

FIRST DAY - JANUARY 8, 2025**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION****FIRST DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Wednesday, January 8, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Arch.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska State Patrol - Headquarters Troop Honor Guard.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Andersen.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to the provisions of Article III, Section 10 of the Constitution of Nebraska, the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, First Session of the Legislature of Nebraska assembled in the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber of the State Capitol at the hour of 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, January 8, 2025, and was called to order by President Kelly.

The roll was called and the following members were present:

Andersen, Bob	Fredrickson, John	Moser, Mike
Arch, John	Guereca, Dunixi	Murman, Dave
Armendariz, Christy	Hallstrom, Bob	Prokop, Jason
Ballard, Beau	Hansen, Ben	Quick, Dan
Bosn, Carolyn	Hardin, Brian	Raybould, Jane
Bostar, Eliot	Holdcroft, Rick	Riepe, Merv
Brandt, Tom	Hughes, Jana	Rountree, Victor
Cavanaugh, John	Hunt, Megan	Sanders, Rita
Cavanaugh, Machaela	Ibach, Teresa	Sorrentino, Tony
Clements, Robert	Jacobson, Mike	Spivey, Ashlei
Clouse, Stan	Juarez, Margo	Storer, Tanya
Conrad, Danielle	Kauth, Kathleen	Storm, Jared

DeBoer, Wendy	Lippincott, Loren	Strommen, Paul
DeKay, Barry	Lonowski, Dan	von Gillern, R. Brad
Dorn, Myron	McKeon, Dan	Wordekemper, Dave
Dover, Robert	McKinney, Terrell	
Dungan, George	Meyer, Glen	

MOTION - Temporary Clerk and Sergeant at Arms

Senator Arch moved to appoint Mr. Brandon Metzler as temporary Clerk of the Legislature and Mr. Scott Black as temporary Sergeant at Arms.

The motion prevailed.

MOTION - Escort Chief Justice

Senator Quick moved that a committee of five be appointed to escort the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to the Legislative Chamber for the purpose of administering the oath of office to the members of the Legislature.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Senators Conrad, M. Cavanaugh, Clements, Moser, and Riepe to serve on said committee.

MOTION - Committee on Credentials

Senator Sanders moved that we proceed to the election of five persons to serve as the Committee on Credentials, who will forthwith report to the Legislature on the credentials of those claiming to be elected to the Legislature in the General Election in November 2024.

The motion prevailed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

State of Nebraska

United States of America,)	
) ss.	Secretary of State
State of Nebraska)	

I, Robert B. Evnen, Secretary of State of the State of Nebraska do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct copy of the Official Roster of members of the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature elected to serve in the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, First Session, 2025.

Further, I hereby certify that the members so listed on the Official Roster attached hereto are the duly elected or appointed members of the

Unicameral Legislature in the State of Nebraska for the One Hundred Ninth Legislature, First Session, 2025.

Finally, I hereby certify that all election returns, abstracts, and canvasses with reference to said members are on file in the office of the Secretary of State and are a matter of public record.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska on this date of January 8, 2025.

(SEAL)

(Signed) Robert B. Evnen
Secretary of State

DISTRICT/NAME	ELECTED
1 Robert Hallstrom	November 5, 2024
2 Robert Clements	November 8, 2022
3 Victor Rountree	November 5, 2024
4 R. Brad von Gillern	November 8, 2022
5 Margo R. Juarez	November 5, 2024
6 Machaela Cavanaugh	November 8, 2022
7 Dunixi Guereca	November 5, 2024
8 Megan Hunt	November 8, 2022
9 John Cavanaugh, Jr.	November 5, 2024
10 Wendy DeBoer	November 8, 2022
11 Terrell McKinney	November 5, 2024
12 Merv Riepe	November 8, 2022
13 Ashlei Spivey	November 5, 2024
14 John Arch	November 8, 2022
15 Dave Wordekemper	November 5, 2024
16 Ben Hansen	November 8, 2022
17 Glen Meyer	November 5, 2024
18 Christy Armendariz	November 8, 2022
19 Rob Dover	November 5, 2024
20 John A. Fredrickson	November 8, 2022
21 Beau Ballard	November 5, 2024
22 Mike Moser	November 8, 2022
23 Jared Storm	November 5, 2024
24 Jana Hughes	November 8, 2022
25 Carolyn Bosn	November 5, 2024
26 George C. Dungan III	November 8, 2022
27 Jason Prokop	November 5, 2024
28 Jane Raybould	November 8, 2022
29 Eliot Bostar	November 5, 2024
30 Myron Dorn	November 8, 2022
31 Kathleen Kauth	November 5, 2024
32 Tom Brandt	November 8, 2022
33 Dan Lonowski	November 5, 2024
34 Loren Lippincott	November 8, 2022
35 Dan Quick	November 5, 2024
36 Rick Holdcroft	November 8, 2022
37 Stanley Clouse	November 5, 2024

38 Dave Murman	November 8, 2022
39 Tony Sorrentino	November 5, 2024
40 Barry DeKay	November 8, 2022
41 Daniel D. McKeon	November 5, 2024
42 Mike Jacobson	November 8, 2022
43 Tanya Storer	November 5, 2024
44 Teresa J. Ibach	November 8, 2022
45 Rita Sanders	November 5, 2024
46 Danielle Conrad	November 8, 2022
47 Paul E. Strommen	November 5, 2024
48 Brian Hardin	November 8, 2022
49 Bob Andersen	November 5, 2024

MOTION - Credentials Committee Report

Senator DeKay moved to approve the Committee on Credentials Report as certified and presented by the Secretary of State.

The motion prevailed.

MEMBERS' OATH OF OFFICE

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
) ss.
LANCASTER COUNTY)

Do you and each of you solemnly swear (or affirm) that you will support the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the State of Nebraska, and will faithfully discharge the duties of members of the Legislature according to the best of your ability, and that at the election at which you were chosen to fill said office, you have not improperly influenced in any way the vote of any elector, and have not accepted, nor will you accept or receive, directly or indirectly, any money or other valuable thing from any corporation, company or person, or any promise of office, for any official act or influence (for any vote you may give or withhold on any bill, resolution, or appropriation).

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| Andersen, Bob | Meyer, Glen |
| Ballard, Beau | Prokop, Jason |
| Bosn, Carolyn | Quick, Dan |
| Clouse, Stan | Rountree, Victor |
| Guereca, Dunixi | Sorrentino, Tony |
| Hallstrom, Robert | Spivey, Ashlei |
| Holdcroft, Rick | Storer, Tanya |
| Kauth, Kathleen | Storm, Jared |
| Lonowski, Dan | Strommen, Paul |
| McKeon, Dan | Wordekemper, Dave |
| McKinney, Terrell | |

The committee escorted the Chief Justice from the Chamber.

MOTION - Adopt Temporary Rules

Senator Hallstrom moved that the rules, as now in our possession, be adopted until such time as the permanent rules are adopted pursuant to Rule 2, Section 1; provided that the temporary rules shall not continue after the twelfth legislative day.

The motion prevailed.

MOTION - Election of Officers

Senator Hansen moved that the following officers, recommended by the Executive Board, be elected to serve for the One Hundred Ninth Legislature:

Clerk of the Legislature	Brandon Metzler
Assistant Clerk of the Legislature	Mike Hybl
Sergeant at Arms	Scott Black

The motion prevailed.

MOTION - Election of Speaker

Senator Ibach moved to proceed to the election of the Speaker of the Legislature.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Arch placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Arch.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Arch was duly elected Speaker of the Legislature.

MOTION - Escort Chief Justice

Senator Dover moved that a committee of five be appointed to escort the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to the Legislative Chamber for the purpose of administering the oath of office to the officers of the Legislature.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Senators DeBoer, Dungan, Hansen, Holdcroft, and Hunt to serve on said committee.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes, honors, and thanks Former President Carter for his service to the United States of America and to the people of the world.
2. That the Legislature offers its condolences to the family and friends of Former President Carter.
3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Former President Carter.

Laid over.

MOTION - Chairperson of Committee on Committees

Senator Jacobson moved to proceed to the election of the Chairperson of the Committee on Committees.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Armendariz placed her name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Armendariz.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Armendariz was duly elected Chairperson of the Committee on Committees.

MOTION - Committee on Committees Members

Senator Wordekemper moved to proceed to the election of the remaining twelve members of the Committee on Committees, and that we authorize the members residing within each of the three districts, as enumerated in Rule 3, Sec. 2, to nominate four members to be elected by the legislative body to serve on the Committee on Committees.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Bosn, Bostar, Moser, and Sanders were nominated from District 1.

Senators J. Cavanaugh, Fredrickson, Hunt, and Spivey were nominated from District 2.

Senators Brandt, Ibach, Jacobson, and Murman were nominated from District 3.

Senator Rountree moved the approval of the nominees to the Committee on Committees.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair declared the nominees duly elected.

MOTION - Chairperson of Executive Board

Senator Fredrickson moved to proceed to the election of the Chairperson of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hansen placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Hansen.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Hansen was duly elected Chairperson of the Executive Board.

MOTION - Vice Chairperson of Executive Board

Senator Clouse moved to proceed to the election of the Vice Chairperson of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Ibach placed her name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Ibach.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Ibach was duly elected Vice Chairperson of the Executive Board.

MOTION - Executive Board Members

Senator Kauth moved to proceed to the election of the other six members of the Executive Board of the Legislative Council as outlined in 50-401.01.

The motion prevailed.

Senators Ballard and Bostar were nominated from District 1.

Senators Fredrickson and McKinney were nominated from District 2.

Senators Dorn and Jacobson were nominated from District 3.

Senator Spivey moved the approval of the nominees to the Executive Board of the Legislative Council.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair declared the nominees duly elected.

MOTION - Standing and Select Committee Chairpersons

Senator Strommen moved to proceed to the election of the standing and select committee chairpersons, in accordance with Rule 3, Sec. 8(a).

The motion prevailed.

STANDING COMMITTEES

CHAIRPERSON - Agriculture

Senator DeKay placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator DeKay.

The motion prevailed.

Senator DeKay was duly elected Chairperson of the Agriculture Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Appropriations

Senator Clements placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Clements.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Clements was duly elected Chairperson of the Appropriations Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Banking, Commerce and Insurance

Senator Jacobson placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Jacobson.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Jacobson was duly elected Chairperson of the Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Business and Labor

Senator Kauth placed her name in nomination.

Senator J. Cavanaugh placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators DeBoer, Holdcroft, and Lippincott as tellers.

Senator Kauth	31
Senator J. Cavanaugh	<u>18</u>
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Senator Kauth was duly elected Chairperson of the Business and Labor Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Education

Senator Murman placed his name in nomination.

Senator Hughes placed her name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Dorn, Hallstrom, and McKinney as tellers.

Senator Murman	29
Senator Hughes	<u>20</u>
	49

Senator Murman was duly elected Chairperson of the Education Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - General Affairs

Senator Holdcroft placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Holdcroft.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Holdcroft was duly elected Chairperson of the General Affairs Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

Senator Sanders placed her name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Sanders.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Sanders was duly elected Chairperson of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Health and Human Services

Senator M. Cavanaugh placed her name in nomination.

Senator M. Cavanaugh withdrew her nomination.

Senator Lippincott nominated Senator Hardin.

Senator Hardin accepted the nomination.

Senator Riepe placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Dover, Fredrickson, and Storer as tellers.

Senator Hardin	28
Senator Riepe	<u>21</u>
	49

Senator Hardin was duly elected Chairperson of the Health and Human Services Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Judiciary

Senator Bosn placed her name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Bosn.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Bosn was duly elected Chairperson of the Judiciary Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Natural Resources

Senator Brandt placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Brandt.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Brandt was duly elected Chairperson of the Natural Resources Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Nebraska Retirement Systems

Senator Conrad placed her name in nomination.

Senator Ballard placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Raybould, Rountree, and Strommen as tellers.

Senator Conrad	24
Senator Ballard	<u>24</u>
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The Chair announced that a second ballot would be cast between Senator Conrad and Senator Ballard.

The Chair appointed Senators Raybould, Rountree, and Strommen as tellers.

Senator Conrad	24
Senator Ballard	<u>25</u>
	49

Senator Ballard was duly elected Chairperson of the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Revenue

Senator Dungan placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators McKeon, Spivey, and Quick as tellers.

Senator Dungan	15
Senator von Gillern	<u>29</u>
	44

Senator von Gillern was duly elected Chairperson of the Revenue Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Transportation and Telecommunications

Senator Moser placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Moser.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Moser was duly elected Chairperson of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Urban Affairs

Senator McKinney placed his name in nomination.

Senator von Gillern moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator McKinney.

The motion prevailed.

Senator McKinney was duly elected Chairperson of the Urban Affairs Committee.

SELECT COMMITTEES

CHAIRPERSON - Rules

Senator DeBoer placed her name in nomination.

Senator Lippincott placed his name in nomination.

The Chair declared the nominations closed.

The Chair appointed Senators Clouse, Hunt, and Lonowski as tellers.

Senator DeBoer	22
Senator Lippincott	<u>27</u>
	49

Senator Lippincott was duly elected Chairperson of the Rules Committee.

CHAIRPERSON - Enrollment and Review

Senator Ballard nominated Senator Guereca.

Senator Ballard moved the nominations be closed and a unanimous vote by acclamation be cast for Senator Guereca.

The motion prevailed.

Senator Guereca was duly elected Chairperson of the Enrollment and Review Committee.

MOTION - Election Returns

Senator Storer moved that a committee of three be appointed to escort the Secretary of State to the Chamber to deliver the election returns of the General Election of November 2024.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Senators Brandt, Dorn, and Raybould to serve on said committee.

The committee escorted Secretary of State, Robert B. Evnen, to the rostrum where he delivered the following report:

REPORT FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

January 8, 2025

Speaker of the Legislature
One Hundred Ninth Legislature, First Session 2025
State Capitol
Lincoln, Nebraska

Honorable Speaker:

In accordance with Article IV, Section 4 of the Constitution of the State of Nebraska, I have the honor of herewith delivering to you, under Seal, the abstract of votes cast in the ninety-three counties of the State of Nebraska at the General Election held on November 5, 2024 for the offices of Public Service Commissioner, State Board of Education, and Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska. These votes are required by law to be canvassed by the Nebraska State Legislature pursuant to Section 32-1039 as submitted to me for delivery to the Honorable Speaker of the Legislature.

I also deliver to you, under Seal, the list of candidates receiving the highest vote for each particular office enumerated. The certificate of the Secretary of State accompanies this list.

The original abstracts containing the tabulation of votes from the ninety-three counties with reference to one Referendum and four Initiative Measures is on file in this office. A certification of these returns is also attached.

CERTIFICATE

State of Nebraska

United States of America,)) ss.	Secretary of State
State of Nebraska)		
State of Nebraska)		

I, Robert B. Evnen, Secretary of State of the State of Nebraska do hereby certify that the attached is a true and correct listing of Referendum and Initiatives Ordered by Petition of the People showing the number of votes cast for and against at the General Election in the State of Nebraska held on November 5, 2024.

Nothing further is certified.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of Nebraska on this date of January 8, 2025.

(SEAL)	(Signed) Robert B. Evnen
	Secretary of State

2024 General Election

Initiative Measure 434

A constitutional amendment to provide that, except when a woman seeks an abortion necessitated by a medical emergency or when the pregnancy results from sexual assault or incest, unborn children shall be protected from abortion in the second and third trimesters.

For	509,288
Against	417,624

Referendum Measure 435

A referendum measure on Section 1 of Legislative Bill 1402, enacted by the Nebraska Legislature in 2024, which provides for \$10 million annually to fund education scholarships to pay all or part of the cost to educate eligible students attending nongovernmental, privately operated elementary and secondary schools in Nebraska.

For	382,921
Against	508,140

Initiative Measure 436

A statutory initiative which: (1) provides eligible employees the right to earn paid sick time for personal or family health needs; (2) entitles

employees of employers with fewer than 20 employees to accrue and use up to 40 hours of such time annually and those employed by employers with 20 or more employees to accrue and use up to 56 hours of such time annually; (3) specifies conditions regarding paid sick time; (4) prohibits retaliation against employees for exercising such rights; (5) adopts documentation requirements; and (6) establishes enforcement powers and a civil cause of action for violations.

For 662,348
Against 225,974

Initiative Measure 437

A statutory initiative that makes penalties inapplicable under state and local law for the use, possession, and acquisition of an allowable amount (up to five ounces) of cannabis for medical purposes by a qualified patient with a written recommendation from a health care practitioner, and for a caregiver to assist a qualified patient with these activities.

For 637,126
Against 259,643

Initiative Measure 438

A statutory initiative that makes penalties inapplicable under state law for the possession, manufacture, distribution, delivery, and dispensing of cannabis for medical purposes by registered private entities, and that establishes a Nebraska Medical Cannabis Commission to regulate such activities.

For 600,481
Against 291,867

Senator Murman moved to approve the report of the Secretary of State and the candidates stated therein be declared duly elected.

The motion prevailed.

The Secretary of State was escorted from the Chamber.

MOTION - Inaugural Ceremonies

Senator Sorrentino moved to arrange to hold the inaugural ceremonies for the newly elected state officials on Thursday, January 9, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.

The motion prevailed.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Pat Hotovy of York.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:24 p.m., on a motion by Senator Bostar, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 9, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

SECOND DAY - JANUARY 9, 2025**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION****SECOND DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Thursday, January 9, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Father Augustine Reimers, Blessed Sacrament, Lincoln.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Speaker Arch.

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 Senator Bostar who was excused until he arrives.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the first day was approved.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE(S)

Senator McKinney filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 1**Rule 5. Sec. 4. Introducers Signing Bills.**

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(d) Individual Starting with the 2025 legislative session, individual members shall not be limited to the number of bills ~~no more than 20 bills~~ introduced each ~~at any one~~ session. Each committee shall be limited to 10 bills introduced each session. Bills introduced as a result of an interim study of

the Legislative Council shall be included within the limitations prescribed by this section. Special committees created as a result of an interim study resolution and as authorized by the Executive Board shall be considered as separate committees for purposes of the limitations prescribed by this section. Bills introduced under Rule 5, Section 3(a), Rule 5, Section 4(c)(3), and bills introduced at the request of the Governor shall ~~governor will~~ not be included in the limitation.

MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

May 22, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission:

Bradley Dunbar, 16131 Bedford Avenue, Omaha, NE 68116, Manufacturing

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

August 22, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Public Employees Retirement Board:

Patrick Bourne, 13020 Binney Street, Omaha, NE 68164, Public Member

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

August 22, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission:

Michael R Gloor, 2120 Barbara Avenue, Grand Island, NE 68803, 3rd
District-Republican

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

August 26, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the State Personnel Board:

Kevin Workman, 2331 Sheffield Place, Lincoln, NE 68512, Personnel
Administration-Republican

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

August 28, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being reappointed as a member of the Nebraska Ethanol Board:

Randy L Gard, 3402 S Blaine Street, Grand Island, NE 68801, Petroleum
Member - Republican

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

August 28, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being reappointed as a member of the Nebraska Brand Committee:

Duane Gangwish, 43314 Road 757, Lexington, NE 68850-3702, Feeder

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

August 28, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the State Board of Health:

Kimberly Stuhmer, 23037 N Z Road, Polk, NE 68654, Registered Nurse

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

August 28, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being reappointed as members of the State Board of Health:

Dr Brett Lindau, 941 S 1st Avenue, Broken Bow, NE 68822, Osteopathic
Physician
J Paul, Cook, MD, 17241 Oak Drive, Omaha, NE 68130, Physician

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your
consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are
included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

September 9, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being
appointed as members of the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing:

Mark Andersen, 336 S 112th St, Omaha, NE 68144, Deaf/Sign Language
Kay Crabtree, 1627 Euclid Avenue, Lincoln, NE 68502-2616, Hard of
Hearing
Richard McCowin, 7427 Wyoming St, Omaha, NE 68122, Deaf/Sign
Language
Julie Ann Mruz, 5800 S 50th Street, Lincoln, NE 68516, Professional
John Culver, 572 224th, Mildord, NE 68405, Hard of Hearing/Sign
Language

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your
consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are
included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

September 9, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being reappointed as a member of the Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing:

Valerie Hitz, 3550 W Mill Road, Raymond, NE 68428, Deaf/Sign Language

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

September 16, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being appointed as members of the State Board of Health:

Staci Hubert, 23561 Prairie Ridge Rd, Gretna, NE 68028, Pharmacist
Mark Bertch, 3535 N 152 Circle, Omaha, NE 68116, Physical Therapist
Patricia Kucera, 6222 Ponderosa Dr, Omaha, NE 68137, Registered
Nurse/Nurse Practitioner

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

September 18, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being appointed as members of the Nebraska Arts Council:

Julie J Jacobson, 3020 West Leota Street, North Platte, NE 69101, District 3
Clark Kolterman, 660 East Pinewood Avenue, Seward, NE 68434, District 1

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

September 25, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being reappointed as members of the Nebraska Arts Council:

Karen Harris, 913 W 4th, York, NE 68467, District 3
Jeanne Salerno, 909 Capitol Avenue #508, Omaha, NE 68102, District 2

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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September 28, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as Director of the Nebraska Department of Administrative Services:

Lee Will, 14051 Woolworth Circle, Omaha, NE 68144

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

October 7, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the State Electrical Board:

Nathan Michael Lon Francis, 2505 H Street, Fairbury, NE 68352, Municipal Systems Representative

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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October 9, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as Director of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services – Division of Behavioral Health:

Thomas Janousek, PsyD, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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October 15, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being appointed as members of the Underground Excavation Safety Committee:

Brandon Jones, 2115 Birchwood Road, North Platte, NE 69101, Excavator
Robert Knapp, 1505 N 196th Street, Elkhorn, NE 68022, Excavator
Aaron Krebs, 3701 Rainey Circle, Plattsmouth, NE 68048, Excavator
Trevor Roth, 907 West 25th Street, York, NE 68467, Operator
Josh Hohensee, 2801 MelRae Road, Ashland, NE 68003, Operator
Edward Jarrett, 5733 Chatsworth Ln, Lincoln, NE 68516, Operator
Jeffrey D Grady, 18411 Summit Drive, Omaha, NE 68136, Alternate Excavator
James Saville, 7802 S 184th Ter, Omaha, NE 68136, Alternate Operator

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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October 23, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being reappointed as members of the Crime Victim's Reparation Committee:

David Nelson, 19002 S 204th Street, Gretna, NE 68028, Crime Commission representative
Shawn Eatherton, 5515 Summit Road, Kearney, NE 68845, Crime Commission representative

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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October 23, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the State Board of Health:

Dr Kenneth Tusha, 908 Clark Avenue, Creighton, NE 68729, Dentist

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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October 29, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Crime Victim's Reparation Commission:

Candice Batton, 10450 N 151 Street, Waverly, NE 68462, Crime
Commission Member

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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November 18, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission:

Diva Wilson, MD, 12809 Cooper Street, Papillion, NE 68138, Creighton
University Medical School representative

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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November 18, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individuals are being reappointed as members of the Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission:

Roger Wells, PA-C, 2405 Patriot Drive, Lexington, NE 68850, Physician Assistant
Rebecca Schroeder, PhD, PO Box 4, Curtis, NE 69025, Mental Health
Cherlyn Hunt, LNHA, MHA, QCP, CNA, 431 East Calkins Avenue, Elm Creek, NE 68836, Rural Nursing Home Administration
Jeffrey D Harrison, MD, 3200 Farnam Ct – Apt 3206, Omaha, NE 68131, UNMC Representative

The aforementioned appointees are respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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November 21, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as Director of the Nebraska State Historical Society:

Daryl Bohac, 10011 N 152nd Street, Waverly, NE 68462

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

November 21, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as Director of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services – Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care:

Drew Gonshorowski, 7708 Rockton Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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November 21, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Public Employees Retirement Board:

Jacob Curtiss, 11945 N 142nd Street, Waverly, NE 68462, School Administrator

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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November 21, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being reappointed as a member of the State Electrical Board:

James S Brummer, 3104 Dover Dr, Norfolk, NE 68701, Public Power District

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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December 4, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission:

Stephen D Mossman, 3128 Alden, Lincoln, NE 68502, District 8-Independent

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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December 6, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges:

Connie Edmond, 7417 S 48th Street, Lincoln, NE 68516, Member

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

December 9, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Board of Parole, effective December 9, 2024:

Jeff Bucher, 17000 S 72nd, Hickman, NE 68372, Member

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

Enclosures

December 11, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Natural Resources Commission:

Matt Smallcomb, 41747 Coal Chute Road, Gibbon, NE 68840, Municipal Representative

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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December 12, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Nebraska Investment Council:

Brian Christensen, 2309 Mahood Drive, Columbus, NE 68601, Member

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

(Signed) Sincerely,
Jim Pillen
Governor

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December 16, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being appointed as a member of the Health Information Technology Board:

Drew D Gonshorowski, 7708 Rockton Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815,
Member

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

(Signed) Sincerely,
Jim Pillen
Governor

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December 16, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being reappointed as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges:

Robert Engles, 2308 McConnell Avenue, Auburn, NE 68305, Member

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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December 19, 2024

Mr. President, Speaker Arch
and Members of the Legislature
State Capitol
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Mr. President, Speaker Arch, and Members of the Legislature:

Contingent upon your approval, the following individual is being reappointed as a member of the Nebraska State Fair Board:

Dawn Caldwell, 30660 Rd T, Edgar, NE 68935, Business Community-3rd District

The aforementioned appointee is respectfully submitted for your consideration. Copies of the certificate and background information are included for your review.

Sincerely,
(Signed) Jim Pillen
Governor

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**2024 INTERIM REPORT
ON THE DISPOSITION OF
INTERIM STUDY RESOLUTIONS**

Agriculture

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
374	Examine the availability of healthy and affordable food		X		

	choices in Nebraska communities				
375	Examine methods to address production animal veterinary shortages in Nebraska		X		
398	Examine the development and use of messenger RNA vaccines in livestock			X	
399	Review occupational regulations under the Nebraska Potato Development Act and the Plant Protection and Plant Pest Act for purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	X			
400	Examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Agriculture Committee		X		

Appropriations

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
361	Interim study to conduct a review of the fees that fund Nebraska's cash funds		X		Aug. 30, 2024
416	Interim study to examine what funding options and appropriations may be necessary to improve the return on investment of housing incentives offered by the State of Nebraska		X		Dec. 18, 2024
420	Interim study to examine the budget needs of and funding sources for regional behavioral health authorities			X	
410	Interim study to examine the long-term fiscal sustainability of and how to best direct funding and appropriations towards sustaining a strong health care workforce			X	
388	Interim study to examine what funding and appropriations are necessary			X	

	to address the parking shortage for state employees and members of the public in the State Capitol Environments				
389	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Appropriations Committee			X	
336	Interim study to examine the method of funding for court interpreters and determine a stable and permanent funding arrangement			X	

Banking, Commerce and Insurance

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
358	Interim study to examine the causes of increasing commercial insurance premiums and the impacts on Nebraska businesses		X		n/a
370	Interim study to examine the rise of retailers moving to digital-only transactions		X		n/a
379	Interim study to examine the role of health insurance for biomarker testing and the use of biomarker testing in public and private payor markets		X		n/a
430	Interim study to examine the impact of artificial intelligence on Nebraska's private and public sectors, including the technology and insurance sectors		X		n/a
431	Interim study to examine the roles of various entities in the pharmaceutical supply chain		X		n/a
432	Interim study to examine the impact of digital asset data mining on Nebraska public power districts, electric ratepayers, and communities		X		n/a

Business and Labor

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
354	Assessing state-led programs pertaining to the Nebraska workforce			x	NA
444	Examining the oversight of staffing agencies, including health care staffing agencies, in Nebraska			x	NA

Education

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
278 CA	Constitutional amendment to change the membership of the State Board of Education			YES	N/A
303	Interim study to examine the viability of adopting the Classical Learning Test as an option for meeting admissions requirements at the University of Nebraska and the Nebraska state colleges		YES		11/08/24
319	Interim study to determine whether student-to-teacher ratio requirements should be considered or implemented in Nebraska by statute or regulation			YES	N/A
320	Interim study to examine changes to the enrollment option program to ensure students with disabilities have an increased ability to access enrollment opportunities		YES		11/07/24
321	Interim study to determine the scope and use of student surveillance, monitoring, and tracking technology by school officials in Nebraska		YES		11/01/24
333	Interim study to determine whether legislation similar to the model Hunger-Free Campus Bill is needed to			YES	N/A

	address hunger and basic needs insecurity of Nebraska college students				
341	Interim study to determine the scope and use by school districts of a ban and bar action, banning and barring individuals from school property		YES		11/01/24
365	Interim study to examine school guidelines and policies relating to LGBTQ bullying prevention			YES	N/A
368	Interim study to examine the process for school districts to change the boundaries of individual schools within their districts			YES	N/A
378	Interim study to examine the viability of selling land managed by the Board of Educational Lands and Funds		YES		11/08/24
382	Interim study to examine the governance and representation of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska			YES	N/A
383	Interim study to examine improvements to the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act and potential alternative funding mechanisms for Nebraska public schools			YES	N/A
385	Interim study to examine state standardized testing required in elementary and secondary public schools and the (AQuESTT) system used to classify schools under the Quality Education Accountability Act		YES		11/08/24
419	Interim study to examine school meal programs in Nebraska		YES		11/08/24
425	Interim study to examine the challenges faced by families with special needs students in enrolling such students as option students in other		YES		11/07/24

	school districts under the enrollment option program				
439	Interim study to explore whether the size of school districts has contributed to historical student underachievement within the Class V school district		YES		11/01/24
440	Interim study to examine how to close the educational achievement gap in the Class V school district		YES		11/01/24
496	Interim study to examine issues relating to the State Department of Education		YES		11/08/24

Executive Board

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
334	Interim study to consider strategies to ensure public access to the Nebraska State Capitol and adequate offstreet parking for state employees working in the State Capitol and state buildings near the Capitol			X	
356	Interim study to examine changes to reimbursements for senators' expenditures, technology, and functional aspects of their positions			X	
391	Interim study to examine State Capitol building improvements including lighting, workstations, updated plumbing in restrooms, and improved safety of building exits			X	
393	Interim study to examine safety and accessibility issues for the State Capitol Building			X	

General Affairs

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
84	Interim study to examine different methods to address concerns raised by restaurant, bar, craft brewery, microdistillery, and farm winery owners relating to receiving shipments of alcoholic liquor			x	NA
98	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the General Affairs Committee			x	NA
103	Interim study to examine entertainment district licenses issued under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act			x	NA
104	Interim study to examine statutes relating to the State Racing and Gaming Commission and its members			x	NA
105	Interim study to examine and review occupational licenses and regulations under the State Electrical Act			x	NA
344	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the General Affairs Committee			x	NA
345	Interim study to examine all licenses issued by the State Racing and Gaming Commission			x	NA
353	Interim study to examine the pricing and taxation of alcohol in Nebraska			x	NA

Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
362	Interim study to examine the		X		9/19/24

	dangers posed by artificial intelligence for elections				
426	Interim study relating to public records requests to determine whether reports of the resistance of government entities to public record requests are representative or isolated		X		
364	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for private detectives, private detective agencies, and plain clothes investigators in furtherance of the purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	X			9/6/24
363	Interim study to review the credentialing requirements for water-based fire protection system contractors in furtherance of the purposes of the Occupational Board Reform Act	X			9/6/24
355	Interim study to examine and compare the process for adopting, promulgating, and eliminating rules and regulations in Nebraska and in other states, and updates to the Administrative Procedure Act		X		9/6/24
357	Interim study to determine to what extent, if any, there is a necessity to bolster election security in the State of Nebraska		X		9/19/24
394	Interim study to identify and review all programs and services enacted by the Legislature which may result in an increase in expenditures of funds by counties and county governments assigned to provide such programs and services		X		

369	Interim study to examine the barriers to voting and equal representation for Native Americans in Nebraska		X		
406	Interim study to explore the development of an institution dedicated to providing instruction, orientation, and professional development tailored for elected officials and office holders in Nebraska		X		
412	Interim study to examine changes to state law regarding the use of artificial intelligence in political campaigns		X		9/19/24
436	Interim study to examine the initiative and referendum petition processes in the twenty-six states in which such a process exists		X		
434	Interim study to examine tourism, including agritourism, in the State of Nebraska		X		

