added to LB876.  
Senator Slama name added to LB910.  
Senator Day name added to LB933.  
Senator McDonnell name added to LR275CA.

**VISITOR(S)**

Visitors to the Chamber were Travis Beck and Suzanne LaChasse, Los Angeles, CA.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Daniel Rosenquist of Columbus.

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 12:02 p.m., on a motion by Senator McKinney, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 5, 2024.

Brandon Metzler  
Clerk of the Legislature