Health and Human Services

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
392	Interim Study to examine the costs and frequency of rebasing provider rates and to develop a methodology for rebasing such rates	Yes	No	No	10/23/24
397	Interim Study to examine the structure and processes of the credentialing review process known as the "407" process	No	Yes	No	9/25/24
338	Interim study to examine health delivery systems situated in rural areas, defined as all counties except Douglas, Lancaster, and Sarpy	No	Yes	No	12/11/24
377	Interim study to examine	No	Yes	No	10/30/24

	the components of the State of Nebraska's public health registry data collection and the release of that data to appropriate research entities				
433	Interim study to examine the availability and access to data regarding maternal and infant health care in Nebraska	No	Yes	No	9/25/24
428	Interim study to review how the State of Nebraska can ensure it has effective emergency medical services in rural communities	No	Yes	No	10/30/24
373	Interim study to examine different methods, including potential statutory changes, to address the need to recruit, train, and retain individuals to practice dentistry in Nebraska	No	Yes	No	10/30/24
337	Interim study to examine public assistance programs in Nebraska to determine whether program structures could be improved	No	Yes	Yes	No
442	Interim study to examine the scope and function of the Nebraska Health Information Initiative and its affiliates in Nebraska	No	Yes	Yes	No
429	Interim study to examine the Child Care Licensing Act and the availability and affordability of liability insurance for licensed child care providers in Nebraska	No	Yes	No	10/30/24
443	Interim study to examine assisted-living facility reimbursement rates at different facilities throughout Nebraska	No	Yes	No	10/30/24
423	Interim study to examine child care providers in Nebraska and the shortage of child care options in rural Nebraska	No	Yes	Yes	No

366	Interim study to examine opportunities under the medical assistance program to improve state beneficiaries' social determinants of health by allowing coverage of clinically appropriate interventions that address enrollees' health-related social needs	No	Yes	No	9/25/24
404	Interim study to examine the impact of the services provided to eligible recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program funds	No	Yes	Yes	No
421	Interim study to examine addiction with an emphasis on the examination of opioid addiction	No	Yes	Yes	No
372	Interim study to examine Nebraska's policies relating to the Board of Nursing and to evaluate the usefulness of the Board of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses	No	Yes	Yes	No
422	Interim study to examine the needs, successes, and challenges relating to behavioral health in Nebraska	No	Yes	Yes	No
405	Interim study to examine the process the Department of Health and Human Services uses in selecting a provider to service a foster home	No	Yes	Yes	No
386	Interim study to examine the scope of practice for behavior analysts in the State of Nebraska	No	Yes	Yes	No
427	Interim study to examine the use of the child care subsidy program in section 68-1206 as an incentive to recruit and retain employees in the child care industry	No	Yes	Yes	No
387	Interim study to examine	No	Yes	Yes	No

	payment rates and methodology used by the Department of Health and Human Services for child and adolescent behavioral health care, child welfare, and juvenile service providers				
415	Interim study to examine the historic unwind of the federal COVID-19 Medicaid continuous coverage requirements as implemented by the Department of Health and Human Services	No	Yes	No	11/13/24
396	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Health and Human Services Committee	No	Yes	Yes	No

Judiciary

No Report Filed

Natural Resources

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
469	Interim study to examine existing, new, and emerging technologies in the nuclear energy industry	12/17/24 To be issued			10/17/24
352	Interim study to assess identified improvement projects for clean water and drinking water systems in Nebraska			x	

Retirement

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
407	Interim study to examine the City of Omaha Employees' Retirement System for Omaha's civilian employees and the City of Omaha			X	

	Police and Fire Retirement System for Omaha's police and fire employees				
408	Interim study to examine the Nebraska Public Employees Retirement Systems administered by the Public Employees Retirement Board	X			
409	Interim study to carry out the provisions of section 13-2402, which requires the Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee to monitor underfunded defined benefit plans administered by political subdivisions	X			

Revenue

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
314	Interim study to examine adjustments to county revenue sources and elimination of unnecessary county expenses to compensate for a phaseout of the Nebraska inheritance tax by 2029		X		11/22/24
324	Interim study to determine whether Nebraska statutes should be modified to provide a tax credit or consideration towards the purchase of a new or replacement vehicle for a private seller who sells a vehicle			X	
349	Interim study to examine the funding sources, including tax incentives and other methods, used for early childhood education programs in Nebraska	X			9/13/24
367	Interim study to examine mechanisms to slow the rise		X		9/20/24

	of property tax valuations during periods of rapid property value increases				
384	Interim study to examine nonprofit organizations, their nonprofit status, the way they use their nontaxable income, and the ways they use their nontaxable income for political purposes	X			9/6/24
411	Interim study to review LB1072, introduced in the One Hundred Eighth Legislature, relating to the topic of sustainable aviation fuel			X	
414	Interim study to determine the feasibility of having the state run all property assessment in Nebraska, merging county assessors with another office, or having county assessors be an appointed position			X	
418	Interim study to examine the current property tax valuation process		X		9/20/24
424	Interim study to examine occupation taxes			X	
435	Interim study to assess the loss of funding to Nebraska counties as a result of an elimination of the Nebraska inheritance tax and to identify potential state funding sources to replace lost revenue		X		11/22/24

Transportation and Telecommunications

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
417	Provide a comprehensive examination of the funding structure of Nebraska's transportation system and identify strategies to fund		X		

	highway maintenance and construction				
376	Examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee		X		
403	Examine issues discussed during the hearing on LB1256 introduced in the One Hundred Eighth Legislature			X	
380	Study issues regarding affordable broadband in Nebraska		X		
402	Study to examine and monitor broadband expansion in Nebraska		X		10/18/24
395	Study to examine the tax and surcharge burden imposed on telecommunications services			X	

Urban Affairs

LR	Subject	Completed Report Issued	Completed No Report Issued	Deferred	Date Hearing Held
359	Interim study to review the concept of property development in the State of Nebraska		X		10/4/24
360	Interim study to review the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act		X		10/4/24
437	Interim study to examine issues within the jurisdiction of the Urban Affairs Committee		X		10/4/24
438	Interim study to review the occupational regulations for fire alarm inspectors	X			10/4/24
441	Interim study to examine the impact of local housing regulations on Nebraska's housing supply		X		10/4/24

SPEAKER ARCH PRESIDING

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 1. Introduced by Executive Board: Hansen, 16, Chairperson.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to medical cannabis; to amend section 2, Initiative Law 2024, No. 437, and section 2, Initiative Law 2024, No. 438; to eliminate an incorrect subdivision reference in provisions adopted by the voters at the statewide general election; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 2. Introduced by Executive Board: Hansen, 16, Chairperson.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to repeal terminated provisions relating to the Children and Juveniles Data Feasibility Study Advisory Group, the Crimes Against Children Fund, the Industrial Recovery Fund, the Medical Cannabidiol Pilot Study, the Municipal Natural Gas System Emergency Assistance Act, and the Nebraska Economic Development Task Force; and to outright repeal sections 19-5601, 19-5602, 19-5603, 19-5604, 19-5605, 19-5606, 19-5607, 19-5608, 28-463, 28-464, 28-465, 28-466, 28-467, 28-468, 28-469, 50-435, 81-1213, and 81-1429.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 43-1306, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 3. Introduced by Lippincott, 34, at the Request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to presidential electors; to amend sections 32-710, 32-714, and 32-1038, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 32-713, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to selection of presidential electors; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 4. Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to telecommunications; to amend section 86-124, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 75-109.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide Public Service Commission jurisdiction; to adopt the Telecommunications Exchange Deregulation Act; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 5. Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to amend section 28-470, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for immunity for conduct relating to opioid antagonists; to provide and eliminate definitions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 6. Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to amend section 28-416, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for a penalty enhancement for a controlled substances violation resulting in serious bodily injury or death; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 7. Introduced by DeKay, 40; Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the real property; to amend sections 76-2,141, 76-3702, 76-3703, 76-3704, 76-3708, 76-3709, 76-3710, 76-3712, and 76-3715, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to affidavits for covered real estate, foreign-owned real estate, oil and gas leases, real estate of railroads, public utilities, common carriers, and within cities or villages, manufacturing or industrial establishments, investigations and violations, and civil and criminal immunity; to define and redefine terms; to provide for exceptions and applicability; to harmonize provisions; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 8. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Sustainable Aviation Fuel Tax Credit Act; to amend sections 77-2715.07, 77-2717, 77-2734.03, and 77-7019, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the first year the credit is available; to change the credit to a refundable credit; to eliminate the limitations on the number of years the credit can be claimed and the annual amount available for the credit; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 9. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to tobacco and related products; to amend sections 77-2604, 77-2612, 77-2615.01, and 77-4015, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 28-1418.01, 59-1523, 69-2705, 69-2709, 69-2710.01, 77-4001, 77-4002, and 77-4003.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms relating to nicotine and nicotine analogues; to provide for regulation of alternative nicotine products and electronic nicotine delivery systems containing nicotine analogues; to change provisions relating to notices of deficiency for certain cigarette taxes and under the Tobacco Products Tax Act; to provide for sanctions and administrative penalties under the Tobacco Products Tax Act, to declare tobacco products involved in violations of the act to be contraband and provide for their forfeiture, seizure, and disposal; to provide for immunity; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 10. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to prescription drugs; to amend section 71-7455, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change a records requirement for wholesale drug distributors; to provide for dispensing of prescription drugs through the prescription drug donation program in a state of emergency; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 11. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds for the Nebraska Statewide Workforce and Education Reporting System Act; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 12. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil procedure; to amend section 25-228, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the statute of limitations on certain civil actions for sexual assault of a child; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 13. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the federal Child Care Subsidy program; to amend section 68-1206, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to file a state plan amendment as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 14. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-10,137, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Hunger-Free Schools Act; to restate legislative findings and state legislative intent; to eliminate provisions relating to reimbursement for school breakfast programs; to provide powers and duties to the State Department of Education and the State Board of Education; to repeal the original section; and to outright repeal sections 79-10,138 and 79-10,139, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 15. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding appropriations; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 16. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to hemp; to amend sections 53-105, 53-106, 53-110, 53-111, and 81-1021, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 28-1701, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt

the Nebraska Consumable Hemp Control Act; to change provisions relating to immunity for eligible drug offenses, and the Nebraska Liquor Control Commission and its commissioners, executive directors, and employees; to define terms; to provide for unmarked vehicles; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 17. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; to amend section 76-1401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit landlords from charging fees as prescribed; to require disclosures; to provide for enforcement under the Consumer Protection Act; to provide civil penalties; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 18. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act; to amend section 86-1236, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide duties for an authority and requirements for a wireless provider as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 19. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to cities of the metropolitan class; to amend sections 14-201, 14-202, 14-204, 14-205, 14-206, 14-207, 14-210, 14-217.01, 14-376, 14-521, 14-811, 14-1206, 14-1211, 14-1216, 14-1251, 32-402, 32-536, and 32-554, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 14-211, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to nomination, election, and terms of city council members and mayor; to change provisions relating to primary and general elections; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 20. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to renewable energy; to define terms; and to provide for electric service between a local distribution system and an agricultural self-generation facility as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 21. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 22. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend sections 68-911 and 68-996, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to file a

state plan amendment for evidenced-based nurse home visiting services as prescribed; to state intent relating to funding; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 23. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to provide for grants for bike-sharing programs; and to state intent regarding appropriations.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE(S)

Senator Cavanaugh, M. filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 2

Rule 3. Sec. 4. Select Committees.

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(iii) The Clerk of the Legislature's office shall be responsible for the collection of pertinent information on gubernatorial appointments. That information will be distributed to the appropriate standing committee prior to the time of the confirmation hearing. The Clerk's office shall be the "depository" for background information on the appointed individual, including a statement of financial interests if applicable, and any other biographical information that the committee chair feels is appropriate for the committee to have before it during the confirmation process. In addition to such information, the committee legal counsel shall search any publicly available information on the appointee's background, including, but not limited to, filed conflict of interest statements, media stories, and criminal history records. The committee legal counsel shall prepare an objective report for the committee detailing all such information gathered and make such report available to the members of the committee at least two days prior to the appointee's confirmation hearing.

(iv) The committees to which a gubernatorial appointee has been referred for confirmation shall conduct a confirmation hearing. Each appointee shall be required to appear in person before the committee conducting the confirmation hearing. The appearance of the appointee may be waived for good cause as determined by the chair of the committee.

The committee shall prepare a report which approves, rejects, or makes no recommendation on the appointment. Said report shall be filed with the Clerk of the Legislature. The Legislature shall then have the opportunity to accept or reject the report of the committee.

If the Legislature fails to adopt a report to approve an appointment by a majority vote of the elected members, the appointment is thereby rejected.

If the report coming from the committee is to reject the appointment, and the Legislature fails to adopt the report by a majority vote of the elected members, then the appointment is thereby approved provided the report receives a majority vote in the negative.

In the event that the committee files a report making no recommendation on the appointment, the report shall be considered by the Legislature within five legislative days, and no later than the scheduled adjournment sine die of the current legislative session. The Legislature shall consider a motion to approve the appointment, which shall require a majority of the elected members for approval. If the Legislature fails to approve the motion, the appointment is thereby rejected.

In the event a motion on a report fails to receive either in the affirmative or negative a majority vote of the elected members, then such appointment shall be deemed rejected.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 24. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to amend sections 29-2262.06 and 29-2267, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the revocation of probation and waiver of probation fees; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 25. Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 26. Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-929.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine a term; to include certain hospital and health clinic employees within certain assault statutes; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 27. Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act; to amend sections 71-5650 and 71-5652, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 68-996, 71-5662, 71-5663, and 71-5668, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions of the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund; to restate the purposes of the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act; to change provisions relating to loan repayments, financial assistance

amounts, and loan repayment recipient agreements under the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act; to provide for financial assistance in the form of loan repayments to certain dentists who agree to provide dental services to medicaid patients as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 28. Introduced by Conrad, 46; Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for an income tax adjustment for tip income; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 29. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Administrative Procedure Act; to amend section 84-920, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to create a review process for rules and regulations; to require reports as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 30. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for an income tax adjustment for income received from overtime compensation; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 31. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to state legislative findings; to require the State Board of Education to develop a model policy relating to the use of student surveillance, monitoring, and tracking technology by school districts as prescribed; and to require each school board to adopt a policy consistent with the model policy.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 32. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to political accountability and disclosure; to amend section 49-1474.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions related to disclaimers; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 33. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend sections 53-103.02, 53-103.03, and 53-103.24, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine terms; to remove nonalcoholic beer from regulation under the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 53-160.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 34. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to time; to amend sections 49-1301, 49-1302, 81-1323, and 81-1328, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 32-908, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for year-round daylight saving time as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 35. Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to privately developed renewable energy generation facilities; to amend section 70-1014.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the requirements for certain exemptions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 36. Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Wellhead Protection Area Act; to amend section 46-1501, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for notification of certain regulations and permits to controlling entities by counties, cities, and villages; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 37. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to railroads; to amend section 75-109.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Railroad Safety Act; to change provisions relating to the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission; to eliminate provisions relating to blocked crossings; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original section; and to outright repeal section 17-225, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 38. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Geologists Regulation Act; to amend sections 81-3501, 81-3502, 81-3503, 81-3507, 81-3508, 81-3509, 81-3509.01, 81-3511, 81-3512, 81-3514, 81-3515, 81-3517, 81-3518, 81-3519, 81-3520, 81-3521, 81-3522, 81-3525, 81-3526, 81-3527, 81-3528, 81-3529, 81-3530, 81-3531, 81-3534, 81-3535, 81-3536, 81-3537, 81-3539, 81-3540, and 81-3541, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define, redefine, and eliminate terms; to change, provide, and eliminate provisions relating to prohibited acts, the Board of Geologists, the roster of professional geologists, the code of practice, licensure, certificates of licensure, certificates of authority, seals, the practice of geology, violations of the act, examinations, and exempt activities; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 81-3505 and 81-3513, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 39. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banks; to amend section 8-124.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to notification of a vacancy in the board of directors of a bank to the Department of Banking and Finance; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 40. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act; to amend section 21-193, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to publication of notice of organization, amendment of certificate of organization, merger, conversion, domestication, or dissolution; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 41. Introduced by Riepe, 12; Cavanaugh, M., 6; DeBoer, 10; Raybould, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to communicable diseases; to amend section 71-502.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements relating to blood tests for pregnant women; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 42. Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 71-6038 and 71-6039, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for employment of nurse aides in intellectual and developmental disability facilities; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 43. Introduced by DeKay, 40; Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to electricity; to amend sections 70-1001.01, 70-1012, 70-1014.02, and 70-1015, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to notice and certification requirements for electric generation facilities, transmission lines, and privately developed renewable energy generation facilities located near military installations; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 44. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to postconviction relief; to amend section 29-3001, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to limitations on actions for postconviction relief; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 45. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to jobs; to amend section 48-622.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 48-622.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for grants for job programs for historically underserved youth; to state intent regarding appropriations; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 46. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to amend section 68-1017.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a Restaurant Meals Program; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 47. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to economic development; to amend sections 81-12,153, 81-12,162, 81-12,233, 81-12,234, and 81-12,235, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define terms; to change provisions relating to a small business investment program under the Business Innovation Act; to change provisions relating to a program to provide professional counseling services to small businesses; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 48. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to establish a family resource and juvenile assessment pilot program as prescribed; to provide an operative date; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 49. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-405, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to a school district's powers as a body corporate; to provide powers and duties to the State Board of Education and school districts relating to ban and bar actions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 50. Introduced by DeKay, 40; Dover, 19; Hansen, 16; McKeon, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-6204, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the distribution of the nameplate capacity tax; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 51. Introduced by Ibach, 44; Bosn, 25; Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal history record information; to adopt the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact; and to provide powers and duties for the Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety and the Nebraska State Patrol.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 52. Introduced by Ibach, 44; Bosn, 25; Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to victims; to amend section 81-1850, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change offenses included within certain victim notification requirements; to change provisions relating to disclosure of certain information; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 53. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10; Guereca, 7; Hunt, 8; Juarez, 5; Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to pregnancy; to state intent; and to provide criminal and civil immunity for pregnancy outcomes as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 54. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 55. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding certain appropriations.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 56. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend section 60-6,102, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require medical facilities and mortuaries to comply with requests for blood draws relating to certain deceased persons as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE(S)

Senator DeBoer filed the following proposed rule changes:

Proposed Rule Change 3

Rule 7, Sec. 4. Shall the Debate Cease. The previous question shall be in this form, "Shall the debate now close?".

The previous question shall be made only in the normal course of speaking order and shall be in order when demanded by five or more members, and must be sustained by the vote of a majority of the elected members, and

until decided shall, except as provided in this section of this rule, preclude further debate and all amendments and motions, except one motion to adjourn. ~~The presiding officer may rule the previous question out of order if in the presiding officer's opinion a full and fair debate has not been afforded, due to the complexity of the subject matter. The ruling of the presiding officer shall be subject to overrule in accordance with Rule 1, Section 12 of these rules.~~

On a previous question there shall be no debate. All incidental questions of order, arising after a motion is made for a previous question, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal or otherwise, without debate.

When the previous question shall have been ordered on a proposition under debate, the mover, proponent, or introducer of such proposition shall be given the right to close the debate thereon.

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Proposed Rule Change 4

Rule 2. Sec. 8. Transgression of Rules, Call Member to Order.

Sec. 8. Transgression of Rules, Call Member to Order. If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the Rules of the Legislature, the presiding officer shall, or any member may, at any time before the end of the legislative day during which such transgression occurred, call such member to order, in which case he or she shall immediately sit down, unless permitted on motion of another member to explain, and the Legislature shall, if appealed to, decide the case without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he or she shall be at liberty to proceed, but not otherwise, and if the case requires it, he or she shall be liable to censure or such punishment as the Legislature may deem proper.

Rule 2. Sec. 9. Words Excepted To.

Sec. 9. Words Excepted To. If a member is called to order for words spoken in debate, the member calling him or her to order shall indicate the words excepted to, and they shall be taken down in writing at the Clerk's desk and read aloud to the Legislature, but he or she shall not be held to answer, nor be subject to the censure of the Legislature therefore, if such call to order is not made before the end of the legislative day during which such words excepted to were spoken ~~further debate or other business shall have intervened.~~

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Proposed Rule Change 5

Rule 7. Sec. 3. Motion in Writing, Withdrawal.

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(d) No motion, proposition, or subject, different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment. Any amendment that is not germane is out of order. Germane amendments relate only to details of the specific subject of the bill and must be in a natural and logical sequence to the subject matter of the original proposal. A nongermane amendment includes one that relates to a substantially different subject.

(e) Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehends propositions in substance so distinct that, one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the Legislature. Once a call for a division is ~~made ordered by the presiding officer~~, each component shall be treated as a separate and distinct proposition. For purposes of germaneness, even if a question is germane prior to a request for division, each and every other component or proposition of the divided question will be subject to germaneness rulings. Once a vote or change has occurred on any of the divisible questions, the remaining divided sections may not be withdrawn without a majority of those voting or without unanimous consent. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible, but a motion to strike out being lost, shall not preclude an amendment or a motion to strike out or insert. Such call for division shall not be allowed when considering motions under Rule 6, Section 6. Such a call for division shall not be allowed for bills listed under Rule 8, Section 1(b).

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BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 57. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 58. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to liens; to eliminate provisions relating to jeweler's liens; and to outright repeal sections 52-301, 52-302, 52-303, and 52-304, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 59. Introduced by Sanders, 45; Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to natural resources districts; to amend section 2-3224, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for the disbursement of funds of a district by electronic payment systems; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 60. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Lottery Act; to amend section 9-829, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to remove the prohibition that a lottery ticket cannot be sold through a vending or dispensing device; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 61. Introduced by Storer, 43; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Holdcroft, 36; Jacobson, 42; Strommen, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to file an amendment to the home and community-based services waiver for the aged and disabled for memory care rates; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 62. Introduced by Brandt, 32; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Hallstrom, 1; McKeon, 41; Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to the Department of Administrative Services; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 63. Introduced by Brandt, 32; Clouse, 37; Conrad, 46; Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act; to amend section 9-1103, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine terms relating to sports wagering; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 64. Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to amend section 44-3614, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change eligibility requirements for medicare supplement policies; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 65. Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to courts; to amend sections 25-1914, 25-3010, 29-1920, 29-2207, 29-2262.04, 29-2262.06, 29-2704, 29-4106, 29-4121, 33-103, 33-107.01, 33-107.03, 33-126.05, 33-154, 33-155, 33-156, 33-157, 43-261, 43-290, 47-633, and 81-1429, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 24-703, 25-1140.09, 29-1903, 29-2262, 33-106, 33-124, 43-254, 43-260.04, 43-272, and 43-2,129, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to exempt individuals under nineteen years of age from payment of certain court fees and costs, probation fees, and DNA collection and testing costs; to provide that such individuals are presumed to be indigent for purposes of fees related to criminal discovery; to prohibit recovery of costs and fees in proceedings under the Nebraska Juvenile Code from juveniles and their parents or guardians as prescribed; to change provisions relating to juvenile pretrial diversion programs,

appointed counsel, guardians ad litem, and recoupment of certain costs; to prohibit imposition of a fine as a penalty in a juvenile proceeding; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 66. Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to health care; to adopt the Uniform Health-Care Decisions Act; and to provide severability.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 67. Introduced by Raybould, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to sexual assault; to adopt the Sexual Assault Emergency Care Act; and to provide severability.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 68. Introduced by Raybould, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide coverage for certain contraceptives under insurance policies and the medical assistance program as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 69. Introduced by Spivey, 13; McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Commission on African American Affairs; to amend section 81-2606, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements relating to meetings; to require a report; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 70. Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to children and families; to amend sections 43-104.15, 43-107, 43-512.04, 43-1401, 43-1402, 43-1404, 43-1405, and 43-1410, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 43-101, 43-101.01, 43-102, 43-104, 43-104.08, 43-104.13, and 43-2924, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for adoption by a second adult person; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to consent to adoption, home studies, terminology, child support and medical support, and the applicability of the Parenting Act; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 71. Introduced by DeBoer, 10; Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the federal Child Care Subsidy program; to amend section 71-1961, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 43-536 and 68-1206, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change requirements for child care rates paid by the Department of Health and Human Services relating to the Step Up to Quality Child Care Act; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 72. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to amend sections 28-405 and 28-416, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to controlled substances schedules; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 73. Introduced by DeKay, 40; Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30; Hallstrom, 1; Ibach, 44; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Meyer, 17; Murman, 38; Strommen, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend section 81-1414.07, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to change the number of hours of annual continuing education courses required for law enforcement officers; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 74. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act; to amend section 49-1446.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to authorize certain committee expenditures; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 75. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Wage and Hour Act; to amend sections 48-1202, 48-1203.01, 48-1205, 48-1206, 48-1207, 48-1208, and 48-1209, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 48-1203, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define terms; to clarify language regarding compensation for tipped employees; to provide duties for employers; to change powers and duties of the Department of Labor and the Commissioner of Labor; to prohibit acts and provide a penalty; to provide for liquidated damages; to provide for complaints; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 76. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act; to amend sections 81-2026, 81-2027.08, and 81-2027.09, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions of the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement System relating to benefits provided upon the death of an officer and annual benefit adjustment calculations as prescribed; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 77. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to adopt the Ensuring Transparency in Prior Authorization Act; to provide operative dates; and to provide severability.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 78. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 76-901, 76-903, and 77-1327, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Domestic Violence and Sex Trafficking Survivor Assistance Act; to change the rate and allocation of the documentary stamp tax; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 79. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; Bosn, 25; Storer, 43; Strommen, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil actions; to provide for dismissal of certain civil actions involving commercial motor vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 80. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; Bosn, 25; DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to protection orders; to amend sections 28-311.02, 28-311.05, 42-901, 42-905, 42-924.01, 42-924.03, 42-927, 42-928, 42-929, 42-931, 43-2,107, and 60-3209, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 25-2740, 28-311.04, 28-311.12, 28-358.01, 28-1205, 28-1206, 29-404.02, 29-422, 29-2292, 42-903, 42-924, 42-924.02, 42-925, 42-926, 43-1609, and 43-1611, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Protection Orders Act; to extend the initial period of protection orders; to define terms; to provide penalties; to provide for powers and duties relating to such orders; to change a penalty for violation of a harassment protection order; to transfer provisions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 28-311.10, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 28-311.09 and 28-311.11, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 81. Introduced by Hardin, 48; Brandt, 32; Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Property Tax Incentive Act; to amend sections 77-6702 and 77-6703, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define a term; to change provisions relating to tax credits for school district taxes paid; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 2. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

WHEREAS, Cade Wakeley of Wausa, Nebraska, son of Brian and Tiffany Wakeley and member of Bloomfield/Wausa Boy Scout Troop 149, completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Throughout their scouting experience, these young men and women have learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn twenty-one merit badges, fourteen of which are in required areas, and complete an approved community service project; and

WHEREAS, for his community service project, Cade planned and organized the installation of new benches for Gladstone Park in Wausa; and

WHEREAS, Cade, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, including astronauts, leaders of government and industry, artists, scientists, and athletes.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Cade Wakeley on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Cade Wakeley.

Laid over.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 3. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

WHEREAS, the 2024 Nebraska School Activities Association Class D-6 Football Championship was held on November 22, 2024, in Kearney, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the Stuart Broncos football team competed for the Class D-6 State Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Stuart Broncos football team defeated the Sumner-Eddyville-Miller Mustangs with a score of 42-38, earning the state title; and

WHEREAS, this is the first state football championship won by the Broncos in school history; and

WHEREAS, the Stuart Broncos football team members are positive role models of hard work, dedication, perseverance, and discipline for young athletes in their community; and

WHEREAS, such a team achievement is made possible through the support of teachers, administrators, parents, and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

1. That the Legislature recognizes and congratulates the Stuart Broncos football team and its coach on winning the 2024 Nebraska School Activities Association Class D-6 State Football Championship.

2. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Stuart Broncos football team and Coach Colin Schurman.

Laid over.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 4. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

WHEREAS, Caleb Erwin of Laurel, Nebraska, a member of Laurel Boy Scout Troop 208, completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Throughout their scouting experience, these young men and women have learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn twenty-one merit badges, fourteen of which are in required areas, and complete an approved community service project; and

WHEREAS, for his community service project, Caleb planned and organized the painting of playground equipment at and the cleaning up of Laurel City Park; and

WHEREAS, Caleb, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, including astronauts, leaders of government and industry, artists, scientists, and athletes.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Caleb Erwin on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Caleb Erwin.

Laid over.

MOTION - Escort Committees

Senator Rountree moved that a series of committees be appointed to escort the various state and constitutional officers for the purpose of administering their oaths of office.

The motion prevailed.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were Mary Jo Holdcroft, Bellevue; Teresa Reese, Omaha; Bill Holdcroft, Omaha.

RECESS

At 12:01 p.m., on a motion by Senator Meyer, the Legislature recessed until 1:30 p.m.

AFTER RECESS

The Legislature reconvened at 1:30 p.m., President Kelly presiding.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Hardin who was excused until he arrived.

PRESENTATION OF COLORS

Presentation of Colors by the Nebraska Army National Guard.

SPEAKER ARCH PRESIDING**INAUGURAL CEREMONIES**

Chief Justice Jeffrey J. Funke, administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected state officials.

The Chief Justice and the newly elected state officials were escorted from the Chamber.

PROPOSED RULE CHANGE(S)

Senator Hansen filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 6**Rule 3, Sec. 4. Select Committees.**

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v) Appointments of agency or department heads serving at the pleasure of the Governor shall be considered individually by the Legislature upon receipt of the committee report.

Any other appointments reported by the committee may be presented in a single report, provided the committee's recommendation is identical for all such appointments. This report may be scheduled by the Speaker for collective consideration and action by the Legislature. The Speaker shall announce proposed nominations for collective consideration two legislative days prior to their placement on the agenda. The full report shall be indivisible; however, any individual nomination may be removed from the

report upon written request of five or more senators. Such requests must be filed with the Clerk prior to the commencement of consideration of the appointments. Any nomination so removed shall be scheduled by the Speaker for individual consideration.

Renumber the remaining subdivisions.

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES PRELIMINARY REPORT

Senator Armendariz offered the following Committee on Committees report:

Agriculture (8)

Tuesday

DeKay (C), (VC), Hansen, Holdcroft, Ibach, Kauth, McKeon, Raybould, Storm

Appropriations (9)

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

Clements (C), (VC), Armendariz, Cavanaugh, M., Dorn, Dover, Lippincott, Prokop, Spivey, Strommen

Banking, Commerce and Insurance (8)

Monday & Tuesday

Jacobson (C), (VC), Bostar, Dungan, Hallstrom, Hardin, Riepe, von Gillern, Wordekemper

Business and Labor (7)

Monday

Kauth (C), (VC), Hansen, Ibach, McKeon, McKinney, Raybould, Sorrentino

Education (8)

Monday & Tuesday

Murman (C), (VC), Conrad, Hughes, Hunt, Juarez, Lonowski, Meyer, Sanders

General Affairs (8)

Monday

Holdcroft (C), (VC), Andersen, Cavanaugh, J., Clouse, DeKay, Quick, Rountree, Storm

Government, Military and Veterans Affairs (8)

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

Sanders (C), (VC), Cavanaugh, J., Clouse, Guereca, Hunt, Lonowski, McKeon, Wordekemper

Health and Human Services (7)

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

Hardin (C), (VC), Ballard, Fredrickson, Hansen, Meyer, Quick, Riepe

Judiciary (8)

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

Bosn (C), (VC), DeBoer, Hallstrom, Holdcroft, McKinney, Rountree, Storer, Storm

Natural Resources (8)

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

Brandt (C), (VC), Andersen, Conrad, DeKay, Hughes, Juarez, Moser, Raybould

Nebraska Retirement Systems (6)

At call of Chair

Ballard (C), (VC), Clements, Conrad, Hardin, Jaurez, Sorrentino

Revenue (8)

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday

von Gillern (C), (VC), Bostar, Dungan, Ibach, Jacobson, Kauth, Murman, Sorrentino

Transportation and Telecommunications (8)

Monday & Tuesday

Moser (C), (VC), Ballard, Bosn, Brandt, DeBoer, Fredrickson, Guereca, Storer

Urban Affairs (7)

Tuesday

McKinney (C), (VC), Andersen, Cavanaugh, J., Clouse, Quick, Rountree, Sorrentino

Committee on Committees (13)

Armendariz (C)

District 1:

Bosn
Bostar
Moser
Sanders

District 2:

Cavanaugh, J
Fredrickson
Hunt
Spivey

District 3:

Brandt
Ibach
Jacobson
Murman

Enrollment and Review (1)

Guereca (C)

Reference (9)

Hansen(C), Ibach(VC), Arch, Ballard, Bostar, Dorn, Fredrickson, Jacobson, McKinney, Clements (nonvoting ex officio)

Rules (6)

Lippincott (C), (VC), Bostar, DeBoer, Hansen, Ibach, Arch (ex officio)

Executive Board of the Legislative Council (9)

Hansen(C), Ibach(VC), Arch, Ballard, Bostar, Dorn, Fredrickson, Jacobson, McKinney, Clements (nonvoting ex officio)

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Jeffrey Wallman of Geneva.

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:57 p.m., on a motion by Senator Moser, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Friday, January 10, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

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PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Clements.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Armendariz.

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 Dover, Hardin, and Jacobson who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the second day was approved.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE(S)

Senator Lonowski filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 7

Rule 2, Sec. 7. Senator Desiring to Speak. (a) When a member desires to speak in debate or to deliver any matter to the Legislature, he or she shall rise from his or her seat and respectfully address himself or herself to "Mr. or Madame President." A member shall speak only when recognized ~~and shall confine his or her remarks to the question before the Legislature.~~

(b) No member shall interrupt the business of the Legislature nor speak to another who has the floor, except when he or she may yield to a question. No guest will be introduced during the legislative session except dignitaries and such dignitaries shall only be introduced by the presiding officer, provided that the presiding officer can announce the presence of visiting

groups or organizations at his or her discretion. Those individuals and groups not introduced may be inserted in the Journal by request. ~~No member shall use profane or abusive language when speaking to or about another member.~~

(c)(i) When speaking, a member shall maintain germane speech by confining his or her speech to address the question under consideration in an orderly manner. The presiding officer shall, or a member may, call another member to order for nongermane speech. For purposes of this subdivision, germane speech means relevant speech that pertains to the question under consideration or the main subject that has been opened by the underlying bill, resolution, amendment, rule, or matter to which such current question is related. It may include the discussion of any impact on current law, and comparisons and interrelated aspects of other bills, resolutions, amendments, or rules that are currently introduced or were previously introduced that are logically connected. It may also include philosophy, principles, research, or lessons that could be logically applied to the question or subject under consideration. Such definition of germane speech shall be liberally applied by the presiding officer and members. Nongermane speech is irrelevant or disorderly speech that is persistent in its irrelevance or repetition. Nongermane speech shall be addressed in the manner provided under subdivisions (c)(ii) through (iv) of this section.

(ii) When the presiding officer or another member first calls a member to order for nongermane speech, the presiding officer shall issue a warning and direct the member to keep his or her remarks germane to the question before the Legislature. If the relevance of the member's speech is unclear, the presiding officer may allow the member called to order to quickly explain the relevant point he or she seeks to make and then allow the member to continue.

(iii) If after such warning the same member persistently engages in nongermane speech, the presiding officer shall, or another member may, call the member to order, in which case such member shall sit down, unless permitted on the motion of another member to explain. The presiding officer shall then state the presiding officer's ruling, and if determining that such speech is nongermane, shall state "The member's speech is nongermane and therefore out of order." If so ruled, the member shall not be permitted to continue to speak on the bill, resolution, amendment, rule, or matter during the remainder of that stage of debate. A motion to overrule the chair shall not be in order for purposes of this subdivision.

(iv) If a member who has been previously ruled out of order for nongermane speech is again called to order by the presiding officer or another member during any further stage of debate of the same bill, resolution, amendment, rule, or matter, the presiding officer shall state "Shall the member be twice ruled out of order for nongermane speech?" The Legislature shall then decide the question without debate. If the member is twice ruled out of order for nongermane speech, the member shall immediately sit down and not be permitted to continue to speak during any further debate on that bill, resolution, amendment, rule, or matter. A motion to overrule the chair shall not be in order for purposes of this subdivision. This subdivision shall be

applied in the event of any subsequent nongermane speech by such member in debate on any other bill, resolution, amendment, rule, or matter as constituting having been previously ruled out of order for nongermane speech.

~~**Sec. 8. Transgression of Rules, Call Member to Order.** If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the Rules of the Legislature, the presiding officer shall, or any member may, call such member to order, in which case he or she shall immediately sit down, unless permitted on motion of another member to explain, and the Legislature shall, if appealed to, decide the case without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he or she shall be at liberty to proceed, but not otherwise, and if the case requires it, he or she shall be liable to censure or such punishment as the Legislature may deem proper.~~

Rule 2, Sec. 8 Sec. 9. Words Excepted To. No member shall use profane or abusive language, including when speaking to or about another member. If a member is called to order for words spoken in debate, the member calling him or her to order shall indicate the words excepted to, and they shall be taken down in writing at the Clerk's desk and read aloud to the Legislature, but he or she shall not be held to answer, nor be subject to the censure of the Legislature therefore, if further debate or other business shall have intervened.

~~**Rule 2, Sec. 9 Sec. 10. Time Limit on Speaking.** The introducer of the matter pending may speak for ten minutes when he or she first presents the matter to the Legislature. Each member shall be allowed to speak up to three times for not more than five minutes on each occasion, upon any one question in deliberation during the legislative day, without leave of the Legislature, unless he or she be the introducer of the matter pending in which case he or she shall be permitted to close after every other member choosing to speak shall have spoken or after a motion to cease debate has prevailed. The introducer's close shall be included within the three opportunities permitted for speaking to an issue.~~

~~**Rule 2, Sec. 10 Sec. 11. Personal Privilege.** Personal privilege shall be, first, those affecting the rights, dignity, and integrity of the Legislature collectively; and second, the rights, reputation, and conduct of members individually. They shall have precedence over all other questions except motions to adjourn. Personal privilege shall not be used to permit any discussion or debate pertaining to any measure pending before the Legislature. All questions of privilege shall be channeled through the presiding officer, who shall determine their order of consideration.~~

~~**Rule 2, Sec. 11. Transgression of Rules, Call Member to Order.** If any member, in speaking or otherwise, transgresses the Rules of the Legislature, the presiding officer shall, or any member may, call such member to order, in which case he or she shall immediately sit down, unless permitted on motion of another member to explain, and the Legislature shall, if appealed to, decide the case without debate. If the decision be in favor of the member called to order, he or she shall be at liberty to proceed, but not otherwise,~~

and if the case requires it, he or she shall be liable to censure or such punishment as the Legislature may deem proper.

Senator Lippincott filed the following proposed rule changes:

Proposed Rule Change 8

Rule 7, Sec. 10. Title of Rule. Sec. 10. Cloture. At any stage of consideration the principal introducer of the bill, resolution, or main motion under consideration, a cointroducer with the consent of the principal introducer, or the chairperson of the committee, or the vice chair of the committee in the absence of the committee chair, if the bill, resolution, or main motion is introduced by that committee, may move for cloture to the presiding officer, except that motions to adopt permanent or temporary rules or amendments to the permanent or temporary rules may not be subject to cloture. The presiding officer may rule a motion for cloture out of order if, in the presiding officer's opinion, a full and fair debate has not been afforded. Such ruling by the presiding officer shall not be subject to challenge. Whenever a motion for cloture is offered, the presiding officer shall immediately recognize such introducer or chairperson and shall then order debate on the pending amendment or motion to cease. A vote on the cloture motion shall be taken immediately. A ~~three-fifths two-thirds~~ majority of the elected members shall be for the cloture motion to be successful. A motion for cloture shall be in order except while a member is speaking, and a motion for cloture is not debatable. If the motion for cloture is successful, a vote on the pending matter shall be taken immediately, without debate. If the pending matter is an amendment to an amendment, following a vote on the amendment to the amendment, a vote shall be taken on the original amendment. If the original amendment has been divided, then the vote shall be on the original undivided amendment being considered. Finally, a vote on the advancement of the bill shall be taken.

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Proposed Rule Change 9

Rule 7, Sec. 10. Cloture. At any stage of consideration the principal introducer of the bill, resolution, or main motion under consideration, a cointroducer with the consent of the principal introducer, or the chairperson of the committee, or the vice chair of the committee in the absence of the committee chair, if the bill, resolution, or main motion is introduced by that committee, may move for cloture to the presiding officer, except that motions to adopt permanent or temporary rules or amendments to the permanent or temporary rules may not be subject to cloture. ~~The presiding officer may rule a motion for cloture out of order if, in the presiding officer's opinion, a full and fair debate has not been afforded. Such ruling by the presiding officer shall not be subject to challenge.~~ Whenever a motion for cloture is offered, the presiding officer shall immediately recognize such introducer or chairperson and shall then order debate on the pending amendment or motion to cease. A vote on the cloture motion shall be taken immediately. A motion for cloture shall be deemed successful whenever

passed by two-thirds of the members voting Yea or Nay with no fewer than 25 affirmative votes. A vote of Present/Not Voting shall not be counted as a vote when voting on a cloture motion. A motion for cloture on a major proposal shall require a three-fifths majority of the members voting Yea or Nay to pass two-thirds majority of the elected members shall be for the cloture motion to be successful. A vote on a cloture motion shall be a record machine vote. A motion for cloture shall be in order except while a member is speaking, and a motion for cloture is not debatable. If the motion for cloture is successful, a vote on the pending matter shall be taken immediately, without debate. If the pending matter is an amendment to an amendment, following a vote on the amendment to the amendment, a vote shall be taken on the original amendment. If the original amendment has been divided, then the vote shall be on the original undivided amendment being considered. Finally, a vote on the advancement of the bill shall be taken.

A motion for cloture shall have precedence over all other motions except a motion to recess or adjourn.

A motion for cloture which fails for lack of sufficient votes shall result in the debate on the bill ending for the day. When the Speaker chooses to resume debate on the bill, successive motions for cloture shall not be in order until one two additional hour hours of debate on the bill has occurred. ~~If the presiding officer rejects a motion for cloture on a bill due to lack of full and fair debate, successive motions for cloture on the bill may be offered at any time.~~

Proposed Rule Change 10

Rule 11 - Motions for Debate on Rule Changes. All Rules of Procedure shall take precedence and hold priority over any motions for debate on changes to the rules.

Section. 1. Motion, in Writing, Withdrawal, Parameters of Debate. (a) A motion when debating changes to the rules shall be either stated by the presiding officer or read by the Clerk before a vote is taken. All motions shall be submitted in writing if requested by the presiding officer or any senator.

(b) Once motions are stated they may be withdrawn or modified by the mover before a decision or ordering of a vote has been made. A motion to reconsider may be withdrawn only with unanimous consent or a viva voce majority vote of the elected members.

(c) The Speaker shall order the debate on the rules, shall set time parameters for debate on each proposed rule change, and shall allot up to eight hours of debate on any proposed rule change. Upon completion of the debate or expiration of the allotted time for debate as prescribed by the Speaker, whichever comes first, a record machine vote shall be taken to advance the proposed rule change. If there is a pending motion or amendment before the

body when either the debate ends or the allotted time for debate expires, a record machine vote shall be taken on the pending matter followed by an immediate record machine vote to advance the proposed rule change. If the pending matter is an amendment to an amendment, following a record machine vote on the amendment to the amendment, a record machine vote shall be taken on the original amendment. If the original amendment has been divided, then the record machine vote shall be on the original undivided amendment being considered.

(d) If the Legislature has not adopted a permanent set of standardized rules by the 15th scheduled day of the session during an odd numbered year, a motion to adopt the previous year's set of standardized rules as amended shall be in order. A motion to adopt the previous year's set of standardized rules is neither amendable nor debatable.

(e) Because proposed rule changes effect parliamentary procedures rather than the constitutions or the state statutes, they shall require only one round of debate and shall not be subject to the three rounds of debate reserved for bills and resolutions for constitutional amendments.

Sec. 2. Proposals. Propositions considered for a standardized set of rules and propositions considered for changes in the rules shall take the form of a rules proposal and shall be known as a proposed rule change. Because proposed rule changes are neither bills nor resolutions, they must be submitted in a legible written form with new language to be added to the rule underlined or written in red ink and language to be deleted from the rule shown with a strike through.

Sec.3. Ordering of Priority Motions. Priority motions shall take precedence over and hold priority over non-priority motions, but shall not hold precedence over or hold priority over any of the Rules of Procedure. Priority motions shall take precedence in the following order:

- (1) To recess
- (2) To adjourn
- (3) Call the question
- (4) Motion to adopt temporary rules
- (5) For cloture
- (6) Motion to adopt permanent rules
- (7) To Recommit
- (8) To postpone to a time certain [Bracket]
- (9) To postpone indefinitely

Sec.4. Priority Motions.

(a) Motion to Recess.

- (1) The motion to recess is a motion to temporarily suspend debate on a proposed rule change or an amendment to a proposed rule change. A motion to recess shall hold precedence over and hold priority over all other priority motions, but shall not be in order

when another member is speaking or when a motion to adjourn or recess has just been defeated.

(2) Successive motions to recess for dilatory purposes shall never be in order and shall be subject to the dilatory rule.

(3) The motion to recess is not debatable, except that the Speaker shall be privileged to speak to the motion prior to any vote on such motion.

(4) The motion to recess shall be deemed successful whenever a viva voce majority of the members present agree.

(b) Motion to Adjourn.

(1) The motion to adjourn is a motion to end debate on any rules proposals or other matters for the remainder of the day with the intention of returning for further debate on the rules at the next scheduled legislative day.

(2) A motion to adjourn to a time certain shall have precedence over a motion to adjourn. A motion to recess shall take precedence over either of such motions. Successive motions to adjourn for dilatory purposes shall never be in order and shall be subject to the dilatory rule.

(3) When a motion to adjourn has been made, the Speaker shall be privileged to speak to the motion prior to any vote on such motion. A motion to adjourn is not debatable.

(4) A motion to adjourn shall be deemed successful whenever a record majority of the members present agree.

(c) Motion to Call the Question.

(1) A motion to call the question is a motion asking the presiding officer to end debate on a proposed rule change, an amendment, or a motion by calling for the previous (concluding) question. A Senator making the motion for the previous question, shall ask the presiding officer to call for the previous question. The presiding officer shall then ask the body, "Shall debate cease?"

(2) At any time during a debate on a proposed rule change any member of the body wishing to end debate on a proposed rule change, an amendment, or a motion and who has been recognized by the presiding officer to speak may call for the debate to cease by calling for the previous question.

(3) A motion to call for the question shall be made only in the normal course of speaking order and shall be in order when demanded by ten or more members, and must be sustained by a

record vote of a majority of the elected members, and until decided shall, except as provided in this section of this rule, preclude further debate and all amendments and motions, except a motion to recess or a motion to adjourn.

(4) On a motion to call the question there shall be no debate. All incidental questions of order, arising after a motion is made for a previous question, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal or otherwise, without debate.

(5) When the previous question shall have been ordered on a proposed rule change, the chair of the Rules Committee shall be given the right to close the debate thereon.

(6) A motion for the previous question shall be deemed successful by way of a record majority vote of the members present.

d) Motion to Adopt Temporary Rules. A motion to adopt temporary rules is a motion to adopt the rules from a previous session of the Legislature or another set of standardized rules until permanent rules have been so adopted. A motion to adopt temporary rules shall be deemed successful when passed by a record majority vote of the members elected. Once permanent rules have been adopted, the motion to adopt temporary rules shall be deemed out of order, except when preceded by a successful motion to suspend the rules.

(e) Motion to Adopt Permanent Rules. A motion to adopt permanent rules is a motion to adopt a set of standardized rules for the remainder of the Legislative session at hand. Any member of the Legislature may move to adopt a permanent set of standardized rules, provided that no permanent set of rules have yet been adopted. The presiding officer shall not recognize a motion to adopt a permanent set of rules unless such motion is supported by one tenth of the members elected and verified by a show of hands. A motion to adopt a permanent set of rules shall be deemed successful when passed by a majority roll call vote of the members elected.

(f) Motion for Cloture.

(1) The motion for cloture is a motion to end debate on the current amendment to the rules under consideration and immediately proceed to voting on the proposal along with any pending amendments to the proposal which have already been recognized by the presiding officer during the course of the debate. At any time during debate on the rules the principal introducer of a proposed rule change under consideration or the chairperson of the rules committee may move for cloture to the presiding officer. Whenever a motion for cloture is offered, the presiding officer shall immediately recognize such introducer or chairperson and shall then order debate on the pending motion to cease. A vote on the cloture motion shall then be taken.

(2) A motion for cloture on an amendment to a proposed rule change shall be in order except while a member is speaking, and a motion for cloture is not debatable. If the motion for cloture is successful, a vote on the pending matter shall be taken immediately and without debate.

(3) If any Senators have left the chamber, the presiding officer shall make a call of the house before voting on a cloture motion.

(4) A motion for cloture shall be deemed successful whenever two-thirds of the members voting Yea or Nay have cast their votes as Yea or Nay and no fewer than 25 Senators have cast a vote. A vote of Present/Not voting shall not be counted as a Yea or Nay vote when voting on a cloture motion.

(5) A motion for cloture which fails for lack of sufficient votes shall result in the debate on the proposed rule change ending for the day. When the Speaker chooses to resume debate on the proposed rule change, a motion for cloture shall be out of order. Debate may continue until time expires and a record vote shall then be taken on the proposed rule change.

(g) Motion to Amend.

(1) A motion to amend is a motion to remove content and/or add content to a proposed rule change.

(2) A motion to amend shall be submitted in writing and shall contain the actual words to be added to a proposed rule change and/or the actual words to be stricken from a proposed rule change.

(3) During an odd numbered year or unless otherwise directed by the Speaker, and a motion to amend is under consideration, a motion to amend that amendment shall be in order.

(4) A motion to amend the rules shall be deemed successful by way of record majority vote of the members elected.

(h) Motion to Recommit.

(1) The Motion to Recommit is a motion to remove a proposed rule change from debate and send it back to the Rules Committee for reconsideration and/or amending.

(2) A motion to recommit shall not be recognized by the presiding officer until after the introducer of a proposed rule change has opened by explaining the rule or the rule change for a period up to ten minutes.

(3) Any Senator filing a motion to recommit shall do so in writing to the Clerk.

(4) The presiding officer shall not recognize a motion to recommit unless such motion is agreed to by five or more members and is verified by way of a show of hands.

(5) A motion to recommit may only be filed once on a proposed rule change, except that this limitation shall not apply to the introducer of the proposed rule change. This rule shall apply even after the motion fails to be attested to by five or more members by way of a show of hands.

(6) A motion to recommit shall be deemed successful if three-fifths of the members of the Legislature agree by way of a record machine vote.

(i) Motion to Postpone to a Time Certain [Bracket].

(1) The motion to postpone to a time certain is a motion to postpone debate on a proposed rule change to another time or to another date. The motion to postpone to a time certain is also known as a bracket motion.

(2) A motion to postpone to a time certain [Bracket] shall not be recognized by the presiding officer until after the chair of the Rules Committee or the introducer of the proposed rule change has opened on the proposal by explaining the proposal for a period up to ten minutes.

(3) The presiding officer shall not recognize a motion to postpone to a time certain [Bracket] unless such motion is agreed to by five or more members and is verified by way of a show of hands.

(4) Any Senator filing a motion to postpone to a time certain shall do so in writing to the Clerk and indicate the time or the date when debate on such rule proposal or proposed rule change should reconvene.

(5) A motion to postpone to a time certain may only be recognized by the presiding officer once on a proposed rule change, except that this limitation shall not apply to the introducer of the proposed rule change. A Senator filing a second motion to postpone to a time certain on shall be deemed out of order.

(6) A proposed rule change successfully postponed to a time certain after sine die shall be subject to the rule to indefinitely postpone.

(7) A vote to postpone to a time certain [Bracket] shall be deemed successful when three-fifths of the members of the Legislature agree by way of a record machine vote.

(i) Motion to Postpone Indefinitely.

(1) A motion to postpone a proposed rule change effectively kills it. A proposed rule change which has been indefinitely postponed means that no further action may be taken on the proposal.

(2) A motion to indefinitely postpone a proposed rule change shall not be recognized by the presiding officer until the proposal is read and the introducer of the proposal has been given up to ten minutes to open on the proposed rule change by explaining the proposal.

(3) The presiding officer shall not recognize a motion to indefinitely postpone a rules proposal or a proposed rule change unless such motion is agreed to by five or more members and is verified by way of a show of hands.

(4) The motion to indefinitely postpone a proposed rule change shall not be recognized by the presiding officer more than once for a proposal being debated. A member who files a second motion to indefinitely postpone a proposed rule change shall be deemed out of order. This rule shall apply even after the motion fails to be attested to by five or more Senators by way of a show of hands.

Sec. 5. Incidental Motions. Incidental motions may pertain to correcting breaches of good parliamentary procedure.

(a) Motion of Germaneness.

(1) No motion, proposition, or subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment. Any amendment that is not germane is out of order and is subject to the germaneness rule. Germane amendments relate only to the details of the specific subject of the bill or resolution and must be in a natural and logical sequence to the subject matter of the original proposal. A nongermane amendment includes one that relates to a substantially different subject. A motion of germaneness shall be deemed successful whenever a viva voce majority of the members agree.

(b) Motion to Divide the Question.

(1) Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehends propositions in substance so distinct that, one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the Legislature. Once a division is ordered each component shall be treated as a separate and distinct proposition. For purposes of germaneness, even if a question is germane prior to a request for division, each and every other component or proposition of the divided question will be subject to germaneness rulings.

(2) Once a vote or change has occurred on any of the divisible questions, the remaining divided sections may not be withdrawn without a majority of those voting or without unanimous consent. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible, but a motion to strike out being lost, shall not preclude an amendment or a motion to strike out or insert.

(3) A motion to divide the question shall be deemed successful whenever a viva voce majority of the members present agree.

(4) Following a successful vote of the members to divide the question, the Lieutenant Governor or the presiding officer shall decide how the question is to be divided. Such decision shall not be subject to any further debate.

(c) Motion for a Call of the House.

(1) Members of the Legislature are expected to remain inside the chamber during floor debates; however, members of the body on occasion may have good reason to leave. When members are absent from the chamber and have not been excused, such members may be called to return to the chamber by way of a motion for a Call of the House.

(2) A call of the house may be made by any member in the manner following: "I move for a call of the house." The presiding officer shall direct that the board be cleared and the members shall then vote on placing themselves under call.

(3) If a majority of the members present and voting vote in favor of such a motion, then the Legislature shall be deemed to be under call. Each member present shall indicate his or her presence upon the electric roll call system and shall remain in his or her seat during the call. After the Clerk shall note the names of the absentees, proceedings under the call may be suspended at any time by a majority vote of the members then present, and when so suspended shall not again be ordered on the proposition pending, except by a majority vote of the members elected.

(4) The presiding officer may declare a motion to place the house under call out of order if all of the absentees were to vote on one side of the question and if their combined vote would be insufficient to change a result of the vote.

(5) When a member is recognized to close on a motion and requests a call of the house, the time spent waiting for the members to record their presence shall be counted against the member's closing time.

d) Motion-to Suspend for Dilatory Purposes.

(1) Motions shall not be filed for dilatory purposes. If more than two motions are offered to a proposed rule change which are believed to delay progress of the debate, the Speaker or the principal introducer of the proposal may file a motion to suspend for dilatory purposes, stating that he or she believes the motions are being used for dilatory purposes. The motion to suspend for dilatory purposes shall be filed in writing with the Clerk and each motion charged with being dilatory shall be named and/or identified in the motion.

(2) The presiding officer shall recognize the Speaker and/or the principal introducer of the proposed rule change for five minutes to explain why the motions are of a dilatory nature. The presiding officer shall then recognize the Senator or Senators filing the motions for five minutes each to explain why such motions are not of a dilatory nature. The motion to suspend for dilatory purposes is a non-debatable motion and no Senator may yield time to another Senator.

(3) Without any further debate, the presiding officer shall ask, "Are the motions of a dilatory nature?" and a machine vote shall be taken among the members present.

(4) If the majority of the members present decide by way of a record machine vote that the motions are of a dilatory nature, the motions shall be withdrawn and the Senator or Senators who filed such motions shall be precluded from filing any further motions to the proposed rule change.

Proposed Rule Change 11

Sec. 8. Chairperson, Vice Chairperson. (a) The chairperson of each standing and select committee shall be selected by a roll call majority vote of the elected members ~~secret ballot on the floor~~ of the Legislature whereby each member shall state the candidate of his or her choice.

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Proposed Rule Change 12

Sec. 16. Executive Sessions and Closed Meetings. ~~(a) Executive session shall mean any meeting or portion of a meeting which is closed to the general public and members of the news media, and the proceedings of which are not electronically recorded and transcribed, unless the chairperson of the committee so provides, but the records of which shall be available for public inspection. Executive sessions shall be open to members of the news media who may report on action taken and on all discussions in executive session.~~

~~(b) Except as provided in Rule 3, Section 5(c)(ii), all other meetings of a committee shall be public unless the committee, by a majority vote of all of its members, determines that a meeting should not be open to the public,~~

including members of the news media, in a particular instance, due to rare and extraordinary circumstances. The meeting shall be reconvened in open session before any formal action may be taken.

Proposed Rule Change 13

Sec. 11. Motions and Amendments for Dilatory Purposes. (a) ~~Motions and amendments shall not be filed for dilatory purposes. All motions and amendments filed with the Clerk shall be deemed unworthy of debate unless otherwise approved by the Speaker. If more than two amendments and/or motions are offered to a bill or resolution which have been deemed worthy by the Speaker but which are believed to be used to delay progress on the debate, the principal introducer of the bill or resolution or the chair of the committee if the bill is a committee bill may file a motion to suspend for dilatory purposes, stating that he or she believes the motions are being used for dilatory purposes. The motion to suspend for dilatory purposes shall be filed in writing with the Clerk and each motion and/or amendment charged with being dilatory shall be named and/or identified in the motion along with the name(s) of the members filing such motions and/or amendments. A dilatory motion filed by the principal introducer of the bill or resolution under consideration may not be deemed unworthy of debate by the Speaker the principal introducer of the bill or resolution may raise a point of order stating that he or she believes the amendments and/or motions are being used for dilatory purposes. If, in the opinion of the Speaker, the motions and/or amendments are not dilatory, debate on the pending measure shall continue. If the Speaker has reason to believe that one or more of the amendments and/or motions are dilatory, the Speaker shall consult with the principal introducer of the original bill or resolution and the principal introducers of the amendment and/or motions in an attempt to reach an accord as to which 53 RULE 7 amendments and/or motions should be considered by the Legislature. For that purpose, the Speaker may temporarily remove the entire bill or resolution from the agenda. After consultation, the Speaker shall forthwith decide which, if any, amendments and/or motions are dilatory and shall rule such amendments and/or motions out of order. A motion to overrule the chair on any decision made pursuant to this section is not in order except that a ruling of the chair may be challenged by an introducer of amendments and/or motions ruled to be dilatory in which instance the challenge shall be to all amendments and/or motions included in the Speaker's ruling. The consultation and the Speaker's ruling subsequent to consultation provided for in this section, shall in no case result in a bill or resolution being removed from the agenda for more than the current legislative day. Any amendment and/or motion ruled out of order by the Speaker shall not in any form, version, or substance be in order if again offered by any member at the same stage of debate. A motion to overrule the chair after a ruling is out of order.~~

(b) The presiding officer shall recognize the Speaker and/or the principal introducer of the bill or resolution or the committee chair if the bill is a committee bill for five minutes each to explain why the motion(s) and/or amendment(s) are of a dilatory nature. The presiding officer shall then recognize the member or members filing the motion(s) and/or

amendment(s) for five minutes each to explain why such motions and/or amendments are not of a dilatory nature. The motion to suspend for dilatory purposes is a non-debatable motion and no member may yield time to another member.

(c) Without any further debate, the presiding officer shall ask, "Are the motions or amendments of a dilatory nature?" and a record machine vote shall be taken among the members present.

(d) If a majority of the members present decide by way of a record machine vote that the motion(s) and/or amendment(s) are of a dilatory nature, the motion(s) and/or amendment(s) shall be withdrawn and the member or members who filed such motion(s) and/or amendment(s) shall be precluded from filing any further motion(s) and/or amendment(s) to the bill or resolution under consideration until the bill or resolution advances to the next stage of debate.

(e) Once a motion or amendment has been deemed unworthy of debate by the Speaker or declared dilatory by a vote of the Legislature, a motion to reconsider shall be out of order.

Proposed Rule Change 14

Rule 7, Sec. 4. Motion to Call the Question.

(a) The motion to call the question is a motion asking the presiding officer to end debate on a bill, a resolution, an amendment, or a motion by calling for the previous (concluding) question. A member making the motion to call the question shall ask the presiding officer to call for the previous question. The presiding officer shall then ask, "Shall debate cease?"

(b) At any time during a debate on a bill or resolution any member wishing to end debate on a bill, a resolution, an amendment, or a motion and who has been recognized by the presiding officer to speak may call for the debate to cease by calling for the question.

(c) Calling for the question shall be made only in the normal course of speaking order and shall be in order when demanded by ten or more members and verified by way of a show of hands.

(d) On a motion to call the question there shall be no debate.

(e) When the previous question shall have been ordered on a proposition under debate, the mover, proponent, or introducer of such proposition shall be given the right to close the debate thereon.

(f) A motion to call the question shall be deemed successful by way of a viva voce majority vote of the members present.

(g) A motion to call the question shall hold priority over all other motions, except a motion to recess, a motion to adjourn, and a motion for cloture.

~~**Shall the Debate Cease.** The previous question shall be in this form, "Shall the debate now close?" The previous question shall be made only in the normal course of speaking order and shall be in order when demanded by five or more members, and must be sustained by the vote of a majority of the elected members, and until decided shall, except as provided in this section of this rule, preclude further debate and all amendments and motions, except one motion to adjourn. The presiding officer may rule the previous question out of order if in the presiding officer's opinion a full and fair debate has not been afforded, due to the complexity of the subject matter. The ruling of the presiding officer shall be subject to overrule in accordance with Rule 1, Section 12 of these rules. On a previous question there shall be no debate. All incidental questions of order, arising after a motion is made for a previous question, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal or otherwise, without debate. When the previous question shall have been ordered on a proposition under debate, the mover, proponent, or introducer of such proposition shall be given the right to close the debate thereon.~~

Proposed Rule Change 15

Rule 7, Sec. 2, Machine Voting, Electric Roll Call and Show of Hands.

(a) All votes shall be taken viva voce ~~voce unless otherwise provided for herein.~~ Questions shall be distinctly put in this form, to wit: "Those who are in favor of the question say 'aye'; those who are opposed to the question say 'nay.' "

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(f) The presiding officer shall not recognize a motion to call the question, to reconsider, to postpone to a time certain, to recommit to a committee, or to postpone indefinitely unless five or more members agree to the motion and the motion is sustained by a show of hands of five or more members, except that a motion to call the question shall require the approval of ten or more members by a show of hands.

Proposed Rule Change 16

Rule 6, Sec. 3. General File.

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(b) Each section shall be open to amendment. Following the reading of the title of the bill, the introducer shall first be recognized for ten minutes to move to advance and explain the bill. The amendments, if any, recommended by standing committees, shall then be introduced. After the introduction of the bill and the introduction of the committee amendment, other priority motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged under Rule 7, Section 3, except as provided for in Rule 1, Section 17. Other motions may then be filed with the Clerk, provided that the motion to reconsider, the motion to postpone to a time certain, the motion to

recommit to a committee, and the motion to postpone indefinitely are only filed once by the collective membership of the body on a bill when it is debated on General File. Motions to adjourn or recess shall remain in order except as limited by Rule 7, Section 9. The introducer's amendments, if any, shall be introduced following the consideration of the standing committee amendments and any amendments thereto. Further amendments will be considered in the order in which they are filed with the Clerk.

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Rule 6, Sec. 5. Select File. When the Legislature considers bills on Select File, any of the following motions shall be in order, provided that the motion to reconsider, the motion to postpone to a time certain, the motion to recommit to a committee, and the motion to postpone indefinitely are only filed once by the collective membership on a bill when it is debated on Select File.

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Rule 7, Sec. 3. Motion, in Writing, Withdrawal. (a) A motion shall be either stated by the presiding officer or read by the Clerk before a vote is taken. All motions shall be submitted in writing if requested by the presiding officer or any senator.

(b) The presiding officer shall not recognize any of the following motions more than once per each stage of debate on a bill or resolution: The motion to reconsider, the motion to postpone to a time certain, the motion to recommit to a committee, and the motion to postpone indefinitely.

(c) For General File and Select File the presiding officer shall allow the Introducer of a bill or resolution and the chair of a committee who is introducing a committee amendment to open on any such bill, resolution or committee amendment by allowing such individual to speak for a period not to exceed ten minutes. The introducer's amendments, if any, shall be considered following the consideration of the standing committee amendments and any amendments thereto. Other amendments and motions permitted by these rules may then be offered and shall be considered after the introducer has explained the bill in the order in which they are filed with the Clerk, subject to the provisions of Rule 1, Section 17.

(d) Once motions are stated they may be withdrawn or modified by the mover before a decision, amendment, or ordering of a vote has been made. A motion to reconsider may be withdrawn only with unanimous consent or a majority vote of the elected members.

(e) When a question is under debate, no motion shall be considered except one of the following, which motions shall take precedence in the order stated.

(i) a. To recess

~~(ii) b-~~ To adjourn

~~(iii) e-~~ For cloture

~~(iv) d-~~ To call for the previous question ~~reconsider~~

~~(v) e-~~ To reconsider ~~For the previous question~~

~~(vi) f-~~ To postpone to a time certain

~~(vii) g-~~ To recommit to a committee

~~(viii) h-~~ To amend

~~(ix) i-~~ To postpone indefinitely

~~(f)~~ Such motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged except as provided for in Rule 1, Section 17 and Rule 11, Section 3. Motions to postpone indefinitely and amend do not yield to each other.

~~(g)~~ When any of the following motions shall be made, any action on such motion shall be delayed at least one legislative day and the motion shall be printed in the Legislative Journal:

~~(i) a-~~ Motion to postpone indefinitely on General File or Select File, unless the introducer(s) of the bill, or the committee chairperson in the case of committee bills, request(s) that the motion to postpone indefinitely be considered immediately without the one-day delay.

~~(ii) b-~~ Motion to place on General File pursuant to Rule 3, Section 20(b).

~~(iii) e-~~ Motion to place bills on General File, notwithstanding the action of a standing committee.

~~(h) -b)~~ When a motion or other proposition is under consideration, a motion to amend and a motion to amend that amendment shall be in order.

~~(i) (e)~~ Amendments to the title shall be made by the Enrollment and Review Committee.

~~(j) (d)~~ No motion, proposition, or subject, different from that under consideration, shall be admitted under color of amendment. Any amendment that is not germane is out of order. Germane amendments relate only to details of the specific subject of the bill and must be in a natural and logical sequence to the subject matter of the original proposal. A nongermane amendment includes one that relates to a substantially different subject.

~~(k) (e)~~ Any member may call for the division of a question, which shall be divided if it comprehends propositions in substance so distinct that, one

being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the Legislature. Once a division is ordered by the presiding officer, each component shall be treated as a separate and distinct proposition. For purposes of germaneness, even if a question is germane prior to a request for division, each and every other component or proposition of the divided question will be subject to germaneness rulings. Once a vote or change has occurred on any of the divisible questions, the remaining divided sections may not be withdrawn without a majority of those voting or without unanimous consent. A motion to strike out and insert shall be deemed indivisible, but a motion to strike out being lost, shall not preclude an amendment or a motion to strike out or insert. Such call for division shall not be allowed when considering motions under Rule 6, Section 6. Such a call for division shall not be allowed for bills listed under Rule 8, Section 1(b).

(1) (≠) When motions are made for reference of the same subject to a select committee and to a standing committee, the question on reference to the standing committee shall be considered first.

Proposed Rule Change 17

Rule 3, Sec. 6. Redistricting Committee. (a) The Redistricting Committee of the Legislature shall be established as a special committee of the Legislature in January of each year ending in one. The committee is authorized to introduce and exercise jurisdiction over legislative bills and resolutions relating to redistricting and hold hearings regarding such legislation.

(b) The committee shall be comprised of nine members of the Legislature, three from each congressional district existing on January 1 of each year ending in zero. The Executive Board shall appoint the members of the committee in January of each year ending in one. ~~No more than five members appointed to the committee shall be affiliated with the same political party.~~ A vacancy on the committee shall be filled by the Executive Board as soon as possible after the vacancy occurs.

(c) At the first meeting of the committee, the members shall select from among themselves by majority vote one member to serve as chairperson of the committee and one member to serve as vice chairperson of the committee. ~~The chair and vice chair shall not be a member of the same political party.~~

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Proposed Rule Change 18

Proposed Rule Change 18 is on file in the Clerk's Office and available on the Legislature's website.

Senator Clements filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 19

Rule 1. Sec. 12. Overrule ruling of the Chair. ~~The presiding officer President may speak to a point of order in preference to members, and shall decide the questions or order, subject to a challenge to the Legislature by any member, which challenge shall be in order when demanded by five or more members on which challenge no member may speak more than once, unless by leave of the Legislature. No member may yield time to another member. In the event of a challenge to a ruling of the chair, the presiding officer shall ask for five hands, and if seeing five hands, shall allow the challenging member five minutes to speak, and five minutes to speak for each of two other members supporting such challenge as designated by the challenging member. After such time as taken, the Speaker, the chairperson of the Rules Committee, and the chairperson of any standing committee or their designee may each request five minutes to speak to the challenge. If the Speaker, chairperson of the Rules Committee, or chairperson of any standing committee speaks to the challenge, the challenging member may request five minutes to close and no further debate on the matter shall follow. The challenged ruling shall be restated and the question shall be phrased: "Shall the Chair be overruled?" A viva voce vote shall be taken and a majority vote of the members those present shall be required to overrule the chair. A motion to overrule the Chair shall not be subject to a reconsideration motion, and the presiding officer shall not recognize another motion to overrule the Chair that addresses the same question or order.~~

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REPORTS

Agency reports electronically filed with the Legislature can be found on the [Nebraska Legislature's website](#).

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 82. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend section 38-1015, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 38-1001, 38-1004, 38-1058, and 38-1061, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Cosmetology Licensure Compact; to define a term; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 83. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health; to amend sections 38-131 and 38-1101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Dentist and Dental Hygienist Compact; to require criminal background checks under the Uniform Credentialing Act; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 84. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health; to amend section 38-3113, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the School Psychologist Interstate Licensure Compact; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 85. Introduced by DeBoer, 10; Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to decedents' estates; to amend section 30-24,125, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change requirements for collection of personal property by affidavit as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 86. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to the Department of Natural Resources; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 87. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired; to amend section 71-8616, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for development of a statewide support service provider program for deaf-blind persons; to state intent regarding appropriations; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 88. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds to the Department of Economic Development; and to state intent regarding future appropriations.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 89. Introduced by Kauth, 31, at the request of the Governor; Andersen, 49; Clements, 2; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Dover, 19; Hallstrom, 1; Hansen, 16; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Ibach, 44; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Murman, 38; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39; Storer, 43; Storm, 23; Strommen, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to adopt the Stand With Women Act; to provide for severability.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 90. Introduced by Clements, 2.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to improvement districts; to amend sections 16-617, 16-617.01, 16-618, 16-619, 16-620, 16-621, 16-622, 16-623, and 16-624, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to establishment and creation of improvement districts, funding and costs of

improvements, included property, notice of creation, objections of property owners, bids, special assessments, and bonds; to redefine a term; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 91. Introduced by DeKay, 40; Brandt, 32; Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public power; to amend section 70-650.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the conveyance of electric distribution systems by public power districts or public power and irrigation districts to cities or villages; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 92. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil actions; to adopt the Residential Tenant Clean Slate Act; and to provide an operative date.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 93. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to amend section 29-1913, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 29-1912 and 29-1918, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for discovery of information contained in computers and electronic communication devices and of matters relating to expert witnesses; to change provisions relating to the continuing duty to disclose; to define terms; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 94. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to job training; to amend section 81-407, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Digital Skills Empowerment Act; to change the use of the Workforce Development Program Cash Fund; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 95. Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the federal child care subsidy program; to amend section 68-1206, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for a pilot program; to require a report; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 96. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the medical assistance program; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to submit applications for certain section 1115 waivers as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 97. Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend 37-1202, 60-101, 60-102, 60-121, 60-137, 60-158, 60-167, 60-337, 60-399, 60-4,113, 60-4,117, 60-4,118.06, 60-4,120.01, 60-4,123, 60-4,126, 60-4,127, 60-636, 60-6,211.05, 60-2904, and 66-1414, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 29-2292, 37-1201, 60-146, 60-169, 60-393, 60-396, 60-4,115, 60-4,120, 60-4,124, 60-4,148, 60-4,148.01, 60-4,149, 60-4,150, 60-4,181, and 60-1513, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to deferred judgments; to change provisions of the State Boat Act relating to amphibious vehicles; to change provisions of the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act relating to junk vehicles and certificates of title, minibikes, applicability of the act to fertilizer trailers, applications for certificates of title, identification inspections, and lienholders and bonded certificates of title; to change provisions of the Motor Vehicle Registration Act relating to minibikes and credit of fees and prohibit modification of license plates; to change provisions of the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act relating to fees, surcharges, and ignition interlock devices; to change provisions of the Nebraska Rules of the Road relating to minibikes and ignition interlock devices; to change provisions relating to the source of the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund; to change provisions of the Uniform Motor Vehicle Records Disclosure Act relating to personal information and sensitive personal information; to provide for the Department of Motor Vehicles to credit money to the Motor Carrier Services Division Distributive Fund and eliminate certain provisions of the fund relating to the State Treasurer; to define and redefine terms; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 98. Introduced by Moser, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 60-103, 60-135.01, 60-305, 60-358.01, and 60-6,355, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine the definitions of all-terrain vehicle and utility-type vehicle in the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act, the Motor Vehicle Registration Act, and the Nebraska Rules of the Road; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 99. Introduced by Spivey, 13; Guereca, 7; McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to treatment and corrections; to amend sections 83-170, 83-173.03, and 83-4,114, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide, change, and eliminate definitions; to change provisions relating to restrictive housing and solitary confinement; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 100. Introduced by Spivey, 13; McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to economic development; to adopt the Business Innovation and Startup Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 101. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; to amend sections 76-1415, 76-1442, 76-1445, and 76-1446, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 76-1441, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for a right to a jury trial under the act; to prohibit waivers of rights under state and federal law; to change provisions relating to summonses; to provide duties for courts; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 102. Introduced by Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the aid to dependent children program; to amend section 43-513, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements related to the standard of need; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 103. Introduced by DeBoer, 10; Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Evidence Rules; to amend section 27-412, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to admissibility of evidence of past sexual assaults; to prohibit questions relating to past sexual behavior or sexual assaults in pretrial proceedings; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 104. Introduced by Raybould, 28; Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to health and human services; to adopt the Family Home Visitation Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 105. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public power and irrigation districts; to amend sections 70-604.03 and 70-612, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for the division of voting precincts for purposes of establishing boundary lines for operating areas, chartered territory, and district elections and eliminate the requirement of approval by the Secretary of State; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 106. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 60-6,257, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the luminous reflectance and light transmission of certain motor vehicle windows; and to repeal the original section.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE(S)

Senator M. Cavanaugh filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 20**Rule 2, Sec. 3. Chamber, Guests, Distribution of Material.**

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(l) The possession of firearms and other lethal weapons by a member or any other individual within the legislative chamber is prohibited with the following exceptions:

(i) Law enforcement and Capitol security personnel performing their official duties;

(ii) Individuals, with the approval of the Nebraska Capitol Commission, participating in historical reenactments or in ceremonial proceedings; or

(iii) Active or reserve members of the armed forces of the United States, members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, and members of the Nebraska National Guard, when on duty or in training.

Rule 3, Sec. 11. ~~Conduct During Committee Hearing Rooms Hearings.~~

(a) The use of any mobile, portable, or wireless communication device, other than those authorized by the Legislative Council is prohibited in legislative hearing rooms during a meeting of a legislative committee, unless allowed by the committee chairperson.

(b) The possession of firearms and other lethal weapons by a member or any other individual within legislative hearing rooms is prohibited with the following exceptions:

(i) Law enforcement and Capitol security personnel performing their official duties;

(ii) Individuals, with the approval of the Nebraska Capitol Commission, participating in historical reenactments or in ceremonial proceedings; or

(iii) Active or reserve members of the armed forces of the United States, members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, and members of the Nebraska National Guard, when on duty or in training.

Senator Ibach filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 21**Rule 5, Sec. 4. Introducers Signing Bills.**

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(e) The introducers of all bills must submit a statement of intent for each bill to the appropriate committee chairperson within one calendar day after at least three calendar days prior to the bill's introduction hearing. The

statement of intent should discuss clearly and completely the purposes and effects of the bill.

***This rule would be effective starting with the 2026 legislative session**

Senator Kauth filed the following proposed rule changes:

Proposed Rule Change 22

Rule 7, Sec. 10. Title of Rule. Sec. 10. Cloture. At any stage of consideration the principal introducer of the bill, resolution, or main motion under consideration, a cointroducer with the consent of the principal introducer, or the chairperson of the committee, or the vice chair of the committee in the absence of the committee chair, if the bill, resolution, or main motion is introduced by that committee, may move for cloture to the presiding officer, except that motions to adopt permanent or temporary rules or amendments to the permanent or temporary rules may not be subject to cloture. The presiding officer may rule a motion for cloture out of order if, in the presiding officer's opinion, a full and fair debate has not been afforded. Such ruling by the presiding officer shall not be subject to challenge. Whenever a motion for cloture is offered, the presiding officer shall immediately recognize such introducer or chairperson and shall then order debate on the pending amendment or motion to cease. A vote on the cloture motion shall be taken immediately. A two-thirds majority of the elected members present and voting shall be required for the cloture motion to be successful. A motion for cloture shall be in order except while a member is speaking, and a motion for cloture is not debatable. If the motion for cloture is successful, a vote on the pending matter shall be taken immediately, without debate. If the pending matter is an amendment to an amendment, following a vote on the amendment to the amendment, a vote shall be taken on the original amendment. If the original amendment has been divided, then the vote shall be on the original undivided amendment being considered. Finally, a vote on the advancement of the bill shall be taken.

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Proposed Rule Change 23

Rule 1, Sec. 6. Presiding Officer, Order in Designating. In the absence of both the Lieutenant Governor and the Speaker, the order of the presiding officer of the Legislature shall be as follows:

Chairperson of the Executive Board
 Chairperson of Committee on Committees
 Chairperson of Committee on Judiciary
 Chairperson of Committee on Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
 Chairperson of Committee on Appropriations
 Chairperson of Committee on Revenue
 Chairperson of Committee on Education
 Chairperson of Committee on Banking, Commerce and Insurance
 Chairperson of Committee on ~~Natural Resources~~ Technology

Chairperson of Committee on Agriculture & Natural Resources
 Chairperson of Committee on Health and Human Services
 Chairperson of Committee on General Affairs
 Chairperson of Committee on Business and Labor
 Chairperson of Committee on Urban Affairs
 Chairperson of Committee on Transportation and Telecommunications

Rule 3, Sec. 3. Standing Committees. (a) The standing committees of the Legislature shall be as follows:

Agriculture <u>and Natural Resources</u>	8 members
Appropriations	9 members
Banking, Commerce and Insurance	8 members
Business and Labor	7 members
Education	8 members
General Affairs	8 members
Government, Military and Veterans Affairs	8 members
Health and Human Services	7 members
Judiciary	8 members
Natural Resources	8 members
Nebraska Retirement Systems	6 members
Revenue	8 members
<u>Technology</u>	<u>8 members</u>
Transportation and Telecommunications	8 members
Urban Affairs	7 members

(b) The Speaker shall not be a regular member of a standing committee.

(c) This rule will become operative on January 6, 2027

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 107. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-2715.07 and 77-4212, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide an income tax credit for renters as prescribed; to change provisions relating to a property tax credit; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 108. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Cities of the First Class Firefighters Retirement Act; to amend sections 16-1024 and 16-1025, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to contributions to the retirement system; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 109. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to amend sections 44-4606 and 44-4610, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit certain provisions in insurance policies and health plans relating to clinician-administered drugs; to prohibit pharmacy benefit managers from taking certain actions; to change provisions relating to a pharmacy benefit manager's specialty pharmacy network; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 110. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to provide requirements for pelvic examinations as prescribed.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE(S)

Senator Holdcroft filed the following proposed rule change:

Proposed Rule Change 24

Rule 7, Sec. 7. Reconsideration (a) When a question has been decided, it shall be in order for any member voting with the prevailing side, or not voting, to move for a reconsideration thereof, except that a motion to reconsider shall not be in order for any motion or amendment that fails, where at least four-fifths or more members voted against such motion or amendment. A motion to reconsider must be made on the same day the original question was decided or on the next legislative day, except when it be to reconsider the vote on a bill which lacked the constitutional majority on Final Reading. In such case, it must be made on the same day the original question was decided or on one of the next three legislative days. A motion to reconsider must be disposed of by the Legislature within five legislative days after making the same or it shall be deemed defeated. A motion to reconsider may be withdrawn only with unanimous consent or a majority vote of the elected members. If the Legislature shall refuse to reconsider, or upon reconsideration shall affirm its first decision, no further motion to reconsider shall be in order unless by unanimous consent.

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COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES FINAL REPORT

Senator Armendariz moved to approve the final Committee on Committees report.

The Armendariz motion to approve the final Committee on Committees report prevailed with 44 ayes, 2 nays, and 3 present and not voting.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 111. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to define terms; to prohibit certain actions of insurers relating to repairing motor vehicles and nonoriginal equipment manufacturer parts; to require insurers to provide notice to consumers as prescribed; and to provide a penalty.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 112. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 60-171 and 60-173, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to salvage branded certificates of title; to define and redefine terms; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 113. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend sections 53-123.01, 53-123.14, 53-123.16, and 53-129, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the rights of a manufacturer's, craft brewery, and microdistillery license; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 114. Introduced by Moser, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 60-1506, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-483 and 60-1509, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to increase fees related to records requests; to change the distribution of certain revenues; to define a term; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 115. Introduced by Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Volunteer Emergency Responders Incentive Act; to amend section 77-3105, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to increase the amount of the income tax credit; to change qualification criteria; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 116. Introduced by Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 13-2606, 13-2607, 81-3717, and 81-3720, Reissue Revised Statutes of

Nebraska, and sections 13-2603, 13-2604, 13-2605, and 13-2610, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions of the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act and the Nebraska Visitors Development Act; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 117. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2704.13, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide a sales and use tax exemption for electricity, natural gas, propane, and sewer utilities as prescribed; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 118. Introduced by Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Pharmacy Practice Act; to amend section 38-2866.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the number of pharmacy interns and pharmacy technicians supervised by a pharmacist; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 119. Introduced by Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to postsecondary education; to require a memorandum of understanding regarding the Rural Health Opportunity Program; to provide for tuition waivers to eligible students as prescribed; and to state intent regarding appropriations.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 120. Introduced by Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act; to amend section 60-484.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide an exception for when a digital image may be released; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 121. Introduced by Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act; to amend section 13-2039, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to prohibit land disposal of solar panels and wind turbine blades and the component parts of solar panels and wind turbine blades; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 122. Introduced by Meyer, 17; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Murman, 38; Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to require display of the state motto and the national motto; and to authorize contributions.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 123. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to political subdivisions; to amend sections 13-522 and 19-2907, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to withholding money due to noncompliance with budget limits and annual audits for certain political subdivisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 124. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

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.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 125. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to tobacco and related products; to amend sections 28-1418.01, 77-4001, 77-4002, 77-4003.01, 77-4007, and 77-4008, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms relating to nicotine and nicotine analogues; to provide for regulation, licensure, and taxation of alternative nicotine products and electronic nicotine delivery systems containing nicotine analogues; to change provisions of the Tobacco Products Tax Act; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 126. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to bonds; to amend section 10-126, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the redemption of certain bonds; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 127. Introduced by McKeon, 41; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal actions; to amend section 29-1208, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for damages for defendants in criminal actions that are dismissed or in which the defendant is found not guilty; to define a term; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 128. Introduced by McKeon, 41; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Public Service Commission; to amend section 75-426, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the investigation of railroad accidents; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 129. Introduced by McKeon, 41; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to political subdivisions; to amend section 13-407, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define a term; to prohibit restrictions on the provision of certain energy services; and to repeal the original section.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 5CA. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6; Hunt, 8; Raybould, 28; Spivey, 13.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To repeal Article I, section 29:

Article I, section 29, of the Constitution of Nebraska is repealed.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to eliminate provisions relating to recognition of marriage and marriage licenses.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 6CA. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6; Hunt, 8; Raybould, 28; Spivey, 13.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article I, section 29:

I-29 The State of Nebraska and its political subdivisions shall recognize marriage and issue marriage licenses to couples regardless of gender and race. Only marriage between a man and a woman shall be valid or recognized in Nebraska. The uniting of two persons of the same sex in a civil union, domestic partnership, or other similar same-sex relationship shall not be valid or recognized in Nebraska.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to change provisions relating to marriage.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 7CA. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article III, section 7:

III-7 At the general election to be held in November 1964, one-half the members of the Legislature, or as nearly thereto as may be practicable, shall be elected for a term of four years and the remainder for a term of two years, and thereafter all members shall be elected for a term of four years, with the manner of such election to be determined by the Legislature. When the Legislature is redistricted, the members elected prior to the redistricting shall continue in office, and the law providing for such redistricting shall where necessary specify the newly established district which they shall represent for the balance of their term. Each member shall be nominated and elected in a nonpartisan manner and without any indication on the ballot that he or she is affiliated with or endorsed by any political party or organization. Each member of the Legislature shall receive an annual salary of thirty thousand dollars ~~a salary of not to exceed one thousand dollars per month~~ during the term of his or her office. In addition to his or her salary, each member shall receive an amount equal to his or her actual expenses in traveling by the most usual route once to and returning from each regular or special session of the Legislature. Members of the Legislature shall receive no pay nor perquisites other than his or her salary and expenses, and employees of the Legislature shall receive no compensation other than their salary or per diem.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to change the salary of members of the Legislature to thirty thousand dollars per year.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 8. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

WHEREAS, Aric Hall of Coleridge, Nebraska, a member of Coleridge Boy Scout Troop 208, has completed the requirements for the rank of Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest rank in scouting, a Boy Scout must fulfill requirements in the areas of leadership, service, and outdoor skills. Throughout their scouting experience, these young men and women have learned, been tested on, and been recognized for various scouting skills; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the rank of Eagle Scout, a Boy Scout is required to earn twenty-one merit badges, fourteen of which are in required areas, and complete an approved community service project; and

WHEREAS, for his community service project, Aric planned and organized a refurbishing of Coleridge's War Memorial; and

WHEREAS, Aric, through his hard work and perseverance, has joined other high achievers who are Eagle Scouts, including astronauts, leaders of government and industry, artists, scientists, and athletes.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates Aric Hall on achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.
2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Aric Hall.

Laid over.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 9. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

WHEREAS, the 2024 Nebraska School Activities Association State Play Production Championships were held from December 11 through December 13 in Norfolk, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the Wausa High School one-act team competed for the Class D-1 State Play Production Championship; and

WHEREAS, under the direction of coaches Sheila and Brad Hoelsing, Wausa earned a first place finish with a score of one hundred seventy-eight points for their production of "Torn, the Seven Deadly Sins," written by Sheila Hoelsing; and

WHEREAS, Braydon Hoelsing won an award for Outstanding Performer, Braden Bloomquist and Jake Munter won awards for Outstanding Technical Crew Members, and Wausa won the award for Outstanding Technical Crew; and

WHEREAS, such a team achievement is made possible through the support of teachers, administrators, parents, and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of Nebraska.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the Wausa High School one-act team on winning the 2024 Nebraska School Activities Association Class D-1 State Play Production Championship.
2. That copies of this resolution be sent to the Wausa High School one-act team, Braden Bloomquist, Braydon Hoelsing, Brad Hoelsing, Sheila Hoelsing, and Jake Munter.

Laid over.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Senator Lippincott announced the Rules Committee will have a hearing on January 16, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 1525.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator Clements name added to LB80.

Senator Hunt name added to LB14.

Senator Hunt name added to LB15.

Senator Hunt name added to LB17.

Senator Hunt name added to LB24.

Senator Hunt name added to LB44.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Dave Hoelting of Pender.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:18 p.m., on a motion by Senator Prokop, the Legislature adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Monday, January 13, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

FOURTH DAY - JANUARY 13, 2025**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
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PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Bosn.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator DeKay.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 1 p.m., President Kelly presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Bostar and M. Cavanaugh who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the third day was approved.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

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LB2	General File
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LB4	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB5	Judiciary
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 Batton, Candice - Crime Victim's Reparations Committee - Judiciary
 Bertch, Mark - State Board of Health - Health and Human Services
 Bohac, Daryl - Director - Nebraska State Historical Society - Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
 Bourne, Patrick - Public Employees Retirement Board - Nebraska Retirement Systems
 Brummer, James S - State Electrical Board - General Affairs
 Bucher, Jeff - Nebraska Board of Parole - Judiciary
 Caldwell, Dawn - State Fair Board - Agriculture
 Christensen, Brian - Nebraska Investment Council - Nebraska Retirement Systems
 Cook, J Paul - State Board of Health - Health and Human Services
 Crabtree, Kay - Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - Health and Human Services
 Culver, John - Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - Health and Human Services
 Curtiss, Jacob - Public Employees Retirement Board - Nebraska Retirement Systems
 Dunbar, Bradley - Nebraska Natural Resources Commission - Natural Resources
 Eatherton, Shawn - Crime Victim's Reparations Committee - Judiciary
 Edmond, Connie - Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges - Education

Engles, Robert - Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges - Education
Francis, Nathan Michael Lon - State Electrical Board - General Affairs
Gangwish, Duane - Nebraska Brand Committee - Agriculture
Gard, Randy L - Nebraska Ethanol Board - Natural Resources
Gloor, Michael R - Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission - Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Gonshorowski, Drew D - Director - Division of Medicaid and Long Term Care-Department of Health and Human Services - Health and Human Services
Gonshorowski, Drew D - Health Information Technology Board - Health and Human Services
Grady, Jeffrey D - Underground Excavation Safety Committee - Transportation and Telecommunications
Harris, Karen - Nebraska Arts Council - General Affairs
Harrison, Jeffrey D - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission - Health and Human Services
Hitz, Valerie - Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - Health and Human Services
Hohensee, Josh - Underground Excavation Safety Committee - Transportation and Telecommunications
Hubert, Staci - State Board of Health - Health and Human Services
Hunt, Cherlyn - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission - Health and Human Services
Jacobson, Julie J - Nebraska Arts Council - General Affairs
Janousek, Thomas - Director - Division of Behavioral Health-Department of Health and Human Services - Health and Human Services
Jarrett, Edward - Underground Excavation Safety Committee - Transportation and Telecommunications
Jones, Brandon - Underground Excavation Safety Committee - Transportation and Telecommunications
Knapp, Robert - Underground Excavation Safety Committee - Transportation and Telecommunications
Kolterman, Clark - Nebraska Arts Council - General Affairs
Krebs, Aaron - Underground Excavation Safety Committee - Transportation and Telecommunications
Kucera, Patricia - State Board of Health - Health and Human Services
Lindau, Brett - State Board of Health - Health and Human Services
McCowin, Richard - Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - Health and Human Services
Mossman, Stephen D - Nebraska Game and Parks Commission - Natural Resources
Mruz, Julie Ann - Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing - Health and Human Services
Nelson, David - Crime Victim's Reparations Committee - Judiciary
Roth, Trevor - Underground Excavation Safety Committee - Transportation and Telecommunications
Salerno, Jeanne - Nebraska Arts Council - General Affairs

Saville, James - Underground Excavation Safety Committee -
Transportation and Telecommunications
Schroeder, Rebecca - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission - Health
and Human Services
Smallcomb, Matt - Nebraska Natural Resources Commission - Natural
Resources
Stuhmer, Kimberly - State Board of Health - Health and Human Services
Tusha, Kenneth - State Board of Health - Health and Human Services
Wells, Roger - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission - Health and
Human Services
Will, Lee - Director - Department of Administrative Services - Government,
Military and Veterans Affairs
Wilson, Diva - Nebraska Rural Health Advisory Commission - Health and
Human Services
Workman, Kevin - State Personnel Board - Government, Military and
Veterans A

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

REPORT OF REGISTERED LOBBYISTS

Following is a list of all lobbyists who have registered as of January 12,
2025, in accordance with Section 49-1481, Revised Statutes of Nebraska.
Additional lobbyists who have registered will be filed weekly.

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Clerk of the Legislature

Abboud, Chris - Public Affairs Group
American Healthy Alternatives Association
Completely Kids
Fantasy Sports Operator Coalition
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital
MasterCard
Abraham, Christine K.
League of Nebraska Municipalities
Adler, Joseph
Lindsay Harr MacDonald
Albrecht, Tim
Apple Inc.
Alston, Garth R.
Altria Client Services LLC and its Affiliates
Amack, Angela K.
Everytown for Gun Safety Action Fund
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW)
Jensen Rogert Associates, Inc.
Nebraska Professional Fire Fighters Association (NPFFA)
American Communications Group, Inc.

AARP Nebraska
Above & Beyond Therapy
Advanced Power Alliance
ALLO Communications
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network
American Heart Association
Autism Family Network
Autism Speaks
Cedars Youth Services
Center for Rural Affairs
CenterPointe
City of Lincoln
Civic Nebraska
EHPV Lottery Services LLC aka Big Red Keno
Empyrean Brewing Company
Food Bank of Lincoln
Food Bank of the Heartland
Legal Aid of Nebraska
NC2-Nebraska Cancer Coalition
Nebraska Association of Behavioral Health Organizations
Nebraska Association of Local Health Directors
Nebraska Association of Public Employees NAPE/AFSCME Local 61
Nebraska Chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association
Nebraska Child Health and Education Alliance
Nebraska Commission on Public Advocacy, The
Nebraska Cures
Nebraska Investment Finance Authority
Nebraska Occupational Therapy Association
Nebraska School Psychologists Association
Nebraska Society for Respiratory Care
Nebraska Speech-Language-Hearing Association (NSLHA)
Nebraska State AFL-CIO
Nonprofit Association of the Midlands
North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters
Region V Services dba Apace
Tallgrass Energy
UNO Chapter of the AAUP
YMCA's of Nebraska

Ames, Ann
Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska

Anderson, Josh
Christensen Farms & Feedlots, Inc.

Anderson, William
Students for Life Action

Arneal, Lincoln
Nebraska Children and Families Foundation

Arnzen, Phillip
National Association of Mutual Insurance Companies (NAMIC)

Baier, Richard J.
Nebraska Bankers Association

Baird Holm LLP
BHE Renewables, LLC
Brickway Brewery & Distillery
Eolian Energy
Kinkaider Brewing Co, LLC
National Grid Renewables Development, LLC
Nebraska Craft Brewers Guild
Nebraska Craft Distillers Guild
Ranger Power
The National Audubon Society/Audubon Great Plains
Thomson Reuters

Baker, A. J.
Caesars Enterprise Services, LLC

Baldocchi, Danny
Airbnb, Inc.

Barko, Ruthie
TechNet

Barrett, John R.
Great Plains Communications, Inc.

Barwig, Michael
AARP Nebraska

Bass, Katherine
First Five Nebraska

Beck, Joyce
AARP Nebraska

Becker, Jill
Black Hills Energy

Becket, Deanna
Convention of States Action

Beienburg, Matt
Barry Goldwater Institute for Public Policy Research

Bell, Robert
Nebraska Insurance Federation

Bennett, Amy
Young Woman's Christian Association of Grand Island, NE Inc.

Black, David
Union Pacific Railroad

Blake, Jeremiah
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska

Bodeen, Carol
Nebraska Housing Developers Association

Bodlak, Alexis
Community Action of Nebraska

Boesen, Ulrik
Altria Client Services LLC and its Affiliates

Bohrer, Bruce J.
Lincoln Chamber of Commerce

Bonkiewicz, Luke
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Bousquet, Kristopher
Nebraska State Dairy Association

Bracht, David L.
Catalyst Public Affairs

Brady, Justin J.
Radcliffe Gilbertson & Brady

Brodkey, Sharon
Jewish Community Relations Council of Omaha

Bromm & Associates
Aflac
Education Service Unit #3
Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council
Verizon Communications, Inc.

Brown, Scott
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated

Brunkhorst, Kelly
Nebraska Corn Growers Association

Burk, Adelle
Planned Parenthood North Central States

Butler-Hale, Lillian
OpenSky Policy Institute

Byrnes, Alex
Hy-Vee

Caldwell, Dawn
Renewable Fuels Nebraska

Cannon, Jonathan
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Carpenter, Jalene
Nebraska Health Care Association, Inc.
Catalyst Public Affairs
Bellino Enterprises
Columbus Exposition and Racing
CRH Americas, Inc.
Health Center Association of Nebraska
Invenergy LLC
Jewish Community Relations Council of Omaha
Jobs for America's Graduates Nebraska
Koch Government Affairs, LLC and Affiliates
KVC Health Systems, Inc.
Lutheran Family Services of Nebraska
MAXIMUS, Inc.
Nebraska Alliance of Child Advocacy Centers
Nebraska Board of Engineers and Architects
Nebraska Health Information Initiative, Inc.
Nebraska Intergovernmental Risk Management Association
NextEra Energy Resources, LLC
Omaha Municipal Land Bank

Papillion - La Vista School District
Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District
Radius
Sarpy County and Cities Wastewater Agency
Sarpy County Board of Commissioners
Chaffee, Meghan
Nebraska Hospital Association
Chaffin, Lash
League of Nebraska Municipalities
Chavez Jurado, Vanessa
Stand for Schools
Christensen, Graham
GC Resolve, LLC
GC ReVOLT, LLC
Clark, Mitchell
First Five Nebraska
Coash, Colby
Nebraska Association of School Boards
Coffey, Chase
College Board
Couture-Lovelady, Travis
National Rifle Association
CP Strategies LLC
American Federation for Children
AMV Holdings, LLC
Centene Corporation on behalf of its affiliates and subsidiaries
KAAPA Ethanol, LLC
Nebraska Petroleum Producers Association
Primary Class, Inc.
Radcliffe Gilbertson & Brady
Summit Carbon Solutions
T-Mobile
Craig, Emma
Nebraska Investment Finance Authority
Creager, Jennifer
Greater Omaha Chamber
Crimmins, Michelle
Prime Therapeutics, LLC
Danek, Sandy
Nebraska Right to Life
Davis, Al
Independent Cattlemen of Nebraska (ICON)
Nebraska Chapter of the Sierra Club
Day, Corrie
Nebraska Civic Engagement Table
Decamp, Suzan
AARP Nebraska
Delka, Krissa
Nebraska Health Care Association, Inc.

DeLong, Danny
AARP Nebraska

Dennis, Tommy
Nebraska AIDS Project

DeRossett, Dennis M.
Nebraska Press Association

Dindial, Emily Reina
AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, INC.

Dobler, James B.
Professional Insurance Agents of Nebraska

Drenkard, Scott
Altria Client Services LLC and its Affiliates

Dubas, Annette
Nebraska Association of Behavioral Health Organizations

Dukesherer, James
Nebraska Rural Electric Association

Dulaney, Michael S.
Nebraska Council of School Administrators

Duncan, Eric
Indivior Inc

Duren, Todd J.
Loup River Public Power District

Eckles, Kent
TC Energy

Edson, Dean E.
Nebraska Association of Resources Districts

Edwards Westerhold Moore
Adams Central Public Schools
Anheuser-Busch Companies
Bryan Health
Deloitte Consulting LLP
Elkhorn Public Schools
Metropolitan Utilities District
National Utility Contractors Association of Nebraska, Inc. (NUCA)
Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians
Nebraska Association of Area Agencies on Aging
Nebraska Association of County Officials
Nebraska Cattlemen, Inc.
Nebraska Funeral Directors Association
Nebraska Home Care Association
Nebraska Pork Producers Association
Nebraska Poultry Industries, Inc.
Nebraska Public Media Foundation
Nebraska Public Power District
Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association
Nebraska Sheriffs' Association
Nebraska State College System
Nebraska Water Coalition
Nebraska Well Drillers Association

Police Chiefs Association of Nebraska
Police Officers' Association of Nebraska
Rural Telecommunications Coalition of Nebraska
Union Pacific Railroad
Winners Marketing, Inc.
Edwards, Jon
Edwards Westerhold Moore
Ehlert, Tim
Amazon.com Services LLC
Eickholt, Christopher/Spike
ACLU Nebraska
Education Rights Counsel
Nebraska Court Reporters Association
Nebraska Criminal Defense Attorneys Association
Nebraskans For Alternatives to the Death Penalty
Omaha Language Solutions
The Cannabis Factory LLC
Voices for Children in Nebraska
Ekeler, Jeremy
Opportunity Scholarships of Nebraska
Erdman, Phil
Iowa-Nebraska Equipment Dealers Association
Erickson, Julie S.
American Communications, Inc.
Everett, Elizabeth
First Five Nebraska
Fairbairn, Kyle
Greater Nebraska Schools Association
Farber, Zach
Underdog Fantasy
Faustman, Nicholas
Nebraska Health Information Initiative, Inc.
Fehr, Megan
Nebraska Catholic Conference
Feichtinger, Erin
Women's Fund of Greater Omaha, Inc.
Fellers, Ansley
Nebraska Grocery Industry Association
SHAZAM
Fellers, Trent
Windstream Communications
Ferrell, Beth Bazyn
Nebraska Association of County Officials
Ferris, Jay
Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation
Feser, Adam
Nebraska Cooperative Council
Feuerborn, Jordan
Merck Sharp and Dohme LLC

Ficke, Melissa
Cicero Action
Dugan Consulting Group
Opportunity Solutions Project
Underdog Fantasy
Wonderschool

Field, Laura
Nebraska Cattlemen, Inc.

Fintel, Justin
Community Action of Nebraska

Firestone, Rebecca
OpenSky Policy Institute

Foley, JT
Fantasy Sports Operator Coalition

Foltz, Benjamin
ROAM Share

Ford, Marshawn
threeSisters

Foust, Andrew
SMART-TD

Fox, Nicole
Platte Institute for Economic Research

Foxx, Kelley
Maplebear Inc. d/b/a Instacart

Fraizer, Theodore D. (Tad)/Fraizer & Fraizer
Mutual of Omaha

Frazier, Travis
Association of National Advertisers

Frederick, Adrienne
Advanced Medical Technology Association (AdvaMed)

Gage, John
Americans for Prosperity

Gay, Tim
Catalyst Public Affairs

Geis, Gavin Lawrence
Common Cause

George, Dee D
Novartis Services, Inc.

Gerrard, Eric
American Communications, Inc.

Gibson, Rachel
League of Women Voters of Nebraska

Gilbertson, Korby M.
Radcliffe Gilbertson & Brady

Givens-Dunn, Taylor
I Be Black Girl

Glaser, Dylan
CP Strategies LLC

Goettemoeller Wendl, Jennifer

First Five Nebraska
Goldstein, Freddi
Uber Technologies, Inc.
Grabow, Richard
Lincoln Electric System
Grasz, Nate
Nebraska Family Alliance
Grisham, Kent
Nebraska Trucking Association
Guinan, Trish
Nebraska State Education Association
Gunsalus, Catherine
Heritage Action for America
Hack Merlo, Rachel
Google LLC and its Affiliates
Haddow, Mac
American Kratom Association
Hansen, John K.
Nebraska Farmers Union
Hapgood, Wade
United Healthcare Services, Inc.
Harbeke, Dan
Google LLC and its Affiliates
Harding, Mariel
Reproductive Health Collaborative Nebraska
Harner, Shannon R.
Nebraska Investment Finance Authority
Harr, Burke
Lindsay Harr MacDonald
Harris, Jasmine
RISE
Harris, Julie
Bike Walk Nebraska
Harvey, William F.
EHPV Lottery Services LLC aka Big Red Keno
Hasebrook, Kristen
Mueller Robak, LLC
Haugaard, Treva
Council of Independent Nebraska Colleges
Hausman, Adam
Nebraska State Legislative Board - Brotherhood of Locomotive
Engineers and Trainmen
Hayes, Jason W.
Nebraska State Education Association
Head, Bill
Pharmaceutical Care Management Association
Head, Craig J.
Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation
Henderson, Paul

Nebraska Medical Association
Hendrickson, Ashlee
Nebraska Realtors Association
Higgins, Kersten
Mutual of Omaha
Hilton, Felicia
North Central States Regional Council of Carpenters
Hines, James
Meta Platforms, Inc.
Hladik, Johnathan
Tallgrass Energy
Holman, Caitlin
Neilan Strategy Group
Honan, Scott
NioCorp
Howard, Sara
First Five Nebraska
Hrdlicka, Joseph
Genentech, Inc.
Hruska, Elizabeth
Catalyst Public Affairs
Hruza, Timothy
Mueller Robak, LLC
Hubly, Justin
Nebraska Association of Public Employees NAPE/AFSCME Local 61
Hunt, Kara
Nebraska Municipal Power Pool
Hunzeker, Jonathan C.
Nebraska State Education Association
Hurst, Elisabeth
Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation
Husch Blackwell LLP
Nebraska Chiropractic Physicians Association
Waste Management, Inc.
Husch Blackwell Strategies
ACT Education Corp.
AHIP - America's Health Insurance Plans
Alibaba
American Chemistry Council
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Nebraska
Cameco Resources
Charter Communications Operating, LLC
DoorDash, Inc.
EBSCO
Elite Casino Resorts
Equifax
Fonner Park
General Motors LLC
Great Plains Communications, Inc.

Grow Grand Island
Hawkins Construction
Lindsay Corporation
Magellan Health
Meta Platforms, Inc.
Monolith Materials
National Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors (NAIFA)
Nebraska Agri-Business Association
Nebraska State Athletic Trainers Association
Nucor Corporation
Prime Therapeutics, LLC
Renewable Fuels Nebraska
Turo
Werner Enterprises, Inc. and Subsidiaries
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Irsik, Ryan
Walmart Inc.
Jensen Rogert Associates, Inc.
ABATE of Nebraska, Inc.
AgMed, LLC
All Lines Interlocal Cooperative Aggregate Pool (ALICAP)
Altria Client Services LLC and its Affiliates
American Amusements Co.
American Massage Therapy Association, Nebraska Chapter
Associated Builders and Contractors, Inc.
AT&T, Inc.
Blue Gems ABA
Board of Educational Lands and Funds
Burt County Economic Development Corp.
Doane University
Eli Lilly and Company
GEVO
LeadingAge Nebraska
Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy Counties
Molina Healthcare, Inc.
Mosaic
Nebraska Association for Behavior Analysis
Nebraska Association of Former State Legislators
Nebraska Association of Nurse Anesthetists
Nebraska Dental Hygienists' Association
Nebraska Intellectual Disabilities Services Providers
Nebraska Optometric Association
Nebraska Podiatric Medical Association
Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
Radcliffe Gilbertson & Brady
Statewide Property Owners' Association
Wine Institute
Joekel, Tiffany
Nebraska Medicine

Johnson, Joseph J.
Olsson

Johnson, Kevin
Amgen

Johnson, Michael B.
Nebraska Chamber of Commerce & Industry

Johnson, Rachael A.
Ho-Chunk, Inc.

Jonas, Carlie
Center for Rural Affairs

Jones, Christine
Catalyst Public Affairs

Juhnke, Alan R.
Nebraska Pork Producers Association

Kaericher, Clark
DoorDash, Inc.

Kaffenberger, Holly
American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network

Karbo, Michael
American Petroleum Institute

Kathurima, Joy
ACLU Nebraska

Kay, Sara
American Institute of Architects, Nebraska Chapter
Nebraska County Attorneys Association

Keigher & Associates, LLC
Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation
Credit Management Services
Iowa-Nebraska Equipment Dealers Association
Molson Coors Beverage Company USA LLC
Nebraska AirBoaters Association
Nebraska Auctioneers Association
Nebraska Aviation Trade Association
Nebraska Independent Auto Dealers Association
Nebraska Land Improvement Contractors Association
Nebraska Manufactured Housing Association
Radcliffe Gilbertson & Brady

Keigher, Timothy P.
Keigher & Associates, LLC
Nebraska Petroleum Marketers & Convenience Store Association

Kelley Plucker, LLC
Advantage Capital
Bennington Public Schools
Buildertrend Solutions, Inc.
Charles Drew Health Center, Inc.
Charter Communications Operating, LLC
Cigar Association of America, Inc.
City of Omaha
Community Alliance, Inc.

Consortium of Interior Design
Creighton University
CVS Health
Douglas County, Nebraska
Eastern Nebraska Human Services Agency
EHPV Lottery Services LLC aka Big Red Keno
Elevator Industry Work Preservation Fund
Guardian Tax Partners
Heart Ministry Center
Johnson Brothers of Nebraska
Lincoln Police Union
Nebraska Auto Body Association
Nebraska Collectors Association
Nebraska Cooperative Council
Nebraska Credit Union League
Nebraska School Activities Association
Nebraska State Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police
Omaha Airport Authority
Omaha Police Officers Association
Sustainable Beef, LLC
TikTok Inc.
Westside Community Schools

Kibbe, Scot
American Property Casualty Insurance Association (APCIA)

Kingman, Andrew
State Privacy and Security Coalition, Inc.

Kissel Kohout ES Associates, LLC
Accel Entertainment, Inc.
Aksarben Equine, Inc.
Alliance Soccer Omaha LLC d/b/a Union Omaha
Associated Beverage Distributors of Nebraska
Autism Center of Nebraska
Burlington Northern Sante Fe (BNSF) Railway Company
Caseys General Stores, Inc.
CoinFlip
Copart
Enbridge (U.S.) Inc. (Formerly Spectra Energy)
Generation V
Hands of Heartland
Lancaster County Board of Commissioners
Lumen
Metropolitan Area Planning Agency
Nebraska Association of Regional Administrators
Nebraska CASA Association
Nebraska Golf Alliance
Nebraska Hearing Society
Nebraska Medicine
Nebraska Municipal Power Pool
Nebraska Psychological Association

Nebraska Regional Officials Council
Ollie Webb Center, Inc.
Omaha Public Schools
Pando PEO
Park'N Go of Nebraska, LLC
Polaris Industries
Professional Engineers Coalition
Railway Supply Institute
Ralston Public School District
Unite Us
United Cities of Sarpy County
Kissler, Kieran
Nebraska Appleseed
Kohout, Joseph D.
Kissel Kohout ES Associates, LLC
Krannawitter, Brian
American Heart Association
Kruse Company
Nebraska Alliance for Family and Child Service Providers
Neilan Strategy Group
RAI Services Co. (Reynolds American Inc.)
Kubat, Rick
Metropolitan Utilities District
Kuehn, John
Sand Creek Strategy Group LLC
Smart Approaches to Marijuana Nebraska
Larson, Olivia
RISE
Larson, Tyson
SecurityScorecard, Inc.
Lassen, Robert
AARP Nebraska
Lee-Chambers, Gayla
Saratoga History - Arts- Humanities Multicultural Center
Together We Achieve Miracles Inc - Ernie Chambers History-Arts
Humanities Museum
Lieber, Susan
Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America
Linden, Alexander
Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation
Lindsay Harr MacDonald
Alliance for Automotive Innovation
Alter Trading Corporation
Black Hills Energy
City of Hastings
City of Lexington
City of Ralston
Completely Kids
Council of Independent Nebraska Colleges

e-TITAN Vapors LLC
First National of Nebraska, Inc.
Fresenius Medical Care North America
Greater Nebraska Cities
Gretna Public Schools
Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital
Motorola Solutions, Inc.
National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, Nebraska
Chapter
Nebraska Association of Independent Ambulatory Centers
Nebraska Association of Trial Attorneys
Nebraska Beverage Association
Nebraska County Judges Association
Nebraska Nurses Association
Nebraska Rural Broadband Coalition
Nebraska State Electrical Division
Nebraskans for Rate Equity
Northern Natural Gas
Omaha Performing Arts
Omaha Public Power District
OpenSky Policy Institute
OutNebraska
Recycled Materials Association (ReMA)
Sazerac Company
Self Storage Association
Tallgrass Energy
Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska
Lindsay, John C.
Lindsay Harr MacDonald
Linster, Jillian
Center for Rural Affairs
Lombardi, Richard A.
American Communications, Inc.
Loncke, MacKenzie
Outline, Inc DBA OutNebraska
Loontjer, Pat
Gambling with the Good Life
Lostro, David L.
Nebraska Christian Home Educators Association
Loughman, Heather
Community Action Partnership of Lancaster and Saunders Counties
Luebke, Lori
Nebraska Soybean Association
Luedtke, Joselyn
Zulkoski Weber LLC
Luetkenhaus, Brandon
Nebraska Credit Union League
MacDonald, Blair E.
Lindsay Harr MacDonald

Martin, Stephen
We Support Agriculture

Martin, Susan L.
Nebraska State AFL-CIO

McClure, Jeanne
American Council of Engineering Companies/Nebraska

McDonald, Edison
Arc of Nebraska, The
GC Resolve, LLC
GC ReVOLT, LLC

McDonald, Vickie
Nebraska Association of Former State Legislators

McGann, Emily
Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America

McGowan, Kyle
Nebraska Council of School Administrators

McHargue, Mark
Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation

McIntosh, Ryan
Stilmock McIntosh Government Relations, LLC

McNally, John
Nebraska Public Power District

McNally, Lynne
Nebraska Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association
Nebraska Propane Gas Association

Melchor, Matthew
Nebraska Cattlemen, Inc.

Menke, Traci
Renewable Fuels Nebraska

Menzel, Elaine
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Meredith, Candace
Nebraska Association of County Officials

Merritt, Scott
Nebraska Agri-Business Association

Meuli, Sarah
DraftKings Inc.

Meurrens, Bradley
Disability Rights Nebraska

Mikkelsen, Brian
Nebraska State Education Association

Miller, Brennen
Kissel Kohout ES Associates, LLC

Miller, Zoe
Nebraska Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Coalition

Miner, Marion
Nebraska Catholic Conference

Moles, Jack
Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association

Moore, Scott D.

Edwards Westerhold Moore

Mueller Robak

American Express Travel Related Services, Inc.

Associated General Contractors of America, Nebraska Chapter

Chief Industries, Inc.

Collective for Youth

COPIC Insurance Company

Duncan Aviation, Inc.

Eastern Nebraska Development Council

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Google LLC and its Affiliates

Haleon c/o MultiState Associates LLC

Integrated Life Choices

Iowa-Nebraska Rental Dealers Association

JustData

Lincoln Airport Authority

Lincoln Children's Zoo

LKQ Corporation

Lower Platte South Natural Resources District

Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital

Millard Public Schools

Millard Roofing and Gutter Company

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company

Nature Conservancy, The

Nebraska Academy of Eye Physicians and Surgeons

Nebraska Association of Airport Officials

Nebraska Association of Commercial Property Owners

Nebraska Council of School Administrators

Nebraska Dental Association

Nebraska District Court Judges Association

Nebraska Land Title Association

Nebraska Medical Association

Nebraska Methodist Health Systems

Nebraska Oncology Society

Nebraska Press Association

Nebraska Society of Independent Accountants

Nebraska State Bar Association

Nebraska Winery and Grape Growers Association (NWGGA)

Old Republic International Corporation

Olsson

PayPal

Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America

POET

Smithfield Foods, Inc.

Southeast Community College

Sports Betting Alliance

Stand for Schools

State Troopers Association of Nebraska, Inc.

Tyler Technologies
Uber Technologies, Inc.
Union Bank & Trust Company
Vertex Pharmaceuticals Incorporated
Mueller, William J.
Mueller Robak, LLC
Murante, John
Nebraska Strategies
Murty, Dayton
Charter Communications Operating, LLC
Nebraska Strategies
Amazon.com Services LLC
Bayer U.S. LLC
Global Kratom Coalition
Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska
Keith County Area Development
Lancaster County Agricultural Society, Inc.
Mark Anthony Brands
Nebraska Licensed Beverage Association
Pharmaceutical Care Management Association
Plasma Games
State Shield Action
Stonington Global, LLC
Tallgrass Energy
Total Wine
U.S. Cellular
Windstream Communications
Neilan Strategy Group
Apothecary Farms
Critical Response Group
Greenlight
RAI Services Co. (Reynolds American Inc.)
Tenaska
Welcome Home
Wireless Infrastructure Association c/o MultiState Associates LLC
Neilan, Perre S.
Neilan Strategy Group
Neiles-Brasch, Megan
Omaha Public Schools
Nelson, Richard
Nebraska Rural Electric Association
Neville, Brennan S.
National Indemnity Company
Nolan, James
Mutual of Omaha
Norby, Scott J.
Nebraska State Education Association
Nordquist, Jeremy
Nebraska Hospital Association

Norman, Brian
Barry Goldwater Institute for Public Policy Research

Nungesser, Katie
Voices for Children in Nebraska

Nunnally, Elizabeth
Nebraska Family Alliance

O'Connor, Sheila
Associated General Contractors - Nebraska Building Chapter

O'Donnell, Phillip
Nebraska Public Power District

O'Neill, Thomas, Jr.
Nebraska Telecommunications Association

Ortner, Brian
AAA Nebraska and The Auto Club Group

Orton, Leroy W.
Nebraska Onsite Waste Water Association
Nebraska State Irrigation Association
Nebraska Well Drillers Association

Ostrow, Sean
BetMGM, LLC
DraftKings Inc.
FanDuel Group
FBG Enterprises Opco, LLC

Otto, Richard J.
Nebraska Grocery Industry Association
Nebraska Hospitality Association
Nebraska Retail Federation

Owen, Anthony
Code.org

Owen, Rob
Bio Nebraska

Park, Riley
National Grid Renewables Development, LLC

Parr, Ann L.
Farmers Mutual of Nebraska

Patterson, Robert
Kids Can Community Center

Pauley, John
Underdog Fantasy

Peetz & Company
Advocates for Behavioral Health
Canopy South
CHI Health
Children's Nebraska
Community Lottery System, Inc.
Cox Communications
CQuence Health Group
Durham Museum
First Five Nebraska

Friends of Knox County
Goldfinch Health
Kiewit Corporation
Lewis & Clark Natural Resources District
Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority
Microsoft Corporation
Nebraska Beef Producers
Nebraska Nurse Practitioners
Nebraska Thoroughbred Breeders Association
Nebraska Trucking Association
Omaha Zoological Society
Pivot Bio
Quality Living, Inc.
Rural Media Consortium
State Farm Insurance Companies
Telcoin
Tenaska
University of Nebraska
Peetz, Jack
Peetz & Company
Peetz, Natalie
Peetz & Company
Perkins-Wade, Jaden
Heartland Workers Center
Pertzborn, Haley
Nebraska Pharmacists Association
Peters, Deb
Association of National Advertisers
Peterson, Chris
CP Strategies LLC
Peterson, Patricia Schuett
Nebraska Investment Finance Authority
Pinto, Rachel
Everytown for Gun Safety Action Fund
Pipes, Karen
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Potter, Tim
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Prokop, Matthew

American Diabetes Association
Radcliffe Gilbertson & Brady
Altria Client Services LLC and its Affiliates
American Institute of Architects, Nebraska Chapter
American Property Casualty Insurance Association (APCIA)
Apple Inc.
Bellevue Public Schools
City of Gretna
Delta Dental of Nebraska
Enterprise Rent-A-Car
Farm Credit Services of America
Father Flanagan's Boys' Home
Friends of Nebraska Parks
Growth Energy
Habitat for Humanity of Omaha
HBAL/MOBA Coalition
Ho-Chunk, Inc.
Housing Policy Network
League of Nebraska Municipalities
Lincoln Public Schools
Live On Nebraska
Media of Nebraska, Inc.
Metropolitan Community College
Nebraska Association of Benefit and Insurance Professionals
Nebraska Broadcasters Association
Nebraska Chapter of the American College of Obstetricians and
Gynecologists
Nebraska Cultural Endowment
Nebraska Health Care Association, Inc.
Nebraska Healthy Alternatives Association
Nebraska Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association
Nebraska Liquor Wholesalers
Nebraska New Car & Truck Dealers Association
Nebraska Optometric Association
Nebraska Realtors Association
Nebraska Society of Certified Public Accountants
Nebraska State Cemetery Association
Nebraska State Fair Board
Nebraska State Home Builders Association
Nebraska Telecommunications Association
Orsted
Pinnacle Bank
Speedway Motors, Inc.
Tyson Foods, Inc.
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Woodmen of the World Life Insurance Society and Subordinate Entities
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Nebraska Rural Broadband Alliance
Nebraska Transportation Association
Nebraska Travel Association (NETA)
NorthWestern Energy
United Healthcare Services, Inc.
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Nebraska State Education Association
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Stand for Schools
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Meta Platforms, Inc.
Sahling-Zart, Shelley R.
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Voices for Children in Nebraska

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Cigna Corporate Services LLC

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Nebraska Optometric Association

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Sand Creek Strategy Group LLC
Caesars Enterprise Services, LLC
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Nebraska Optometric Association

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Slattery, David

Nebraska Hospital Association
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Platte Institute for Economic Research
Smith, Leslie
Omaha Municipal Land Bank
Smith, Marcus
Sanofi US Services Inc.
Smoyer, Brent
Rembolt Ludtke, LLP
Spatz, John
Nebraska Association of School Boards
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Nebraska Christian Home Educators Association
Stilmock McIntosh Government Relations, LLC
National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB)
National Guard Association of Nebraska
Nebraska Bankers Association
Nebraska Bankers Insurance and Services Company (NBISCO)
Nebraska Fire Chiefs' Association
Nebraska Pharmacists Association
Nebraska State Volunteer Firefighters' Association
Nebraskans for Workers' Compensation Equity and Fairness
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Stracke, Madison
Nebraska Farm Bureau Federation
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Nebraska Alliance of Child Advocacy Centers
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Swanson, Heather
Nebraska Affiliate of the American College of Nurse-Midwives
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Thornton, Melanie
Children's Nebraska
Tierney, Joelle
Neurocrine Biosciences, Inc.
Tillinghast, Jill
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Nebraska New Car & Truck Dealers Association
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Nebraska Strategies
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Nebraska Catholic Conference
Vinton, Andrew
ALLO Communications
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Omaha Public Power District
Wagelie, Sarah
Kissel Kohout ES Associates, LLC
Waggoner, Erin
Verizon Communications, Inc.
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Project Extra Mile
Watson, James S.
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Williams, Jennifer
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Consortia Consulting
Dexcom, Inc.
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Merck Sharp and Dohme LLC
Nebraska Academy of Physician Assistants
Nebraska Association of Resources Districts
Nebraska Broadband Coalition
Nebraska County Attorneys Association
Nebraska Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Coalition
Nebraska Early Childhood Collaborative
Nebraska Economic Developers Association

Nebraska Emergency Medical Services Association
Nebraska Hospital Association
Nebraska Humane Society
Nebraska Independent Community Bankers
Nebraska Land Trust
Nebraska Veterinary Medical Association
NetChoice
Novo Nordisk Inc.
Special Olympics Nebraska
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ANNOUNCEMENT

Senator von Gillern announced the Revenue Committee will hold an executive session Tuesday, January 14, at 10:30 a.m., under the South Balcony.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 130. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to General Fund net receipts; to amend section 77-4602, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to certain transfers of General Fund net receipts; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 131. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska educational savings plan trust; to amend sections 85-1801, 85-1802, 85-1804, 85-1805, 85-1806, 85-1807, 85-1808, 85-1809, 85-1810, 85-1811, 85-1812, 85-1813, 85-1814, 85-1815, 85-1816, 85-1817, 85-2802, 85-2803, and 85-2804, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 68-1201, 72-1239.01, 77-3,110, and 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to include savings plans for elementary and secondary education in the Nebraska educational savings plan trust; to define and redefine terms; to transfer provisions; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 132. Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Rules of the Road; to amend section 60-6,273, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide that evidence a person was not wearing an occupant protection system or three-point safety belt is admissible for certain purposes; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 133. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-1008, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the definition of law enforcement officer for purposes of certain offenses relating to animals; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 134. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36; DeKay, 40; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Rountree, 3.

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, 2024; 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 135. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend sections 10-702, 13-519, 13-2507, 79-1029, 79-1098, 79-10,105, 79-10,117, and 79-10,118, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 13-809, 32-405, 32-559, 32-1203, and 77-3444, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide, change, and eliminate provisions regarding elections for certain purposes; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 10-703.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 136. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil procedure; to amend sections 25-1030.01 and 25-1056, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to service of garnishment summons, continuing liens, and notices upon corporate garnishees; to define terms; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 137. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to homeowners associations; to prohibit certain restrictions relating to solar energy devices and pollinator gardens; to define terms; to provide a cause of action; and to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 138. Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public assistance; to amend section 68-9,111, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change pharmacy dispensing fees as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 139. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to real property; to amend sections 76-2239, 76-3207, and 76-3216, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to disciplinary actions against credential holders under the Real Property Appraiser Act and restrictions on ownership of appraisal management companies and violations by appraisal management companies under the Nebraska Appraisal Management Company Registration Act; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 140. Introduced by Sanders, 45; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to require each school board of a public school district to develop and adopt a policy relating to use of electronic communication devices by students as prescribed; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 141. Introduced by Rountree, 3; Holdcroft, 36; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Child Protection and Family Safety Act; to amend sections 28-710, 28-713.01, and 28-726, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require reports of child abuse or neglect involving a member of a military family to be reported to appropriate military authorities and military family advocacy programs as prescribed; to provide powers and duties for the Department of Health and Human Services; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 142. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act; to amend section 79-1003, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 143. Introduced by Rountree, 3; Holdcroft, 36; Prokop, 27; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to students; to amend section 79-215, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the preliminary enrollment in a school district by children of military families; to require any preliminary or advanced enrollment provisions of a school district apply to students with an individualized family service plan or individualized education program or students that receive special education as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 144. Introduced by Rountree, 3; Holdcroft, 36; Prokop, 27; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to amend sections 48-225, 48-226, 48-227, and 48-238, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to veterans preferences for public and private employers; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 145. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Noxious Weed Control Act; to amend section 2-958.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require the Director of Agriculture to administer a grant program relating to noxious weeds; to change provisions relating to intent to appropriate funds; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 146. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent relating to medicaid; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 147. Introduced by Hansen, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and safety; to amend section 71-3306, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide a regulation for the adding of fluoride in water; to eliminate the requirement for fluoride in water; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original section; and to outright repeal section 71-3305, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 148. Introduced by Hansen, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Dentistry Practice Act; to amend sections 38-1117 and 38-1120, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements for licensure and reciprocity as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 149. Introduced by Hansen, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend sections 79-263, 79-265, and 79-267, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate the prohibition regarding suspending a student that is in pre-kindergarten through second grade; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 79-265.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 150. Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to amend section 29-2221, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the habitual criminal enhancement; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 151. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the First-Time Homebuyers Savings Account Act; to provide income tax adjustments relating to the First-Time Homebuyers Savings Account Act; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 152. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-3509.01, 77-3509.03, 77-3510, 77-3514, and 77-3516, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 77-3501, 77-3505.06, 77-3506.03, 77-3511, 77-3512, 77-3513, 77-3517, 77-3521, 77-3522, 77-3523, 77-3529, 77-4212, and 77-7305, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to state findings and declarations; to create a homestead exemption; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 153. Introduced by Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend sections 68-911 and 68-996, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; 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; to provide for funding by the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 154. Introduced by Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to hearing instrument specialists; to amend sections 38-511, 38-1501, 38-1502, 38-1504, 38-1505, 38-1506, 38-1508, 38-1510, 38-1511, and 38-1514, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 38-1509, 38-1512, and 38-1513, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide, change, and eliminate definitions; to change provisions relating to licensure and regulation of hearing instrument specialists; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 155. Introduced by Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to justification for the use of force; to amend sections 28-1406, 28-1409, and 28-1410, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define a term; to provide that there is no duty to retreat before using deadly force when lawfully present in a motor vehicle; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 156. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil actions; to amend sections 13-910 and 81-8,219, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to allow certain tort claims involving sexual assault of a child in school settings; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 157. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 25-1553, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 77-2715.07, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Child Tax Credit Act; to exempt certain tax credit refunds from claims of creditors; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 158. Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to require a health carrier or pharmacy benefit manager to include amounts paid by a health benefit plan enrollee or paid on behalf of an enrollee by another person for purposes of calculating the enrollee's overall contribution to any out-of-pocket maximum or cost-sharing requirement under a health benefit plan as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 159. Introduced by Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to amend section 29-2260, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for sentencing consideration of an offender's status as a victim of abuse or trafficking; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 160. Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the practice of barbering; to amend section 71-216.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements for applicants taking the barber examination; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 161. Introduced by Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act; to amend section 79-1003, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 162. Introduced by Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to child care; to adopt the Child Care Safety and Security Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 163. Introduced by Spivey, 13; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Dungan, 26; Fredrickson, 20; Guereca, 7; Juarez, 5; McKinney, 11; Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the environment; to create the Office of Climate Action; to provide duties and deadlines; and to define a term.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 164. Introduced by Spivey, 13; McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to economic development; to adopt the Urban Development Incentive Act; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 165. Introduced by Hunt, 8; Cavanaugh, J., 9; DeBoer, 10; Dorn, 30; Dungan, 26; Holdcroft, 36; Jacobson, 42; McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health; to amend sections 28-441 and 28-442, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for syringe services programs; to provide for exceptions to penalties under the Uniform Controlled Substances Act relating to drug paraphernalia; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 166. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county records; to amend section 23-3211, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for withholding the residential address of a county treasurer from the public; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 167. Introduced by Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to relating to the Nebraska Litter Reduction and Recycling Act; to amend section 81-1566, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change a termination date; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 168. Introduced by Hardin, 48; DeKay, 40; Hallstrom, 1; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; McKeon, 41; Murman, 38; Raybould, 28; Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to health care; to adopt the 340B Contract Pharmacy Protection Act; to provide severability; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 169. Introduced by Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-382, 77-2701.16, and 77-3005, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate certain sales and use tax exemptions and impose sales and use taxes on certain services; to change the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act and the Tax Expenditure Reporting Act as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal

the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 77-2704.53, 77-2704.56, 77-2704.65, and 77-2704.67, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 170. Introduced by Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2704.24, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define and redefine terms; to eliminate the sales tax exemptions for candy and soft drinks; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 171. Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-2715.03 and 77-2734.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to individual and corporate income tax rates; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 172. Introduced by Hardin, 48, at the request of the Governor; Bosn, 25; Kauth, 31; Sanders, 45; Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 25-21,291, 27-1301, 28-116, 28-320.02, 28-813.02, 28-833, 28-1463.01, 28-1463.02, 28-1463.06, 28-1601, 28-1602, 83-174.02, 84-205, and 87-302, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 28-813.01, 28-1463.03, 28-1463.05, 28-1701, 29-110, 29-119, 29-4003, 29-4309, and 29-4316, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit conduct involving computer-generated child pornography; to prohibit receipt of child pornography; to transfer provisions of the Nebraska Criminal Code and the Child Pornography Prevention Act; to provide for enhanced penalties; to define and redefine terms; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 28-1463.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 173. Introduced by Prokop, 27; Dover, 19; Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding aid to community colleges; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 174. Introduced by Prokop, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to wages subject to garnishment; to amend section 25-1558, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to an exception for medical debts; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 175. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to railroads; to amend section 74-1335, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide duties for the successor in interest of a railroad; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 176. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act; to amend section 86-1304, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require resolutions of project support from political subdivisions as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 177. Introduced by Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to cash devices; to amend sections 9-1303, 77-3001, 77-3002, 77-3003, and 77-3003.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine a term under the Gambling Winnings Setoff for Outstanding Debt Act; to change provisions relating to certain licenses issued under the Mechanical Amusement Device Tax Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 178. Introduced by Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend section 53-117.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 53-101, 53-103, and 53-117.06, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define a term; to provide for issuance of certificates related to mandatory server alcohol training as prescribed; to require employment of certified personnel; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 179. Introduced by Clouse, 37; Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; to amend section 16-1005, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change contribution rates for police officers employed by cities of the first class; to eliminate obsolete provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 180. Introduced by Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Natural Resources; to amend sections 73-101 and 73-813, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide an exception for public lettings and bidding; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 181. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Young Adult Bridge to Independence Act; to amend sections 4-110 and 43-4501, Reissue Revised Statutes of

Nebraska, and sections 43-4505 and 43-4514, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for coverage under the young adult bridge to independence program for young adults not lawfully present in the United States; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to file a state plan amendment as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 182. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-2506 and 81-523, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 77-908, 77-2502, 77-2503, 77-2508, 77-3806, 77-7202, and 77-7204, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine and eliminate terms and change provisions relating to the transfer, sale, and assignment of tax credits under the Affordable Housing Tax Credit Act; to authorize additional uses of the tax credits granted under the Child Care Tax Credit Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 183. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act; to amend sections 69-1311 and 69-1317, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to abandoned property notices and access to records; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 184. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to nitrous oxide; to amend sections 28-1418.01, 28-1425, 28-1429, and 59-1523, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit the sale of nitrous oxide at a tobacco specialty store and in other circumstances as prescribed; to prohibit the sale of equipment to use nitrous oxide for recreational purposes; to provide penalties; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 185. Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to landlords and tenants; to amend sections 76-1413, 76-1450, 76-1457, and 76-1474, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 76-1410, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for electronic notices by landlords to tenants under the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act and the Mobile Home Landlord and Tenant Act; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 186. Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend section 53-123.17, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions related to entertainment districts; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 187. Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to real property; to amend sections 76-2422, 81-885.02, 81-885.13, and 81-885.24, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to written agency agreements for brokerage services and restricted acts, issuance of licenses, and unfair trade practices under the Nebraska Real Estate License Act; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 188. Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding appropriations to the Department of Health and Human Services for medicaid nursing facility rates and related reports; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 189. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to employment; to amend sections 48-652 and 71-7611, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Paid Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act; to create a fund; to transfer funds; to change provisions relating to experience accounts under the Employment Security Law; to harmonize provisions; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 190. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislative Performance Audit Act; to amend section 50-1208, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change duties for the Legislative Performance Audit Committee; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 191. Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the One-Call Notification System Act; to amend section 76-2325.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to unlawful interference with telecommunications; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 192. Introduced by Quick, 35; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Cavanaugh, M., 6; DeBoer, 10; Dungan, 26; Fredrickson, 20; Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to amend section 68-1017.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to remove a sunset date; and to repeal the original section.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Health and Human Services
Room 1510 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

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Room 1510 1:30 PM

Thursday, January 23, 2025

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LB71

(Signed) Brian Hardin, Chairperson

MOTION(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Conrad filed the following motions to LB3:

MO1

Indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

MO2

Bracket until June 9, 2025.

MO3

Recommit to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Rules Committee elected Senator DeBoer as Vice Chairperson.

The General Affairs Committee elected Senator J. Cavanaugh as Vice Chairperson.

The Health and Human Services Committee elected Senator Fredrickson as Vice Chairperson.

The Urban Affairs Committee elected Senator Clouse as Vice Chairperson.

The Judiciary Committee elected Senator DeBoer as Vice Chairperson.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 193. Introduced by Andersen, 49; Bostar, 29; Holdcroft, 36; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Committee on Pacific Conflict; to amend section 81-836, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to committee membership; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 194. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the documentary stamp tax; to amend section 76-902, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to certain exemptions; and to repeal the original section.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 10CA. Introduced by Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To add a new section 15 to Article VIII:

VIII-15 Beginning January 1, 2028, the State of Nebraska shall impose a retail consumption tax or an excise tax on all new goods and services, and the Legislature may authorize political subdivisions to do the same. There shall be no exemption from such taxes except for grocery items purchased for off-premises consumption.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to provide that the State of Nebraska shall impose a retail consumption tax or an excise tax on all new goods and services, that the Legislature may authorize political subdivisions to do the same, and that there shall be no exemption from such taxes except for grocery items purchased for off-premises consumption.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 11CA. Introduced by Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To add a new section 14 to Article VIII:

VIII-14 Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, beginning January 1, 2028, no governmental entity in the State of Nebraska may impose taxes other than retail consumption taxes or excise taxes.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to provide that, beginning January 1, 2028, no governmental entity in the State of Nebraska may impose taxes other than retail consumption taxes or excise taxes.

For

Against.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator DeKay name added to LB129.

Senator Hunt name added to LB31.

Senator Meyer name added to LB89.

Senator Murman name added to LB50.

Senator Raybould name added to LB105.

Senator Raybould name added to LB110.

Senator Raybould name added to LB12.

Senator Raybould name added to LB23.

Senator Raybould name added to LB32.

Senator Raybould name added to LB54.

Senator Raybould name added to LB74.

Senator Storm name added to LB3.

Senator Storm name added to LB73.

Senator Wordekemper name added to LB115.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Dale Michels of Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:21 p.m., on a motion by Senator Hallstrom, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 14, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

FIFTH DAY - JANUARY 14, 2025**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
FIRST SESSION****FIFTH DAY**

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Tuesday, January 14, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator DeBoer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Clouse.

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 Bostar, Conrad, DeKay, Hardin, Hunt, and Jacobson who were excused until they arrive; and Senators Brandt and Rountree who were excused.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the fourth day was approved.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

LB/LR	Committee
LB82	Health and Human Services
LB83	Health and Human Services
LB84	Health and Human Services
LB85	Judiciary
LB86	Appropriations
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LB89	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
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LB127	Judiciary
LB128	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB129	Natural Resources
LR5CA	Judiciary
LR6CA	Judiciary
LR7CA	Executive Board

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

MOTION(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Hunt filed the following motions to LB89:

MO4

Indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

MO5

Bracket until June 9, 2025.

MO6

Recommit to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Agriculture Committee elected Senator Ibach as Vice Chairperson.

The Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee elected Senator Sorrentino as Vice Chairperson.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 195. Introduced by Meyer, 17; Cavanaugh, M., 6; DeBoer, 10; Guereca, 7; Hunt, 8; Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to amend section 28-470, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for immunity for conduct relating to opioid overdose reversal medications; to provide and eliminate definitions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 196. Introduced by Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 60-6,356, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to authorize the operation of all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles between the hours of sunset and sunrise if used for snow removal as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 197. Introduced by Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Employment Security Law; to amend sections 48-628.09, 48-630, and 48-631, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to a disqualification for benefits due to a labor dispute, claim determinations, and claim redeterminations; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 198. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Licensure and Regulation Act; to amend sections 44-4601, 44-4603, 44-4608, and 44-4611, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to an appeal process; to prohibit pharmacy benefit managers from taking certain actions; to provide for pharmacy benefit manager duties; to prohibit spread pricing as prescribed; to change enforcement provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 199. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil actions; to amend sections 25-3301, 25-3302, and 25-3309, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change the statute of limitations for actions for personal injury; to provide for applicability; to include administrative proceedings within the Nonrecourse Civil Litigation Act, require certain disclosures by consumers, and provide for discipline against a certificate of registration; to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 200. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-202, 77-693, 77-801, 77-1238, 77-1239, 77-1248, and 77-1514, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to reinstate the exemptions provided under the Personal Property Tax Relief Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 201. Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Money Transmitters Act; to amend section 8-2701, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for a fee; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 202. Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medicine and Surgery Practice Act; to amend section 38-2037, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to exempt certain activities from disciplinary action; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 203. Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 71-1626, 71-1630, and 71-1632, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define terms; to change powers and duties of health directors as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 204. Introduced by Kauth, 31.

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 205. Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil actions; to provide requirements for admissibility of evidence relating to damages for past or future medical expenses; to require certain disclosures by claimants in certain cases; to provide limitations on damages for medical expenses; to provide for a cap on noneconomic damages in certain civil actions against commercial motor vehicle carriers; and to provide duties for courts.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 206. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for enhanced penalties for certain offenses committed in a disaster area during an emergency period; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 207. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 60-3,191, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide a fee for certain commercially registered alternative fuel vehicles; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 208. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-2712.03 and 77-27,143, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 77-2708, 77-2711, 77-2715.07, 77-27,241, 77-7012, and 77-7203, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to sales tax collection fees, confidentiality of sales tax information, the streamlined sales and use tax agreement, a database for sales tax zip code information, annual limits for certain tax credits, and certain tax credits for parents and legal guardians; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 209. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-202 and 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to homestead exemptions for certain veterans and surviving spouses and a property tax exemption for certain skilled nursing facilities, nursing facilities, and assisted-living facilities; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 210. Introduced by Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to population health information; to amend sections 81-6,123, 81-6,124, 81-6,125, and 81-6,126, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 71-2454, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the prescription drug monitoring program, the designated health information exchange, and the Population Health Information Act; to define terms; to provide for assessments; to create a fund; to require reports regarding managed care organizations; to require sharing of vital statistics data; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 211. Introduced by Riepe, 12; Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act; to amend section 13-3403, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the calculation of property tax request authority; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 212. Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Tobacco Products Tax Act; to amend section 77-4008, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the tax on cigars, cheroots, and stogies as prescribed; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 213. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-760.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require the State Board of Education to adopt academic content standards on human embryology under the science education standards as prescribed; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 214. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Newborn Safe Haven Act; to amend sections 43-4901, 43-4902, and 43-4903, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define terms; to provide for the use of newborn safety devices as prescribed; to state intent regarding grants; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to develop certain procedures relating to surrendered newborn infants; to change legislative intent relating to funding; to provide an exemption from criminal liability; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 215. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal justice; to amend section 83-1,135, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Clean Slate Act;

to provide for commutations; to provide duties for the Department of Correctional Services, Board of Parole, Division of Parole Supervision, and Board of Pardons; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 216. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to courts; to amend sections 11-119, 11-125, 11-126, 22-417, 23-120, 23-121, 23-405, 23-1114.03, 23-1114.04, 23-1114.05, 23-1114.06, 24-228, 24-337.01, 24-337.04, 24-507, 24-508, 24-509, 43-512.05, 71-915, and 71-957, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 33-106.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to transfer duties of county clerks as ex officio clerks of the district court to clerk magistrates; to provide for creation of the office of clerk of the district and county courts; to provide for consolidation of duties and the creation of consolidation plans; to require oaths as prescribed; to eliminate the elected office of clerk of the district court; to transfer clerk of the district court employees to state employment; to provide for transfers of retirement and benefits; to provide for reviews of county-provided office space or facilities; to remove a bond requirement; to provide for payment of certain district court and separate juvenile court costs by the state; to provide duties for clerks of the district court, clerk magistrates, clerks of the district and county courts, judges, and the State Court Administrator; to provide for distribution of federal reimbursements; to prohibit such clerks from serving on mental health boards; to change provisions relating to court reporters serving mental health boards; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; to outright repeal section 32-524, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 217. Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to child welfare; to amend section 71-1904, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 71-1924, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require suicide awareness and prevention training for employees of child-placing agencies and child welfare workers; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 218. Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend sections 32-307, 32-315, 32-1506, 60-484, 60-4,130, and 60-4,130.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 32-202, 32-308, 32-312, 32-1002, and 60-4,144, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to registration of voters and voting; to change penalty provisions; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 32-309, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 219. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-105, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to remove a minimum period of post-release supervision for Class III and IIIA felonies; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 220. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislature; to state findings; to provide for developmental and intellectual disability impact notes for legislation; and to provide powers and duties for the office of Legislative Research.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 221. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislature; to amend section 50-1301, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to state legislative findings relating to unfilled gubernatorial appointments; to provide powers and duties; and to repeal the original section.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Judiciary
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

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(Signed) Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 222. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend sections 60-683 and 81-2005, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 60-601, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to stopping or detaining the operator of a vehicle under the Nebraska Rules of the Road; to change duties of peace officers, the Superintendent of Law Enforcement and Public Safety, and certain officers of the Nebraska State Patrol; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 223. Introduced by Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil rights; to amend sections 20-139, 20-301, 20-303, 20-317, 20-318, 20-320, 20-321, 20-322, and 20-325, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define a term; to prohibit discrimination based upon lawful source of income or compliance with public assistance requirements; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 224. Introduced by Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to state employees; to define terms; and to provide for paid maternity leave as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 225. Introduced by Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 60-168, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change application requirements for duplicate certificates of title; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 226. Introduced by Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to amend section 29-3528, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 29-3523, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for setting aside and expunging records relating to convictions and adjudications for certain concealed weapon offenses; to define a term; to provide for retroactivity; to provide a private cause of action for violations of the Security, Privacy, and Dissemination of Criminal History Information Act; to waive sovereign immunity as prescribed; to provide a statute of limitations for such actions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 227. Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to common carriers; to amend section 75-342, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 75-311, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide burdens of proof; to change provisions relating to designations of authority, contract carriers, and authorization requirements; to delete obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 228. Introduced by Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislative Performance Audit Act; to amend sections 50-1203, 50-1204, 50-1205.01, 50-1211, and 50-1213, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 50-1209, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine a term; to update obsolete provisions; to change requirements for tax incentive performance

audits as prescribed; to provide for documents that are not subject to a public records request; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 229. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Employment Security Law; to amend section 48-604, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide that employment does not include service by a marketplace network contractor for a marketplace network platform; to define terms; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 230. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to kratom; to adopt the Kratom Consumer Protection Act; to provide an operative date; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 231. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banking and finance; to adopt the Uniform Special Deposits Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 232. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to require issuers of certain life insurance policies to provide notice of lapse and termination of such policies as prescribed; and to authorize senior citizens with certain life insurance policies to designate a third party to receive certain notifications regarding such senior citizen's life insurance policy as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 233. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska State Insurance Program; to amend sections 84-1607, 84-1608, and 84-1609, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require coverage for in vitro fertilization as prescribed; to transfer provisions relating to special coverages; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 234. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Urban Redevelopment Act; to amend section 77-6906, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine a term; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 235. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; to amend section 76-1446, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to trials for actions for possession and execution of writs of restitution; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 236. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Political Subdivisions Tort Claims Act; to amend section 13-910, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to allow tort claims involving child abuse or sexual assault of a child under the act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 237. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend section 32-960, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to permit counties to conduct elections by mail; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 238. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Foster Care Review Act; to amend sections 43-1304 and 43-1308, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to exempt local foster care review boards from the Open Meetings Act; to harmonize provisions; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 43-1306, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 239. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to developmental disabilities services; to amend sections 83-1216 and 83-1216.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change powers and duties of the Department of Health and Human Services; to change requirements relating to funding priorities; to eliminate a sunset date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 240. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Community Development Law; to amend section 18-2147, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change notice provisions relating to the division of taxes; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 241. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; Bosn, 25; Holdcroft, 36; Storer, 43; Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to data privacy; to define terms; and to provide exemption from liability for certain private entities as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 242. Introduced by Riepe, 12; Clouse, 37; Dorn, 30; Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 14-109, 15-202, 15-203, 16-205, and 17-525, Reissue Revised Statutes of

Nebraska, and sections 13-518, 13-3403, 13-3404, 13-3405, 13-3406, 18-1208, 77-1701, and 77-7305, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine a term relating to budget limitations; to change provisions of the Property Tax Growth Limitation Act relating to calculation of property tax request authority, authorized increases to such authority, and unused property tax request authority; to change provisions relating to municipal occupation taxes; to change provisions relating to property tax statements; to change certain calculations and authorize the county to retain certain funds for costs under the School District Property Tax Relief Act; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 243. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to county government; to amend section 23-367, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change a provision relating to special sidewalk assessments; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 244. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Political Accountability and Disclosure Act; to amend section 49-1402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change legislative findings; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 245. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Pure Food Act; to amend sections 81-2,239, 81-2,244.01, 81-2,245.01, 81-2,254, 81-2,257, 81-2,259, 81-2,268, 81-2,270, 81-2,271, 81-2,274, and 81-2,277, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine terms; to change provisions relating to priority items, the federal Current Good Manufacturing Practice, design and fabrication requirements, fees, establishments that are permanently closed, and service of notices and orders; to eliminate provisions relating to time/temperature control for safety food, hand washing requirements and food contact restrictions for food employees, requirements relating to date marking, sale, consumption, or discard of time/temperature control for safety food, and fingernail requirements relating to food employees; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; to outright repeal sections 81-2,272.01, 81-2,272.10, 81-2,272.24, and 81-2,272.32, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 246. Introduced by DeKay, 40; at the request of the Governor; Dorn, 30; Holdcroft, 36; Jacobson, 42; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to adulterated food; to amend sections 81-2,239, 81-2,240, 81-2,282, and 87-302, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define a term and prohibit cultivated-protein food products under the Nebraska Pure Food Act; to provide a deceptive trade practice; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 247. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Environment and Energy; to amend section 13-2042, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 66-1519, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to fees and distribution of proceeds under the Integrated Solid Waste Management Act and uses of and transfers from the Petroleum Release Remedial Action Cash Fund; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 248. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Child Care Licensing Act; to amend section 71-1910, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to exempt certain federal programs from child care licensing requirements as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 249. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend sections 79-1001, 79-1017.01, 79-1022, 79-1022.02, 79-1023, 79-1027, and 79-1031.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for military impact funding and change provisions relating to local system formula resources and certain certification dates under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 250. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banking; to amend section 8-126, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the composition of the board of directors of a bank; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 251. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banking and finance; to amend sections 8-113, 8-157, 8-226, 8-305, 8-1506, 21-1725.01, 21-1728, 45-190, 45-724, and 76-710.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 8-135, 8-141, 8-143.01, 8-157.01, 8-183.04, 8-1,140, 8-318, 8-355, 8-1101, 8-1101.01, 8-1704, 8-1707, 8-2724, 8-2903, 8-3005, 8-3007, 21-17,102, 21-17,115, 59-1722, 69-2103, 69-2104, and 69-2112, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024, and section 4A-108, Uniform Commercial Code, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt updates to federal law; to change provisions related to the use of certain words, loan limits, branch banking, failing financial institutions, credit union branches, surety bonds, and interest rates for damages payable to irrigation districts; to define, redefine, and eliminate terms; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 252. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to drugs; to amend section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit disadvantaging or discouraging medicaid and commercial insurance coverage for non-opioid drugs as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 253. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to provide for biomarker testing as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 254. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state legislative intent to transfer funds for workforce housing; to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 255. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Opioid Treatment Infrastructure Cash Fund; to amend sections 24-1302 and 71-2492, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for use of the fund for problem solving courts; to state intent regarding appropriations; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 256. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to railroads; to adopt the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Compact.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 257. Introduced by Quick, 35; Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to marriage and family therapists; to amend sections 38-2125 and 38-2130, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to reciprocity; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 258. Introduced by Raybould, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Wage and Hour Act; to amend section 48-1203.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 48-1203, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the minimum wage and the training wage; to enact a youth minimum wage; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Revenue Committee elected Senator Jacobson as Vice Chairperson.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 12CA. Introduced by Kauth, 31.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article VIII, section 1, and add a new section 14 to Article VIII:

VIII-1 The necessary revenue of the state and its governmental subdivisions shall be raised by taxation in such manner as the Legislature may direct. Notwithstanding Article I, section 16, Article III, section 18, or Article VIII, section 4, of this Constitution or any other provision of this Constitution to the contrary: (1) Real property, as defined by the Legislature, not exempted by this Constitution, shall all be taxed in accordance with Article VIII, section 14, of this Constitution~~Taxes shall be levied by valuation uniformly and proportionately upon all real property and franchises as defined by the Legislature except as otherwise provided in or permitted by this Constitution;~~ (2) tangible personal property, as defined by the Legislature, not exempted by this Constitution or by legislation, shall all be taxed at depreciated cost using the same depreciation method with reasonable class lives, as determined by the Legislature, or shall all be taxed by valuation uniformly and proportionately; (3) the Legislature may provide for a different method of taxing motor vehicles and may also establish a separate class of motor vehicles consisting of those owned and held for resale by motor vehicle dealers which shall be taxed in the manner and to the extent provided by the Legislature and may also establish a separate class for trucks, trailers, semitrailers, truck-tractors, or combinations thereof, consisting of those owned by residents and nonresidents of this state, and operating in interstate commerce, and may provide reciprocal and proportionate taxation of such vehicles. The tax proceeds from motor vehicles taxed in each county shall be allocated to the county and the cities, villages, and school districts of such county; (4) ~~the Legislature may provide that agricultural land and horticultural land, as defined by the Legislature, shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of taxation and may provide for a different method of taxing agricultural land and horticultural land which results in values that are not uniform and proportionate with all other real property and franchises but which results in values that are uniform and proportionate upon all property within the class of agricultural land and horticultural land;~~ (5) the Legislature may enact laws to provide that the value of land actively devoted to agricultural or horticultural use shall for property tax purposes be that value which such land has for agricultural or horticultural use without regard to any value which such land might have for other purposes or uses; ~~(5)(6) the~~

~~Legislature may prescribe standards and methods for the determination of the value of real property at uniform and proportionate values; (7) in furtherance of the purposes for which such a law of the United States has been adopted, whenever there exists a law of the United States which is intended to protect a specifically designated type, use, user, or owner of property or franchise from discriminatory state or local taxation, such property or franchise shall constitute a separate class of property or franchise under the laws of the State of Nebraska, and such property or franchise may not be taken into consideration in determining whether taxes are levied by valuation uniformly or proportionately upon any property or franchise, and the Legislature may enact laws which statutorily recognize such class and which tax or exempt from taxation such class of property or franchise in such manner as it determines; and (6)(8) the Legislature may provide that livestock shall constitute a separate and distinct class of property for purposes of taxation and may further provide for reciprocal and proportionate taxation of livestock located in this state for only part of a year. Each actual property tax rate levied for a governmental subdivision shall be the same for all classes of taxed property and franchises. Taxes uniform as to class of property or the ownership or use thereof may be levied by valuation or otherwise upon classes of intangible property as the Legislature may determine, and such intangible property held in trust or otherwise for the purpose of funding pension, profit-sharing, or other employee benefit plans as defined by the Legislature may be declared exempt from taxation. Taxes other than property taxes may be authorized by law. Existing revenue laws shall continue in effect until changed by the Legislature.~~

VIII-14 (1) Beginning January 1, 2027, the maximum amount of any ad valorem tax on real property shall not exceed one and one-half percent of the full cash value of such property. Such tax shall be collected by the counties and apportioned as prescribed by the Legislature to the political subdivisions within the counties.

(2) The limitation provided for in subsection (1) of this section shall not apply to ad valorem taxes or special assessments to pay the interest and redemption charges on any of the following:

(a) Bonded indebtedness approved by the voters prior to January 1, 2027;

(b) Bonded indebtedness for the acquisition or improvement of real property approved on or after January 1, 2027, by two-thirds of the votes cast by the voters voting on the proposition; or

(c) Bonded indebtedness incurred by a school district or community college area for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school or community college facilities, including the furnishing and equipping of such facilities, or the acquisition or lease of real property for such facilities, approved on or after January 1, 2027, by fifty-five percent of the votes cast by the voters voting on the proposition. This subdivision shall apply only if the proposition approved by the voters and resulting in the bonded indebtedness includes all of the following accountability requirements:

(i) A requirement that the proceeds from the sale of the bonds be used only for the purposes specified in this subdivision;

(ii) A list of the specific school or community college facility projects to be funded and a requirement that the school board or community college board of governors conduct an annual independent performance audit to ensure that the funds have been expended only on the specific projects listed; and

(iii) A requirement that the school board or community college board of governors conduct an annual independent financial audit of the proceeds from the sale of the bonds until all of those proceeds have been expended for the applicable school or community college facility project.

(3)(a) For purposes of this section, full cash value means the county assessor's valuation of real property for 2027 or, thereafter, the appraised value of real property when purchased, when newly constructed, or when a change in ownership has occurred after the 2027 assessment.

(b) Full cash value shall be adjusted from year to year by the inflationary rate, not to exceed two percent for any given year, or the deflationary rate, if applicable, as shown in the consumer price index or comparable data for the area subject to taxation, and may also be reduced to reflect substantial damage, destruction, or other factors causing a decline in value.

(4) Subject to applicable procedures and definitions as provided by statute, an individual who is over fifty-five years of age, severely disabled, or a victim of a natural disaster may transfer the full cash value of the individual's primary residence to a replacement primary residence located in this state so long as the replacement primary residence:

(a) Is similar in size, utility, and function to the original primary residence;

(b) Has a fair market value that is comparable to the fair market value of the original primary residence; and

(c) Is purchased or newly constructed by such individual within two years after the sale of the original primary residence.

(5) For purposes of subsection (3) of this section, the term "newly constructed" does not include the construction, installation, removal, or modification of any portion or structural component of an existing building or structure if the construction, installation, removal, or modification is for the purpose of making the building more accessible to, or more usable by, a disabled person.

(6) For purposes of subsection (3) of this section, the term "change in ownership" does not include the acquisition of real property as a replacement for comparable property if the person acquiring the real property has been displaced from the property replaced by eminent domain proceedings, by acquisition by a public entity, or by governmental action that has resulted in a judgment of inverse condemnation. The real property acquired shall be deemed comparable to the property replaced if it is similar in size, utility, and function.

(7) For purposes of subsection (3) of this section, the terms "purchased" and "change in ownership" do not include the purchase or transfer of real property between spouses since January 1, 2027, including, but not limited to, all of the following:

(a) Transfers to a trustee for the beneficial use of a spouse, or the surviving spouse of a deceased transferor, or by a trustee of such a trust to the spouse of the trustor;

(b) Transfers to a spouse that take effect upon the death of a spouse;

(c) Transfers to a spouse or former spouse in connection with a property settlement agreement or decree of dissolution of a marriage or legal separation;

(d) The creation, transfer, or termination, solely between spouses, of any co-owner's interest; or

(e) The distribution of a legal entity's property to a spouse or former spouse in exchange for the interest of the spouse in the legal entity in connection with a property settlement agreement or a decree of dissolution of a marriage or legal separation.

(8)(a) The full cash value of qualified contaminated property may be transferred to a replacement property that is acquired or newly constructed as a replacement for the qualified contaminated property, if the replacement real property has a fair market value that is comparable to the fair market value of the qualified contaminated property if that property were not contaminated. This subdivision applies only to replacement property that is acquired or newly constructed within five years after ownership in the qualified contaminated property is sold or otherwise transferred.

(b) If the remediation of the environmental problems on qualified contaminated property requires the destruction of, or results in substantial damage to, a structure located on that property, the term "new construction" does not include the repair of a substantially damaged structure, or the construction of a structure replacing a destroyed structure on the qualified contaminated property, that is performed after the remediation of the environmental problems on that property, provided that the repaired or replacement structure is similar in size, utility, and function to the original structure.

(c) For purposes of this subsection, the term "qualified contaminated property" means residential or nonresidential real property that:

(i) In the case of residential real property, is rendered uninhabitable, and in the case of nonresidential real property, is rendered unusable, as the result of either environmental problems, in the nature of and including, but not limited to, the presence of toxic or hazardous materials, or the remediation of those environmental problems, except where the existence of the environmental problems was known to the owner, or to a related individual or entity as described in subdivision (8)(d) of this section, at the time the real property was acquired or constructed. For purposes of this subdivision, residential real property is uninhabitable if that property, as a result of health hazards caused by or associated with the environmental problems, is unfit for human habitation, and nonresidential real property is unusable if that property, as a result of health hazards caused by or associated with the environmental problems, is unhealthy and unsuitable for occupancy;

(ii) Is located on a site that has been designated as a toxic or environmental hazard or as an environmental cleanup site by an agency of the State of Nebraska or the federal government; and

(iii) Has not been rendered uninhabitable or unusable, as described in subdivision (8)(c)(i) of this section, by any act or omission in which an owner of that real property participated or acquiesced.

(d) It shall be rebuttably presumed that an owner of the real property participated or acquiesced in an act or omission that rendered the real property uninhabitable or unusable, as applicable, if that owner is related to any individual or entity that committed that act or omission in any of the following ways:

(i) Is a spouse, parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, or sibling of that individual;

(ii) Is a corporate parent, subsidiary, or affiliate of that entity;

(iii) Is an owner of, or has control of, that entity; or

(iv) Is owned or controlled by that entity.

(e) If the presumption in subdivision (8)(d) of this section is not overcome, the owner shall not receive the relief provided for in subdivision (8)(a) or (b) of this section. The presumption may be overcome by presentation of satisfactory evidence to the county assessor.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to impose a limit on ad valorem taxes for real property, provide a new method of valuing real property for tax purposes, provide certain exceptions, and eliminate conflicting constitutional provisions.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 13CA. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Lippincott, 34; Riepe, 12.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To add a new section 1C to Article VIII:

VIII-1C The state and any political subdivision thereof shall be prohibited from levying an inheritance tax.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to prohibit the levying of an inheritance tax by the state or any political subdivision thereof.

For

Against.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator Ballard name added to LB100.

Senator Conrad name added to LB101.
Senator Conrad name added to LB102.
Senator Conrad name added to LB104.
Senator Conrad name added to LB107.
Senator Conrad name added to LB12.
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Senator Conrad name added to LB75.
Senator Conrad name added to LB95.
Senator Conrad name added to LB99.
Senator DeKay name added to LB115.
Senator Fredrickson name added to LB168.
Senator Holdcroft name added to LB6.
Senator Murman name added to LB156.
Senator Raybould name added to LB103.
Senator Raybould name added to LB107.
Senator Raybould name added to LB108.
Senator Raybould name added to LB118.
Senator Raybould name added to LB120.
Senator Raybould name added to LB14.
Senator Raybould name added to LB28.
Senator Raybould name added to LB5.
Senator Raybould name added to LB53.
Senator Raybould name added to LB70.
Senator Raybould name added to LB71.
Senator Raybould name added to LB86.

VISITOR(S)

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

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:33 a.m., on a motion by Senator Wordekemper, the Legislature adjourned until 9:45 a.m., Wednesday, January 15, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

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PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator von Gillern.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Clements.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 9:45 a.m., President Kelly presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Bostar, J. Cavanaugh, Conrad, DeBoer, Dungan, Hardin, Hunt, and Raybould who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the fifth day was approved.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

LB/LR	Committee
LB58	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs (rereferred)
LB130	Appropriations
LB131	Revenue
LB132	Judiciary
LB133	Judiciary
LB134	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB135	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB136	Judiciary
LB137	Judiciary

LB138	Health and Human Services
LB139	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB140	Education
LB141	Judiciary
LB142	Education
LB143	Education
LB144	Business and Labor
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LB166	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB167	Natural Resources
LB168	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
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LB174	Judiciary
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LB176	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB177	General Affairs
LB178	General Affairs
LB179	Nebraska Retirement Systems
LB180	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB181	Health and Human Services
LB182	Revenue
LB183	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB184	Judiciary
LB185	Judiciary
LB186	General Affairs

LB187 Banking, Commerce and Insurance
 LB188 Appropriations
 LB189 Business and Labor
 LB190 Executive Board
 LB191 Transportation and Telecommunications
 LB192 Health and Human Services
 LB193 Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
 LB194 Revenue
 LR10CA Revenue
 LR11CA Revenue

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
 Executive Board

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Education
 Room 1525 1:30 PM

Monday, January 27, 2025

Connie Edmond - Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges
 Robert Engles - Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges

(Signed) Dave Murman, Chairperson

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Transportation and Telecommunications Committee elected Senator Ballard as Vice Chairperson.

The Banking, Commerce and Insurance Committee elected Senator Hallstrom as Vice Chairperson.

RESOLUTION(S)

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 5(b), LR 1 was adopted.

PRESIDENT SIGNED

While the Legislature was in session and capable of transacting business, the PRESIDENT signed the following: LR 1.

MOTION - Escort Governor

Senator Ibach moved that a committee of five be appointed to escort the Governor of the State of Nebraska to the Legislative Chamber to deliver his State of the State Address.

The motion prevailed.

The Chair appointed Senators Armendariz, Ballard, Conrad, DeBoer, and Hughes to serve on said committee.

STATE OF THE STATE ADDRESS

President Kelly, Speaker Arch, members of the 109th Legislature, tribal leaders, fellow Nebraskans.

What a time of promise and opportunity for our state and nation. What a tremendous moment for those of us who have been blessed with the privilege to serve our fellow citizens in public office. I am as grateful today for that privilege as I was when I stood in this chamber just over two years ago and swore to uphold our Constitution—and I am more invigorated than ever before.

I recently had a very real reminder of the preciousness of each moment. For the many Nebraskans whose livelihood depends on their stewardship of powerful animals, respect for that power is no mystery. I dropped my guard, and I was humbled by a reminder of that power. I am here before you today only by God's grace. But a life-GIVING moment like the one I experienced can have the effect of clarifying one's sense of mission. It reminds one of how delicate life is, and to make the most of every moment one is given. I'm grateful that almighty God has given me a second shot, and I continue on the road to recovery, instilled with a renewed commitment to spending my days fighting for the people of this state and, most importantly, making a positive difference. I am grateful beyond words to my wife and our First Lady, Suzanne, for her constant love and care. And I am grateful for the outpouring of support from so many Nebraskans, and I am especially grateful for the power of their prayers and for sending me the gift of the holy spirit. Thank you.

Okay, no more horsing around.

To all of the public servants in this room—and especially to our new senators and their families—thank you for answering the call to public life and for taking on the burdens and sacrifices of service. The road ahead is full of long days and late nights, of time away from loved ones, and of sometimes trying debates and disagreements. But with it comes the daily opportunity to leave the greatest place in the world even better than we found it for our kids and grand babies. If we keep their futures and the betterment of this state as our north star—and set our own personal political fortunes aside—there is no limit to what we can achieve here. I am excited to partner with both the veterans and the new arrivals to this Legislature. And, I assure you, every moment will be worth it.

I am pleased to report that the state of our state is extraordinarily strong. Our unemployment rate is among the lowest in America. Our state's population is growing faster than it has in decades, and our population has now topped two million people. The engines of our economy are powering

that growth—from our agricultural backbone to our powerhouse financial services and manufacturing sectors. Our state government is smaller, more efficient, and more productive. And, at long last, the tax burden on our citizens to pay for that government is less than it was two years ago. Our natural resources are plentiful, our people are the hardest-working of anywhere on earth, and it will soon be morning again in America with the return of a presidency and congress committed to making this nation prosperous, secure, strong, and healthy again. But even with these strengths, this legislative session affords us tremendous opportunities to take further steps forward.

Simply put, the work of making Nebraska a low-tax state is far from over. We should remember how we got here and why our tax system is so out of whack. In the past, during a deflationary period, city, county, and state government in Nebraska grew at an excessive rate. There was little fiscal restraint—and the result was bloated government growing unchecked on the backs of its people. The burden is upon US to correct it NOW. And to make Nebraska competitive with our neighbors, we must set the example at the state level. Despite dire warnings of budget shortfalls, I have presented a budget that SHRINKS state spending by half a percent over the next biennium. In fact, if you set aside increased and unreimbursed Medicaid spending required by the federal government, State spending in this budget is REDUCED by 2.3 percent. Even as we make a multigenerational investment in the University of Nebraska Medical Center, and significantly increase our state commitment to supporting the mission of Offutt Air Force Base and U.S. Strategic Command, we have presented to you a fully balanced budget that CUTS spending. We have achieved this historic spending restraint by having the courage to say no, and to focus on needs, not wants, and we will continue to have that courage.

Not all are happy when we work to fix the tax system. But as my dad used to tell us on the farm: what does happy have to do with it? We have work to do. Our job as public servants is not to make everyone happy—much less any one industry or special interest group. Our job is to focus on schools, public safety, roads, and critical services—the NEEDS of Nebraskans and nothing else.

This year we will prioritize improvements to Nebraska's school funding system. TEEOSA—Nebraska's thirty-year-old formula for school funding—remains broken, burdening local communities and property tax payers in districts with limited resources and shortchanging our kids. It would shock most Nebraskans to hear that 25 years ago, 226 school districts received state aid—by 2024, that number had shrunk to 60. That was not the intent with the original law. We are going to have the courage to make serious and lasting fixes to this system. I will establish a blue-ribbon commission of experts to cut through the bureaucracy and vested special interests in our current school funding system and recommend a new model for Nebraska, which THIS Legislature will be able to consider and adopt. And along with other technical changes to strengthen TEEOSA, Senator Hughes is

championing a bill that will honor the state's constitutional obligation to fund K-12 education by increasing the foundation aid per student across the state, consistent with the principle that school funding should ALWAYS follow the student, not the system.

Although you wouldn't always know it reading the papers, last year did result in real wins for Nebraskans struggling with our spiraling property tax crisis. After years in which only some Nebraska homeowners took advantage of property tax credits, now ALL homeowners receive this relief. For the first time in a generation, Nebraskans opened their property tax statements last month to find the amount they owed was LOWER than the year before. Like many of you, I have been overwhelmed by the gratitude shown by so many Nebraskans for this relief. For the first time EVER, the amount of property taxes local governments can collect will be capped, with commonsense flexibility to allow investments in public safety, police, and firefighters. But the work is not done, and we must do more this year. There are leaders in this body like Senator Clements who continue the fight to eliminate Nebraska's death tax. By making commonsense adjustments to our tax code and making it more competitive with other states, we will invest two hundred million MORE dollars into Nebraska's property tax credit fund. From Harrison to Omaha, Nebraskans of all stripes have recognized how out of whack our property taxes have become and what a burden they put on families, communities, and our ability to grow. They expect us to continue to work to solve it—and we WILL.

To shrink government we must eliminate its obsolete parts and clean out its closets. Over the years, we have created far too many boards and commissions. Many have missions duplicative of those of other government agencies, or which have grown outdated over time. All add regulatory power or more government where none is needed. Especially at a time when we must tighten our belt and treat every nickel like manhole covers, we must continually assess which parts of government are still of use to the people. The clock ran out on these efforts last session, but we must right size our boards and commissions with a commonsense, bipartisan bill that will eliminate or consolidate dozens of them. Speaker Arch has reintroduced a bill that will do just that. I am grateful for his leadership on this important issue and I look forward to signing it into law.

We have an opportunity to consolidate and streamline two of our major code agencies, as well. Water is the lifeblood of Nebraska, and what we do to protect our QUANTITY and improve our QUALITY of water will be our legacy. Through both our vast system of surface waterways and our treasured Ogallala Aquifer—we have a natural hedge against drought and therefore a God-given foundation for our agricultural and industrial economy in the toughest of times. State government bifurcates its management of this resource through two separate departments—of Environment and Energy and of Natural Resources. By doing so, we needlessly divide our focus on water quality and quantity. Given the interrelatedness of these two things, this makes no sense. Further, it places

Nebraska out of step and uncompetitive with the majority of our fellow states. For our most treasured resource to remain the envy of North America for the next seven generations, a new model of stewardship is needed. I am grateful to Senator Brandt for carrying an important measure that will combine DEE and DNR and establish the new combined Department of Water, Energy, and Environment. It will save costs, eliminate duplicative overhead, and streamline the mission of stewarding and protecting our natural resources and environment, and enhance collaboration, as well. We have begun the work of consolidating all of the important work of these two agencies under unified leadership, and I look forward to working with you to carry that work to its completion.

Now more than ever, it is vital that our state speaks with a unified voice on the national stage. For three decades, under our current allocation of electoral college votes by congressional district, we have divided our voice and diminished our impact in presidential elections. Not one of our fellow states except one has followed us down this path. Now is the time to fix it, and I thank Senator Lippincott for his leadership in giving it the priority it deserves. With no presidential election right around the corner, there is no better time to dispassionately deliver on the will of a majority of the people of this state, honor our constitutional founding, and unify our voice in our most important exercise of national democracy. I call on this body to end this thirty year experiment and pass winner take all THIS legislative session.

In the modern world, it can be extremely difficult to protect our kids and culture from the harmful effects of ever-present social media, online bullying, and attacks on our values. Every parent knows firsthand the worry of what their kids are being exposed to online and on screens. Here in Nebraska, we are going to level the playing field between parents and Big Tech giants. I am grateful to Senators Sanders, Hardin, Bosn, and Storer for introducing a package of bills to protect children from the harms of social media, ban phones in classrooms, and fix our child pornography laws to include AI-generated images. We protect kids from tobacco, alcohol, tattoos under certain ages, and even restrict the age when kids can work—there's no reason why we should not protect their mental health from the damage caused by social media, too.

We must protect our kids—and especially our daughters and granddaughters—in other ways, too. In a world where common sense has become uncommon, it remains our north star here in Nebraska. It's hard to understand, a small minority believe it is acceptable to allow biological boys to share bathrooms, locker rooms, and playing fields with girls. This is unfair, unconscionable, and a recipe for predatory behavior. Senator Kauth has brought back a new and improved Stand With Women Act, which will make sure that women's spaces are protected FOR women. I don't want my granddaughters—or ANYONE'S daughters and granddaughters, for that matter, sharing a locker room with boys, and I know the overwhelming majority of Nebraskans agree. Pass the Stand With Women Act to my desk so we can protect common sense here in Nebraska.

Last, but absolutely not least, we must take steps to protect both our farmers and producers AND the consumers of the food our state produces. I'm grateful to Senator Jacobson for his work to protect farmers' data from being taken advantage of by large corporate and big data interests. We have another opportunity to protect both our consumers and our agricultural producers in a single step. The big food industry wants to flood our supermarket shelves with deceptively-named products that purport to be "meat" on par with what our ranchers, feeders, and farmers produce throughout Nebraska. But in reality, this stuff is made in bio-reactors, and is a masquerade of the original, with unreliable protein, unknowable ingredients, and a flat-out dishonest label on the front. The backers of these products are cut from the same cloth as the anti-farmer activists who want to put our agriculture producers out of business, and we need to recognize them as such. I will never stop fighting for Nebraska's farmers and ranchers, and I stand with Senator DeKay, who has introduced a strong bill to "beef up" our consumer protections and false labeling laws to eliminate these dishonest products from Nebraska's grocery shelves.

Last year, Nebraskans experienced countless examples of public service in its purest form. 2024 was a year when we felt mother nature's wrath time after time. Record blizzards, raging wildfires, torrential floods, and vicious tornadoes set the stage for a record ELEVEN declared emergencies throughout the year. Many Nebraskans experienced the worst day of their lives, with homes destroyed, families in peril, and futures uncertain. But in the darkest moments, the people of our state were at their best. Nebraskans helped Nebraskans, and the strength and resilience of our people shone through. One of the greatest privileges of the work as your Governor is to get to know firsthand the men and women who have answered the call to be the first to respond when crisis strikes. With us today is Chris Potter, the chief of the Kennard Volunteer Fire Department from Washington County, whose fire and EMS responders were there for their community moments after a deadly tornado tore through it. Please join me in welcoming him as a representative of all of our first responders across Nebraska. Also with us is the entire Nebraska Emergency Management Agency team. These dedicated professionals are the hub of the wheel of our state's emergency response system. When the call comes in the middle of the night, they are the ones making it. Their work is often unseen and unknown to many Nebraskans, but that in no way diminishes the dedication of their work or the pride with which they do it. Join me in welcoming the NEMA team, honoring them, and thanking them.

Many important issues will consume our focus throughout this legislative session. I pledge to you that we will be your partner through it all. Thank you for your service to our state, and thank you to your families. God bless you and God bless the State of Nebraska.

The committee escorted Governor Pillen from the Chamber.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 259. Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Andersen, 49; Ballard, 21; Clements, 2; DeKay, 40; Hallstrom, 1; Hansen, 16; Hardin, 48; Holdcroft, 36; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Meyer, 17; Moser, 22; Murman, 38; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Constitution of the United States; to adopt the Faithful Delegate to Federal Article V Convention Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 260. Introduced by Speaker Arch, 14; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to amend section 90-562, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; Laws 2023, LB814, section 150; Laws 2024, LB1329A, section 6; and Laws 2024, LB1412, sections 53 and 69; to define terms; to provide, change, and eliminate appropriations for operation of state government; to change a transfer of funds; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 261. Introduced by Speaker Arch, 14; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent; to define terms; to make appropriations for the expenses of Nebraska State Government for the biennium ending June 30, 2027; to appropriate funds allocated to the State of Nebraska from the federal Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, 42 U.S.C. 802, as amended; to appropriate funds for capital construction and property acquisition as prescribed; to require program statements and a request for funding; to transfer funds; to provide duties; to provide an operative date; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 262. Introduced by Speaker Arch, 14; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds for the payment of salaries of members of the Nebraska Legislature and payments to be made as provided by Chapter 68, article 6, for FY2025-26 and FY2026-27; to provide an operative date; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 263. Introduced by Speaker Arch, 14; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds for the payment of the salaries and benefits of certain state officers for FY2025-26 and FY2026-27; to define terms; to provide an operative date; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 264. Introduced by Speaker Arch, 14; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend sections 43-2607, 48-3405, 50-501, 57-1411, 72-2401, 76-3219, 77-2911, 77-4310.03, 79-810, 79-1021, 79-1064, 79-1104.02, 79-2510, 79-3501, 81-302, 81-407, 81-1210.04, 81-1211, 81-1213.02, 81-1216, 81-1230, 81-12,176, 81-12,177, 81-12,178, 81-12,182, 81-12,185, 81-12,187, 81-12,193, 81-12,243, 81-12,245, 81-15,168, 81-15,174, 81-15,175, 82-139, 84-612, 85-1643, 85-1654, 85-1920, 85-2009, 86-324, 86-333, 86-1028, and 86-1403, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 8-604, 13-3315, 29-1823, 37-1804, 48-621, 55-901, 60-3,201.01, 60-1505, 60-1513, 61-218, 61-305, 61-405, 66-2308, 68-911, 68-996, 71-5328, 72-1001, 75-109.01, 75-1101, 77-4025, 77-6919, 77-6928, and 77-7304, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for, change, and eliminate provisions relating to investment and transfers of funds; to change provisions of the Nebraska Environmental Trust Act and the Nebraska Transformational Projects Act; to provide for termination of applicability of the Urban Redevelopment Act; to eliminate provisions relating to translation services under the Medical Assistance Act, a pilot program regarding patients with complex health needs, and reimbursement of counties for defendants lodged in county jails; to eliminate the Nebraska Broadband Bridge Act, the Nebraska Geologic Storage of Carbon Dioxide Act, the Nebraska Nonprofit Security Grant Program Act, the Prescription Drug Donation Program Act, the Resilient Soils and Water Quality Act, and the Small Business Assistance Act; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; to outright repeal sections 2-405, 2-406, 2-407, 2-408, 2-409, 2-410, 57-1601, 57-1602, 57-1603, 57-1604, 57-1605, 57-1606, 57-1607, 57-1608, 57-1609, 57-1610, 57-1611, 57-1612, 57-1613, 57-1614, 57-1615, 57-1616, 57-1617, 57-1618, 57-1619, 57-1620, 57-1621, 57-1622, 57-1623, 57-1624, 68-1010, 71-2496, 71-2497, 71-2498, 71-2499, 71-24,100, 71-24,101, 71-24,102, 81-829.06, 81-829.07, 81-829.08, 81-829.09, 81-829.10, 81-829.11, 81-12,232, 81-12,233, 81-12,234, 81-12,235, 81-12,236, 81-12,237, 81-12,244, 84-622, 86-1301, 86-1302, 86-1303, 86-1304, 86-1305, 86-1306, 86-1307, 86-1308, 86-1309, 86-1310, 86-1311, 86-1312, and 86-1313, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 265. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to amend sections 48-602, 48-648, 48-649.01, 48-657, 48-3405, 81-407, and 81-1201.21, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 48-622.01, 48-622.02, and 48-649.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate certain funds and change certain references to funds; to change provisions relating to the state unemployment insurance tax rate and the Workforce Development Program Cash Fund; to eliminate the Nebraska Worker Training Board; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original

sections; to outright repeal section 48-622.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 266. Introduced by Dover, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to local governments; to prohibit ordinances which have the effect of imposing rent controls on private property; to define terms; to provide limits on such ordinances; and to provide applicability.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 267. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act; to amend section 76-1401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for removal of a cotenant or occupant who has committed an act of domestic violence from a rental agreement; to provide powers and duties for landlords; to provide for court costs and attorney's fees; to require a landlord to change locks in cases of domestic violence as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Judiciary
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 22, 2025
LB5 (cancel)

Judiciary
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 22, 2025
LB133

(Signed) Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

Natural Resources
Room 1023 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 22, 2025
LB20
LB35
LB43

(Signed) Tom Brandt, Chairperson

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 268. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to implement a provider rate increase as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 269. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-27,143, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to mandate an address-based boundary database for assigning taxing jurisdictions; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 270. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2711, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for an audit by the Auditor of Public Accounts for suspected tax reporting irregularities or discrepancies; to create an exception to the disclosure of confidential tax information by municipalities; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 271. Introduced by Storer, 43; Bosn, 25; Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit interference with railroad infrastructure, equipment, and personnel as prescribed; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Revenue
Room 1524 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

LB194

LB78

LB8

(Signed) R. Brad von Gillern, Chairperson

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 272. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to homestead exemptions for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 273. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to decedents' estates; to amend section 30-3417, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change powers and duties relating to attorneys in fact; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 274. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to child care licensing; to amend section 71-1913, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 71-1911.03 and 71-1912, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change liability insurance coverage requirements for applicants under the Child Care Licensing Act; to provide for inspections and investigations as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 275. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to state wards; to amend section 43-907, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to screen children under its charge for social security benefit eligibility; to require the department to manage social security benefit payments for child beneficiaries as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 276. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to law enforcement; to amend sections 29-411, 81-1414.15, and 81-1414.19, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Municipal Police Oversight Act; to require city and county attorneys and the Attorney General to maintain public Brady and Giglio lists; to prohibit no-knock search and arrest warrants; to define a term; to change provisions relating to law enforcement officer records; to harmonize provisions; to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 277. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to grand juries; to amend section 29-1401, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require appointment of a special prosecutor in cases involving a death during apprehension by, or in the custody of, law enforcement; to require appointment of investigators as prescribed; to require that a law enforcement officer or detention personnel involved in the death not return to duty until grand jury proceedings are complete; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 278. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to amend section 44-4109.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements for certain insurance policies and contracts; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 279. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Motor Vehicle Registration Act; to amend section 60-399, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 60-3,100, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for only one license plate to be required to be displayed on a motor vehicle; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 280. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to gaming; to amend sections 9-1202, 9-1205, 9-1206, and 9-1207, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 2-1202 and 9-1107, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the authorized uses of the Racing and Gaming Commission's Racetrack Gaming Fund; to require an authorized gaming operator to have an annual audit as prescribed; to require reports; to provide powers and duties for the Auditor of Public Accounts to review the audit report of an authorized gaming operator and examine the books, records, funds, and accounts of authorized gaming operators as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 281. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to nursing; to amend sections 38-204, 38-605, 38-703, 38-904, 38-2213, 38-2214, and 38-2306, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 38-167 and 38-2216, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate and rename certain boards as prescribed; to change requirements and qualifications for members of the Board of Nursing; to eliminate qualifications and duties for the Board of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 38-205, 38-206, and 38-2307, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 282. Introduced by Prokop, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to allow a teacher employed at an approved or accredited public, private, denominational, or parochial school in this state to receive reimbursement for school supplies paid for by such teacher as prescribed; to provide powers and duties to the State Board of Education and the State Department of Education; and to declare an emergency.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)
Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Room 1507 1:30 PM

Wednesday, January 22, 2025

LB126

LB135

LB58

Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Room 1507 1:30 PM

Friday, January 24, 2025

Daryl Bohac - Nebraska State Historical Society

Lee Will - Department of Administrative Services

Michael R Gloor - Nebraska Accountability and Disclosure Commission

Kevin Workman - State Personnel Board

(Signed) Rita Sanders, Chairperson

BILLS ON FIRST READING

LEGISLATIVE BILL 283. Introduced by Spivey, 13; Cavanaugh, M., 6; Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to file state plan amendments as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 284. Introduced by Guereca, 7.

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 285. Introduced by Lonowski, 33; Andersen, 49; McKeon, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to electronic nicotine delivery systems; to amend sections 28-1418.01, 28-1425, 28-1429, 59-1523, and 77-4001, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit the sale or certification under the Tobacco Products Tax Act of flavored vapor products; to define terms; to provide a penalty; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 286. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to economic development; to amend sections 81-12,110 and 81-12,208, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide an application deadline under the Nebraska Innovation Hub Act; to change an application deadline under the Nebraska Rural Projects Act; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 287. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Housing Agency Act; to amend section 71-1572, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide duties for certain housing agencies relating to bed bugs; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 288. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Middle Income Workforce Housing Investment Act; to amend sections 81-1237 and 81-1238, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine terms; to change provisions relating to grant funding considerations; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 289. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to cities and villages; to amend sections 17-201, 17-202, and 19-911, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 18-2709, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the incorporation of a village and the number, election, and term of members on a village board of trustees; to provide a procedure for changing the number of members on a village board of trustees; to allow certain city councils to constitute a board of adjustment; to redefine qualifying business under the Local Option Municipal Economic Development Act; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 290. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Economic Recovery Act; to amend section 81-12,241, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to grant funding for a business park; and to repeal the original section.

MOTION(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Conrad filed the following motions to LB258:

MO7

Indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

MO8

Recommit to the Business and Labor Committee.

MO9

Bracket until June 9, 2025.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 291. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to municipalities; to amend section 13-522, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 13-518, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Aid to Municipalities Act; to create a fund; to change provisions relating to budget limitations; to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 292. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to prefabricated housing; to amend section 81-1239, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for a grant to study prefabricated housing; to provide for funding; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 293. Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Professional Employer Organization Registration Act; to amend section 48-2708, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 48-2706, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to health benefit plans and employee welfare benefit plans; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 294. Introduced by Storer, 43; Brandt, 32; DeKay, 40; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Strommen, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the County Visitors Improvement Fund; to amend section 81-3720, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change

provisions relating to grants; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 295. Introduced by Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee: Ballard, 21, Chairperson; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Juarez, 5; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to relating to retirement; to amend sections 23-2320, 42-1102, 79-902, 79-904.01, 79-915, 79-956, 79-978, 79-9,103, 79-9,106, 79-9,117, 79-9,118, 81-2014, 81-2016, 81-2017, 84-1301, 84-1307, 84-1322, 84-1502, 84-1504, and 84-1511, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 23-2301, 23-2306, 24-701, and 24-703.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine terms and change provisions relating to termination, documents used to demonstrate United States citizenship or lawful presence in the United States, repayment of gross distributions or benefits, cost-of-living adjustments, deadlines for filing forms relating to survivorship annuities, and employee leave for preretirement planning programs under the County Employees Retirement Act, the Judges Retirement Act, the School Employees Retirement Act, the Class V School Employees Retirement Act, the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act, and the State Employees Retirement Act; to change a definition in the Spousal Pension Rights Act; to restate legislative intent under the Nebraska State Patrol Retirement Act; to change provisions relating to calling meetings of the Public Employees Retirement Board and paying per diems and expenses for members of the Public Employees Retirement Board; to change provisions relating to demonstrating United States citizenship or lawful presence in the United States for participation in a deferred compensation plan; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 296. Introduced by Arch, 14.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend sections 79-303.01, 79-729, and 79-1054, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to require the State Department of Education to create a centralized education records system for students under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court and employ registrars as prescribed; to provide powers and duties to the Commissioner of Education related to issuing high school diplomas to students under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court as prescribed; to change provisions related to graduation requirements; to change provisions relating to the improvement grant program established by the State Board of Education and the authorized uses of the State Department of Education Improvement Grant Fund; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 297. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Employment Security Law; to amend section 48-649.03, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the combined tax rate; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 298. Introduced by Arch, 14; Clements, 2; Hansen, 16; Holdcroft, 36; Jacobson, 42; Riepe, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislature; to amend sections 28-711, 43-4302, 43-4303, 43-4317, 43-4320, 43-4321, 43-4322, 43-4324, 43-4326, 43-4329, 43-4330, 47-901, 47-902, 47-903, 47-904, 47-905, 47-907, 47-908, 47-909, 47-910, 47-911, 47-912, 47-913, 47-914, 47-915, 47-916, 47-917, 47-918, 47-919, 47-920, 50-406, 50-406.01, 50-407, 50-408, 50-409, 50-410, 50-416, 50-418, 50-420, 50-1201, 50-1202, 50-1203, 50-1204, 50-1205, 50-1205.01, 50-1206, 50-1210, 50-1211, 50-1212, 50-1303, 50-1304, 73-401, 81-8,240, 81-8,241, 81-8,242, 81-8,243, 81-8,244, 81-8,245, 81-8,246, 81-8,247, 81-8,248, 81-8,249, 81-8,250, 81-8,251, 81-8,252, 81-8,253, 81-8,254, 81-1114, 83-178, 83-1,125.01, 84-304, 84-311, 84-322, and 84-910, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 28-712.01, 29-2011.02, 29-2011.03, 43-2,108, 43-4301, 43-4318, 43-4323, 43-4325, 43-4327, 43-4328, 43-4331, 43-4332, 50-401.01, 50-402, 77-2711, and 77-27,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to name the Office of Public Counsel Act; to change provisions relating to the Public Counsel; to provide for confidentiality of certain information; to provide for subpoenas; to state legislative intent; to provide for the Division of Legislative Oversight, the Director of Legislative Oversight, and the Legislative Oversight Committee; to change the Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare Act and the Office of Inspector General of the Nebraska Correctional System Act as prescribed; to transfer provisions; to provide penalties; to change provisions relating to the Legislative Council, the Legislative Research Office, the Legislative Fiscal Office, and the Legislative Audit Office; to change the Legislative Performance Audit Act as prescribed; to eliminate the Legislative Performance Audit Committee; to harmonize provisions; to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; to repeal the original sections; to outright repeal sections 43-4304, 43-4304.01, 43-4304.02, 43-4305, 43-4306, 43-4306.01, 43-4307, 43-4307.01, 43-4308, 43-4309, 43-4310, 43-4311, 43-4312, 43-4313, 43-4314, 43-4315, 43-4316, 43-4319, 47-906, and 50-421, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 299. Introduced by Ibach, 44; Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to immigration; to amend sections 4-109, 4-110, 4-113, 48-628.04, 79-915, 79-9,118, 81-2016, 84-1307, and 84-1504, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 4-108, 4-111, 4-112, 23-2306, and 24-703.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define terms; to authorize eligible aliens and dependents to receive public benefits arising from or relating to employment; to allow such persons to participate in certain retirement programs; to change provisions relating to certain documentation; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 300. Introduced by Murman, 38; Ballard, 21; Clements, 2; Conrad, 46; Dorn, 30; Holdcroft, 36; Hunt, 8; Jacobson, 42; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend sections 79-566, 79-567, 79-594, 79-1219, 79-2401, and 79-2402, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the Superintendent Pay Transparency Act; to change provisions relating to and provide a limit for superintendent and educational service unit administrator compensation; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 301. Introduced by Ibach, 44; Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to immigration; to amend sections 4-109, 4-110, 4-113, 48-628.04, 79-915, 79-9,118, 81-1401, 81-1410, 81-2016, 84-1307, and 84-1504, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 4-108, 4-111, 4-112, 23-2306, and 24-703.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define terms; to allow eligible aliens to receive law enforcement officer training and certification; to authorize such eligible aliens and dependents to receive public benefits arising from or relating to employment as a law enforcement officer; to allow such persons to participate in retirement programs for such law enforcement positions; to change provisions relating to certain documentation; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 302. Introduced by Murman, 38; Ballard, 21; Conrad, 46; Hunt, 8; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Rountree, 3; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to time; to amend sections 49-1301, 49-1302, 81-1323, and 81-1328, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 32-908, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate daylight saving time; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 303. Introduced by Hughes, 24; at the request of the Governor; Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend sections 79-1001, 79-1006, 79-1022, 79-1022.02, 79-1023, 79-1027, and 79-1031.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 77-3442, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change school district levy authority; to change provisions relating to foundation aid and certain certification dates and provide for a base levy adjustment under the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act; to create the School Finance Reform Commission; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 304. Introduced by DeBoer, 10; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Dungan, 26; Fredrickson, 20; Hallstrom, 1; Quick, 35; Spivey, 13; Strommen, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the federal Child Care Subsidy program; to amend sections 68-1206 and 68-1724, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate a sunset date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 305. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2715.07, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Preceptorship Tax Credit Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 306. Introduced by Education Committee: Murman, 38, Chairperson; Conrad, 46; Hunt, 8; Juarez, 5; Lonowski, 33; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to postsecondary education; to amend sections 85-304, 85-1402, 85-3003, 85-3004, 85-3006, and 85-3202, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 13-518, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine a term relating to budget limitation for community colleges; to change provisions relating to the powers and duties of the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges; to redefine terms under the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Act; to change provisions relating to scholarships to a state college, private college, or the University of Nebraska under the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act; to redefine terms under the Door to College Scholarship Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 307. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds for certain tuition waivers; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 308. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to health care; to amend section 81-401, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Health Care Staffing Agency Registration Act; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 309. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to batteries; to adopt the Safe Battery Collection and Recycling Act; to provide penalties; and to create a fund.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 310. Introduced by Hansen, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend section 71-519, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide an exemption from newborn screening as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 311. Introduced by DeBoer, 10.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Telecommunications Regulation Act; to amend sections 86-111.01 and 86-124, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; to change provisions relating to nonregulated activities; and to repeal the original sections.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 14. Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Andersen, 49; Ballard, 21; Clements, 2; DeKay, 40; Hallstrom, 1; Hansen, 16; Hardin, 48; Holderoft, 36; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Meyer, 17; Moser, 22; Murman, 38; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39.

WHEREAS, the Founders of the Constitution of the United States empowered state legislators to be guardians of liberty against future abuses of power by the federal government; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has created a crushing national debt through improper and imprudent spending; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has invaded the legitimate roles of the states through the manipulative process of federal mandates, most of which are unfunded to a great extent; and

WHEREAS, the federal government has ceased to live under a proper interpretation of the Constitution of the United States; and

WHEREAS, it is the solemn duty of the states to protect the liberty of our people, particularly for the generations to come, to propose amendments to the Constitution of the United States through a convention of states under Article V to place clear restraints on these and related abuses of power; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 the One Hundred Seventh Legislature, Second Session, adopted Legislative Resolution 14 which contained an application for an Article V Convention to propose constitutional amendments identical to those proposed in this resolution, but provided that the application would be rescinded on February 1, 2027, five years after the passage of Legislative Resolution 14.

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

1. That the Legislature hereby applies to Congress, under the provisions of Article V of the Constitution of the United States, for the calling of a convention of states limited to proposing amendments to the Constitution that impose fiscal restraints on the federal government, limit the power and jurisdiction of the federal government, and limit the terms of office for its officials and members of Congress.

2. That the Legislature adopts this application with the following understandings, reservations, and declarations:

(a) An application to Congress for an Article V convention confers no power on Congress other than to perform a ministerial function to call for a convention;

(b) Such ministerial duty shall be performed by Congress only when Article V applications for substantially the same purpose are received from two-thirds of the legislatures of the several states;

(c) The power of Congress to call a convention solely consists of the authority to name a reasonable time and place for the initial meeting of the convention;

(d) Congress possesses no power whatsoever to name delegates to the convention, as this power remains exclusively within the authority of the legislatures of the several states;

(e) Congress possesses no power to set the number of delegates to be sent by any of the states;

(f) Congress possesses no power whatsoever to determine any rules for such convention;

(g) By definition, a convention of states means that states vote on the basis of one state, one vote;

(h) A convention of states convened pursuant to this application is limited to consideration of topics specified in this resolution and no other;

(i) The Legislature may recall its delegates at any time for breach of their duties or violations of their instructions pursuant to the procedures adopted in this resolution;

(j) Pursuant to the text of Article V, Congress may determine whether proposed amendments shall be ratified by the legislatures of the several states or by special state ratification conventions. The Legislature recommends that Congress specify its choice on ratification methodology contemporaneously with the call for the convention;

(k) Congress possesses no power whatsoever with regard to the Article V convention beyond the two powers acknowledged in this resolution; and

(l) Nebraska places express reliance on prior legal and judicial determinations that Congress possesses no power under Article I of the Constitution relative to the Article V process, and that Congress must act only as expressly specified in Article V.

3. That this application hereby repeals, rescinds, cancels, renders null and void, and supersedes the application to the Congress for a convention under Article V of the Constitution of the United States by this state in Legislative Resolution 14 as adopted by the One Hundred Seventh Legislature of Nebraska, Second Session, in 2022.

4. That the Clerk of the Legislature shall transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, each member of the Nebraska Congressional delegation, and the presiding officers of each of the legislative houses in the several states requesting their cooperation.

5. This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until the legislatures of at least two-thirds of the several states have made applications to Congress for an Article V convention on the same subject.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 15CA. Introduced by McKinney, 11.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article I, sections 9 and 23:

I-9 (1) All persons shall be bailable by sufficient sureties, except for treason, sexual offenses involving penetration by force or against the will of the victim, and murder, where the proof is evident or the presumption great.

(2) Excessive bail shall not be required, nor excessive fines imposed, nor cruel and unusual punishment inflicted.

(3) The death penalty shall not be imposed for any offense. For any individual under a sentence of death, whether before, on, or after the adoption of this amendment, such sentence is commuted to a sentence of life imprisonment.

~~I-23 In all capital cases, appeal directly to the Supreme Court shall be as a matter of right and shall operate as a supersedeas to stay the execution of the sentence of death until further order of the Supreme Court. In all other cases, criminal or civil, an aggrieved party shall be entitled to one appeal to the appellate court created pursuant to Article V, section 1, of this Constitution or to the Supreme Court as may be provided by law.~~

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to eliminate the death penalty and commute any existing sentence of death to a sentence of life imprisonment.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 16CA. Introduced by Urban Affairs Committee: McKinney, 11, Chairperson; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Sorrentino, 39.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article III, section 22:

III-22 (1) Each Legislature shall make appropriations for the expenses of the Government. And whenever it is deemed necessary to make further appropriations for deficiencies, the same shall require a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the Legislature.

(2) Bills making appropriations for the pay of members and officers of the Legislature, and for the salaries of the officers of the Government, shall contain no provision on any other subject.

(3) The Legislature shall not impose responsibility for a program created after the year 2026 or an increased level of service required under an existing program after the year 2026 on any political subdivision of the state unless the political subdivision is fully reimbursed by the state for the cost of such program or increase in level of service. Reimbursement by the state shall be in the form of a specific appropriation or an increase in state distribution of revenue to such political subdivision.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to require the state to reimburse political subdivisions for responsibilities imposed by the Legislature after the year 2026 or for increased levels of service required by the Legislature after the year 2026.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 17. Introduced by Quick, 35.

WHEREAS, the city of Grand Island currently owns Camp Augustine, a 156-acre campground formerly owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America and located adjacent to Mormon Island State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, the Game and Parks Commission has indicated an interest in a potential partnership with the city of Grand Island to incorporate Camp Augustine into the state park system to be managed in conjunction with or as part of Mormon Island State Recreation Area; and

WHEREAS, before the Game and Parks Commission may provide a local governmental subdivision with an indication of intent to incorporate any land or facilities owned or developed by such subdivision into the state park system, such indication of intent must first be approved by the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Game and Parks Commission will provide the Legislature with an estimated fiscal impact of the incorporation, including the extent to which the costs of the incorporation can reasonably be expected to be paid from cash funds and the extent to which the costs will likely be required to be paid from General Fund appropriations; and

WHEREAS, incorporating Camp Augustine into the state park system, either in conjunction with or as part of Mormon Island State Recreation Area, will create significant benefits for the Grand Island area and the people of Nebraska, including expanded hiking and biking trails, river access, and campgrounds and the ability to host local, regional, and statewide outdoor events.

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

1. That pursuant to section 37-342 the Legislature approves the indication of intent by the Game and Parks Commission to incorporate Camp Augustine into the state park system.

2. That such approval is granted with the understanding that the costs of such incorporation will need to be approved as part of the normal budgeting process of the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature.

Laid over.

AMENDMENTS(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Holdcroft filed the following amendments to LB213:

[FA2](#)

Strike Section 1.

[FA3](#)

Strike Section 2.

[FA4](#)

Strike Section 3.

[FA5](#)

Strike Section 1.

[FA6](#)

Strike Section 2.

[FA7](#)

Strike Section 3.

MOTION(S) - Print in Journal

Senator Holdcroft filed the following motions to LB213:

[MO10](#)

Bracket until June 10, 2025.

[MO11](#)

Indefinitely postpone pursuant to Rule 6, Sec. 3(f).

[MO12](#)

Recommit to the Education Committee.

[MO13](#)

Bracket until June 10, 2025.

[MO14](#)

Recommit to the Education Committee.

[MO15](#)

Indefinitely postpone.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator Dover name added to LB12.
Senator Fredrickson name added to LB28.
Senator Conrad name added to LB37.
Senator Wordekemper name added to LB62.
Senator Conrad name added to LB65.
Senator Conrad name added to LB70.
Senator Conrad name added to LB71.
Senator Clouse name added to LB90.
Senator Raybould name added to LB130.
Senator Raybould name added to LB137.
Senator Raybould name added to LB141.
Senator Raybould name added to LB143.
Senator Raybould name added to LB151.
Senator Raybould name added to LB152.
Senator Raybould name added to LB156.
Senator Dover name added to LB156.
Senator Fredrickson name added to LB156.
Senator Fredrickson name added to LB157.
Senator Raybould name added to LB157.
Senator Raybould name added to LB163.
Senator Raybould name added to LB165.
Senator Raybould name added to LB166.
Senator Brandt name added to LB168.
Senator Conrad name added to LB171.
Senator Raybould name added to LB171.
Senator Raybould name added to LB173.
Senator Raybould name added to LB181.
Senator Raybould name added to LB186.
Senator Raybould name added to LB188.
Senator Raybould name added to LB192.
Senator Fredrickson name added to LB236.
Senator Conrad name added to LB237.
Senator Brandt name added to LB246.
Senator Dover name added to LB254.
Senator Conrad name added to LB255.

WITHDRAW - Cointroducer(s)

Senator Wordekemper name withdrawn from LB179.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Dave Hoelting, Pender.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:46 a.m., on a motion by Senator Juarez, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Thursday, January 16, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

SEVENTH DAY - JANUARY 16, 2025**LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL****ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE
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Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska
Thursday, January 16, 2025

PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Murman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator Brandt.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 10:00 a.m., Speaker Arch presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Bosn, Bostar, Hunt, and Raybould who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the sixth day was approved.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

LB/LR	Committee
LB59	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs (rereferred)
LB195	Judiciary
LB196	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB197	Business and Labor
LB198	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB199	Judiciary
LB200	Revenue
LB201	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB202	Health and Human Services
LB203	Health and Human Services

LB204 Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB205 Judiciary
LB206 Judiciary
LB207 Transportation and Telecommunications
LB208 Revenue
LB209 Revenue
LB210 Health and Human Services
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LB212 Revenue
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LB253 Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB254 Appropriations
LB255 Health and Human Services
LB256 Transportation and Telecommunications
LB257 Health and Human Services
LB258 Business and Labor
LR12CA Revenue
LR13CA Revenue

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

SPEAKER'S ANNOUNCEMENT

Pursuant to Rule 4, Sec. 8, LR17 was referred to the Reference Committee.

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT

Senator Hansen, Chairperson of the Executive Board, reported the appointments of the following members of the Legislature to the following special committees:

Building Maintenance

Senator Rob Clements
Senator Myron Dorn
Senator Tom Brandt
Senator Jana Hughes (Chair)
Senator Dave Wordekemper
Senator Dan McKeon

Committee on Justice Reinvestment Oversight

Senator Carolyn Bosn (Chair)
Senator John Cavanaugh
Senator Rick Holdcroft
Senator Victor Rountree
Senator Jason Prokop

Education Commission of the States

Senator Jana Hughes
Senator Margo Juarez
Senator Dan Lonowski

Homeland Security Policy Group

Senator Paul Strommen
Senator Bob Andersen

Interstate Compact for Adult Offender Supervision

Senator George Dungan

Legislative Performance Audit Committee

Senator Ben Hansen
Senator Rob Clements
Speaker John Arch
Senator Machaela Cavanaugh
Senator Myron Dorn
Senator Mike Jacobson
Senator Merv Riepe

Legislature's Planning Committee

Speaker John Arch
Senator Ben Hansen
Senator Rob Clements
Senator Wendy DeBoer
Senator Rick Holdcroft

Senator Dan Quick
Senator Merv Riepe
Senator Eliot Bostar
Senator Paul Strommen

Midwest Higher Education Compact

Senator Jana Hughes
Senator John Cavanaugh

Nebraska Information Technology Commission

Senator Wendy DeBoer

Rural Broadband Task Force

Senator Mike Moser
Senator Stan Clouse

State Council for Interstate Juvenile Supervision

Senator Dan Quick

State-Tribal Relations Committee

Senator Jane Raybould (Chair)
Senator Barry DeKay (Vice-Chair)
Senator Machaela Cavanaugh
Senator Victor Rountree
Senator Ashlei Spivey
Senator Megan Hunt
Senator Dunixi Guereca

Statewide Tourism and Recreational Water Access and Resource Sustainability (STAR WARS) Special Committee

Speaker John Arch
Senator Tom Brandt
Senator Paul Strommen
Senator Beau Ballard
Senator Barry DeKay

Senator Rick Holdcroft
 Senator Mike Jacobson
 Senator Jane Raybould
 Senator Robert Dover
 Senator Eliot Bostar
 Senator Ben Hansen
 Senator Brad von Gillern

Streamlined Sales and Use Tax System

Senator Bostar
 Senator Stan Clouse

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
 Legislative Council, Executive Board

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Health and Human Services
 Room 1510 1:30 PM

Friday, January 24, 2025

Drew D Gonshorowski - Division of Medicaid and Long Term Care-
 Department of Health and Human Services
 Thomas Janousek - Division of Behavioral Health-Department of Health
 and Human Services

(Signed) Brian Hardin, Chairperson

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 312. Introduced by Strommen, 47; Ballard, 21; Clouse, 37; DeBoer, 10; DeKay, 40; Dorn, 30; Guereca, 7; Hallstrom, 1; Holdcroft, 36; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Meyer, 17; Murman, 38; Sanders, 45; Storer, 43; Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Rural Health Systems and Professional Incentive Act; to amend sections 71-5662, 71-5663, 71-5665, and 71-5668, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for student loans to students in nurse anesthesia practice programs and loan repayments for nurse anesthetists; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 313. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; to amend sections 48-118 and 48-118.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to subrogation regarding third-party

claims under the act; to provide for the distribution of proceeds from the settlement of third-party claims in certain circumstances; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 314. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Sports Arena Facility Financing Assistance Act; to amend section 13-3106, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 13-3103, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to applicants for state assistance; to define a term; to change provisions relating to application approval; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 315. Introduced by Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to corporations; to amend sections 21-301, 21-303, 21-304, 21-306, 21-313, 21-323, and 21-325, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide a sunset date for required biennial reports of and occupation taxes on domestic and foreign corporations; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 316. Introduced by Kauth, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to cannabis; to amend sections 2-503, 2-505, 2-515, and 28-401, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine hemp under the Nebraska Hemp Farming Act; to define terms; to prohibit conduct relating to hemp other than cannabidiol products as prescribed; to change provisions relating to transportation of hemp; to provide for regulation of cannabidiol products; to redefine terms in the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 317. Introduced by Brandt, 32; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Water, Energy, and Environment; to amend sections 2-408, 2-969, 2-1501, 2-1504, 2-1508, 2-1509, 2-1510, 2-1511, 2-1588, 2-1592, 2-1593, 2-1594, 2-1595, 2-2626, 2-3202, 2-3225, 2-3241, 2-3254, 2-3279, 2-3280, 2-4602, 2-4603, 2-4604, 2-4901, 13-1701, 13-2008, 13-2009, 13-2042.01, 16-6,106, 25-1062.01, 25-1064, 25-1920, 25-2159, 25-2160, 31-415, 31-509, 31-515, 31-516, 31-1003, 31-1015, 37-707, 37-708.01, 46-106, 46-122, 46-190, 46-192, 46-193, 46-1,155, 46-1,157, 46-205, 46-226.02, 46-226.03, 46-229, 46-229.02, 46-229.04, 46-229.06, 46-230, 46-233, 46-233.01, 46-235, 46-250, 46-252, 46-254, 46-256, 46-258, 46-261, 46-263.02, 46-273, 46-286, 46-288, 46-289, 46-290, 46-291, 46-292, 46-293, 46-294, 46-294.01, 46-294.02, 46-294.05, 46-2,104, 46-2,105, 46-2,108, 46-2,109, 46-2,110, 46-2,111, 46-2,112, 46-2,113, 46-2,114, 46-2,115, 46-2,116, 46-2,116.01, 46-2,117, 46-2,118, 46-2,119, 46-2,120, 46-2,122, 46-2,125,

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harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; to outright repeal sections 2-1596, 2-1597, 2-1598, 2-1599, 2-15,100, 2-15,101, 2-15,103, 2-15,105, 2-15,106, 2-3277, 2-3278, 2-4201, 2-4202, 2-4203, 2-4204, 2-4205, 2-4206, 2-4207, 2-4208, 2-4209, 2-4210, 2-4211, 2-4212, 2-4213, 2-4214, 2-4215, 2-4216, 2-4217, 2-4218, 2-4219, 2-4220, 2-4221, 2-4222, 2-4223, 2-4224, 2-4225, 2-4226, 2-4227, 2-4228, 2-4229, 2-4230, 2-4231, 2-4232, 2-4233, 2-4234, 2-4235, 2-4236, 2-4237, 2-4238, 2-4239, 2-4240, 2-4241, 2-4242, 2-4243, 2-4244, 2-4245, 2-4246, 46-199, 71-3508.02, 81-1578, 81-1579, 81-1579.01, 81-1580, 81-1581, 81-1582, 81-1583, 81-1584, 81-1584.01, 81-1585, 81-1586, 81-1586.01, 81-1587, 81-1588, 81-1589, 81-1590, 81-1590.01, 81-1591, 81-1591.01, 81-1592, 81-1593, 81-1594, 81-1595, 81-1596, 81-1597, 81-1598, 81-1599, 81-1599.01, 81-1599.02, 81-15,100, 81-15,101, 81-15,101.01, 81-15,101.02, 81-15,101.03, 81-15,101.04, 81-15,101.05, 81-15,102, 81-15,102.01, 81-15,102.02, 81-15,102.03, 81-15,103, 81-15,104, 81-15,104.01, 81-15,105, 81-15,105.01, 81-15,106, 81-15,107, 81-15,108, 81-15,109, 81-15,110, 81-15,111, 81-15,112, 81-15,112.01, 81-15,113, 81-15,113.01, 81-15,113.02, 81-15,114, 81-15,115, 81-15,116, 81-15,254, 81-15,255, 81-15,256, 81-15,257, 81-15,258, 81-15,259, 81-15,293, 81-15,294, 81-15,295, 81-15,296, 81-15,297, and 81-15,298, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to declare an emergency.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Banking, Commerce and Insurance
Room 1507 1:30 PM

Monday, January 27, 2025

LB21
LB187
LB139

Banking, Commerce and Insurance
Room 1507 1:30 PM

Tuesday, January 28, 2025

LB231
LB251
LB250

(Signed) Mike Jacobson, Chairperson

Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
Room 1507 1:30 PM

Thursday, January 23, 2025

LB166
LB180
LB59

(Signed) Rita Sanders, Chairperson

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Appropriations Committee elected Senator Armendariz as Vice Chairperson.

PROPOSED RULES CHANGE(S)

Senator M. Cavanaugh withdrew her Proposed Rule Change 2, found on page 56, and Proposed Rule Change 20, found on page 99.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 318. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public assistance; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to file a state plan amendment for incarcerated youth as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 319. Introduced by Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public assistance; to amend section 68-1017.02, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to eligibility for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 320. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to human trafficking; to amend sections 81-1430 and 81-1431, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the human trafficking task force; to require hotels and similar public lodging establishments place posters relating to human trafficking in such establishments; to provide for training on human trafficking to employees and similar public lodging establishments; to provide powers and duties to the Department of Labor; to limit the liability of owners, operators, and employees of a hotel or similar public lodging establishment relating to human trafficking committed by a third party; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 321. Introduced by Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to drainage; to amend section 31-735, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the election of the board of trustees; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 322. Introduced by Clouse, 37; Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 84-941.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 28-101, 28-115, 28-929, 28-929.01, 28-929.02, 28-930, 28-931, 28-934, 28-1351, 28-1354, and 29-2221, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit assault on a pharmacist; to change and eliminate provisions and penalties relating to offenses involving assault on an officer, emergency responder, certain employees, or a health care professional; to define and redefine terms; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 28-931.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 323. Introduced by Moser, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Transportation; to amend section 39-1355, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 39-1348, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to solicitation of bids; to change the threshold required for legislative consent relating to certain construction projects; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 324. Introduced by Moser, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Business Improvement District Act; to amend sections 19-4027, 19-4029.01, and 19-4029.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change protest procedures relating to creation of a proposed business improvement district or modification of an existing business improvement district as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 325. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to amend section 44-211, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to qualifications and requirements for the board of directors of an insurance corporation; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 326. Introduced by Jacobson, 42.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to amend sections 44-1523, 44-1524, 44-1525, 44-1527, 44-1528, 44-1529, 44-1530, 44-1532, 44-2403, 44-2405, 44-2406, 44-2407, 44-2411, and 44-6135, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define and redefine terms; to change powers and duties of the Director of Insurance; to change provisions relating to the Unfair Insurance Trade Practices Act, the Nebraska Property and Liability Insurance Guaranty Association Act, and mutual insurance holding companies; to change provisions relating to the board of directors of the

Nebraska Property and Liability Insurance Guaranty Association and first-party and third-party claims; to change provisions relating to settlements, releases, compromises, and judgments; to provide for defenses as prescribed; to change requirements relating to exhaustion of remedies; to change requirements relating to annual statements as prescribed; to eliminate the Health Insurance Access Act and the Health Care Purchasing Pool Act; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 44-5301, 44-5302, 44-5303, 44-5304, 44-5305, 44-5306, 44-5307, 44-5308, 44-5309, 44-5310, 44-5311, 44-6701, and 44-6702, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 327. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to probation; to amend section 25-2407, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 29-2259, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define a term; to provide for state payment of probation expenses as prescribed; to provide duties for counties, the State Court Administrator, and the Supreme Court; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 328. Introduced by Holdcroft, 36.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 58-711, 68-1604, 76-903, and 81-12,146, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 58-703 and 71-812, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the disbursement of the documentary stamp tax and the funding of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund, the Homeless Shelter Assistance Trust Fund, the Behavioral Health Services Fund, and the Site and Building Development Fund; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 329. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend section 28-316.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to sexual abuse by a school employee; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 330. Introduced by Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-2701.02, 77-27,132, and 77-4405, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the sales tax rate and the distribution of sales and use tax revenue; to create the Alcohol Addiction Prevention and Treatment Fund; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 331. Introduced by Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 13-319, 13-501, 13-2813, 60-3,185, 60-3,190, 77-27,148, 77-3507, 79-1001, and 85-2231, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 18-2147, 77-201, 77-2004, 77-2005, 77-2006, 77-2701, 77-3506, 77-3508, 77-6406, and 77-6827, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Nebraska EPIC Option Consumption Tax Act; to terminate the Nebraska Budget Act, tax-increment financing, the motor vehicle tax, the motor vehicle fee, the property tax, the inheritance tax, sales and use taxes, the income tax, the homestead exemption, the Tax Equity and Educational Opportunities Support Act, and the Community College Aid Act as prescribed; to change an application deadline under the ImagiNE Nebraska Act; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 332. Introduced by Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the medical assistance program; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require Medicaid coverage for psychology services provided by certain practitioners as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 333. Introduced by Hardin, 48.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act; to amend sections 60-462, 60-4,131, 60-4,131.01, and 60-4,132, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for hazardous materials endorsements for certain persons who haul hazardous materials intrastate; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 334. Introduced by Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to candidate filing forms; to amend section 32-607, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to make information confidential for judges desiring retention; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 335. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the In the Line of Duty Dependent Education Act; to amend section 85-2303, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 336. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating labor; to create the Task Force on Supported Employment.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 337. Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 23-187, 60-103, 60-123, 60-135.01, 60-153, 60-305, 60-339, 60-358.01, 60-3,143, 60-3,187, 60-3,190, 60-471, 60-4,114, 60-4,123, 60-4,123.01, 60-6,252, 60-6,266, 60-6,270, 60-6,355, and 60-6,356, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 60-3,100, 60-3,104, 60-3,135.01, 60-3,221, 60-462, 60-463, 60-4,124, 60-501, 60-601, 60-605, 60-6,279, and 77-27,132, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to authorize county boards to regulate the operation of certain all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions of the Motor Vehicle Certificate of Title Act relating to all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles; to provide for registration, fees, and taxes for certain all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles under the Motor Vehicle Registration Act; to change provisions of the Motor Vehicle Operator's License Act; to change certain safety provisions and to authorize the operation of certain all-terrain vehicles and utility-type vehicles on certain highways as prescribed under the Nebraska Rules of the Road; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Natural Resources
Room 1023 1:30 PM

Thursday, January 23, 2025

LB38
LB91
LB167

(Signed) Tom Brandt, Chairperson

Revenue
Room 1524 1:30 PM

Thursday, January 23, 2025

LB209
LB200
LB116

Revenue
Room 1524 1:30 PM

Friday, January 24, 2025

LB208
LB182
LB115

(Signed) R. Brad von Gillern, Chairperson

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 338. Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to prohibit the use of genetic information for purposes of determining eligibility, setting premium rates, or imposing preexisting condition exclusions for life insurance, disability insurance, or long-term care insurance.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 339. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the federal Child Care Subsidy program; to amend section 68-1206, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to provide a report as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 340. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to asbestos; to amend section 25-224, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Asbestos Trust Claims Transparency Act and the Asbestos Claims Priorities and Over-Naming Reform Act; to change provisions relating to a statute of limitations; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 341. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to settlements; to adopt the Nebraska Statutory Thresholds for Settlements Involving Minors Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 342. Introduced by Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30; Hansen, 16; Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to gaming; to amend sections 28-1101, 28-1105, and 28-1113, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Fantasy Sports Consumer Protection Act; to redefine terms; to provide a gambling exception for conducting or participating in fantasy contests; to change a provision relating to possession of gambling records; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 343. Introduced by Brandt, 32; Dorn, 30.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend section 60-3,104.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change the fee for specialty license plates; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 344. Introduced by Brandt, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to water allocation; to amend section 46-740, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions related to ground water allocation and the use of integrated management plans, rules, or orders; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 345. Introduced by Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee: Sanders, 45, Chairperson; Andersen, 49; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to state constitutional officers; to amend sections 84-201.01 and 84-721, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 75-104, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the salaries of the Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and members of the Public Service Commission; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 346. Introduced by Arch, 14; at the request of the Governor.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend sections 2-1801, 2-1803, 2-1826, 2-4901, 2-5001, 2-5003, 20-506, 38-204, 38-205, 38-308, 38-310, 48-622.03, 58-202, 60-1401.06, 60-1402, 66-1605, 66-1618, 71-705, 71-706, 71-814, 71-815, 71-2454.01, 71-4503, 71-5311, 71-7102, 71-7107, 71-7108, 71-7109, 71-7110, 72-811, 72-812, 72-2101, 72-2206, 81-1108.41, 81-1348, 81-1430, 81-1431, 81-1503, 81-1504, 81-15,159.01, 81-15,210, 81-15,239, 81-15,245, 82-703, 82-706, 82-803, 85-1008, 85-1404, 85-1607, 86-444, 86-461, 86-511, 86-516, 86-521, 86-1025.01, 86-1101, 86-1102, and 86-1103, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 28-712, 38-167, 39-2106, 39-2301.01, 39-2304, 43-1903, 43-3401, 43-4001, 43-4203, 43-4216, 43-4406, 43-4513, 66-2001, 71-702, 71-4504, and 71-7012, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the qualifications of the State Capitol Administrator; to eliminate, terminate, and provide, change, eliminate, and transfer powers, duties, and membership of boards, commissions, committees, councils, task forces, panels, and departments as prescribed; to provide for termination of the advisory council for the Private Postsecondary Career School Act, the Advisory Council on Public Water Supply, the Board of Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, the Board of Alcohol and Drug Counseling, the Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents, the Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee, the Bridge to Independence Advisory Committee, the Chief Standing Bear National Statuary Hall Selection Committee, the child abuse advisory committee, the Children's Behavioral Health Task Force, the Climate Assessment Response Committee, the Conservation Corporation Act, the Critical Incident Stress Management Council, the Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board, the First Regiment Nebraska Volunteer Infantry at Fort Donelson Committee, the

Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee, the Governor's Keep Nebraska Beautiful Committee, the Governor's Residence Advisory Commission, the Interagency Management Committee, the Natural Gas Fuel Board, the Nebraska Aquaculture Board, the Nebraska Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board, the Nebraska Conservation Corporation, the Nebraska Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, the Nebraska Potato Development Act, the Nebraska Potato Development Committee, the Nebraska Safety Center Advisory Council, the Nebraska Worker Training Board, the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council, the Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Advisory Committee, the Racial Profiling Advisory Committee, the Rural Broadband Task Force, the solid waste management advisory committee, the State Advisory Committee on Substance Abuse Services, the State Comprehensive Capital Facilities Planning Committee, the State Emergency Response Commission, the Suggestion Award Board, the task force on human trafficking, the technical panel for the Nebraska Information Technology Commission, the Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee, the Veterinary Prescription Monitoring Program Task Force, the Willa Cather National Statuary Hall Selection Committee, the Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council, and the Women's Health Initiative Fund; to change provisions relating to the Board of Mental Health Practice, the Board of Nursing, the Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards, the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education, the Critical Incident Stress Management Act, the Department of Administrative Services, the Department of Environment and Energy, the Department of Labor, the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council, the Environmental Quality Council, the Nebraska Children's Commission, the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, the Nebraska Information Technology Commission, the 911 Service System Advisory Committee, the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Act, the Propane Education and Research Council, and the State Advisory Committee on Mental Health Services; to change and eliminate funds; to eliminate the Children and Juveniles Data Feasibility Study Advisory Group, the Whiteclay Public Health Emergency Task Force; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 2-4201, 2-4202, 2-4203, 2-4204, 2-4205, 2-4206, 2-4207, 2-4208, 2-4209, 2-4210, 2-4211, 2-4212, 2-4213, 2-4214, 2-4215, 2-4216, 2-4217, 2-4218, 2-4219, 2-4220, 2-4221, 2-4222, 2-4223, 2-4224, 2-4225, 2-4226, 2-4227, 2-4228, 2-4229, 2-4230, 2-4231, 2-4232, 2-4233, 2-4234, 2-4235, 2-4236, 2-4237, 2-4238, 2-4239, 2-4240, 2-4241, 2-4242, 2-4243, 2-4244, 2-4245, 2-4246, 43-4003, 50-601, 50-602, 50-603, 66-1617, 71-7105, and 71-7106, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 43-1306, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 347. Introduced by Prokop, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Public Service Commission; to eliminate conditions on the issuance of securities by common carriers; and to outright repeal section 75-148, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 348. Introduced by Prokop, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to appropriate funds for domestic violence services; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 349. Introduced by Prokop, 27.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to electricity; to amend section 70-1012.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 70-1001.01, 70-1012, and 70-1015, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to required applications, notices, and filings, exemptions, and violations regarding the construction or acquisition of certain electric energy storage resources by electric suppliers; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 350. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9; Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to mental health; to amend sections 71-931, 71-932, 71-933, 71-1215, 71-1216, and 71-1217, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 29-1823, 71-919, 71-937, 71-1204, and 71-1221, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to commitment for competency restoration; to require certain documents under the Nebraska Mental Health Commitment Act and Sex Offender Commitment Act to be filed with the court, tribal court, or appropriate tribal official; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 351. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to state hospitals for the mentally ill; to amend section 83-338, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements for priority of admission; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 352. Introduced by Ballard, 21; Conrad, 46; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend section 79-760.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to reports on student achievement and on student discipline required under the Quality Education Accountability Act; to eliminate obsolete provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 353. Introduced by Lonowski, 33; Ballard, 21; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; McKeon, 41; Meyer, 17; Sanders, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to amend section 79-873, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to allow public school employees to join or terminate membership in a labor organization as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 354. Introduced by Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-27,139.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to prohibit cities of the first class from receiving state aid from the Municipal Equalization Fund; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 355. Introduced by Andersen, 49.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to census data; to amend sections 13-1906, 81-1203, and 81-12,108, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 13-2610, 18-2103, 77-6831, and 77-6906, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change certain census data provisions relating to development districts and a committee formed under the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act; to redefine terms under the Community Development Law, the ImagiNE Nebraska Act, the Urban Redevelopment Act, a job training grant program, and the Nebraska Innovation Hub Act; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 356. Introduced by General Affairs Committee: Holdcroft, 36, Chairperson; Andersen, 49; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Arts Council; to amend section 82-309, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the appointment of members to the council; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 357. Introduced by General Affairs Committee: Holdcroft, 36, Chairperson; Andersen, 49; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3; Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Racing and Gaming Commission; to amend sections 2-1203, 2-1203.01, 2-1203.02, 2-1204, 2-1223, 2-1225, 2-1244, 2-1245, 9-1101, 9-1108, 9-1203, 9-1205, 9-1206, 9-1207, 9-1208, 9-1209, and 25-21,252, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 2-1201, 2-1202, 2-1205, 9-1103, 9-1106, and 9-1107, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide, change, and eliminate definitions; to change provisions relating to the powers and duties of the State Racing and Gaming Commission and licenses issued by the commission; to require licensure of a racetrack enclosure as prescribed; to change provisions relating to the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act; to rename and change provisions relating to the Racing and Gaming Commission's Racetrack Gaming Fund; to transfer funds; to eliminate the Racing and Gaming Commission's Racing Cash Fund; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 2-1222 and 9-1202, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 358. Introduced by Guereca, 7.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Treatment and Corrections Act; to amend section 83-178, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide committed offenders access to certain records; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 359. Introduced by Cavanaugh, M., 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to health and human services; to state intent regarding an increase in rates for child welfare aid.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 360. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to homeowner associations; to provide restrictions and exceptions for the regulation of political signs as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 361. Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Fair Employment Practice Act; to amend sections 48-1125 and 48-1126, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to prohibit discrimination for exercise of rights under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; to provide for jury trials; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 362. Introduced by DeBoer, 10; Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to 911 services; to amend sections 75-132.01, 86-124, 86-125, 86-163, 86-313, 86-429, 86-429.01, 86-432, 86-433, 86-435, 86-436, 86-437, 86-438, 86-439, 86-440, 86-440.01, 86-441, 86-441.01, 86-449.01, 86-456, 86-456.01, 86-457, 86-458, 86-459, 86-460, 86-466, 86-467, 86-468, 86-470, 86-472, 86-802, 86-903, 86-905, 86-1001, 86-1002, 86-1003, 86-1004, 86-1006, 86-1006.01, 86-1007, 86-1011, 86-1012, 86-1013, 86-1014, 86-1015, 86-1017, 86-1018, 86-1019, 86-1020, 86-1021, 86-1022, 86-1023, 86-1024, 86-1024.01, 86-1025, 86-1025.01, 86-1026, 86-1028, 86-1029, 86-1029.01, 86-1029.02, 86-1029.03, 86-1029.04, and 86-1031, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 75-109.01, 75-126, 75-156, and 77-2703.04, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define, redefine, and eliminate terms; to eliminate provisions of and rename the Emergency Telephone Communications Systems Act and the Enhanced Wireless 911 Services Act and to change provisions of the 911 Service System Act; to change provisions relating to powers and duties of the Public Service Commission, the 911 Service System Advisory Committee, the 911 Service System Fund, 911 service surcharges, duties and compensation of wireless carriers, public safety answering points, and county implementation of next-generation 911 service; to eliminate the Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 86-420, 86-421, 86-422, 86-423, 86-424, 86-425, 86-426, 86-428, 86-430, 86-431, 86-434, 86-442, 86-443, 86-444, 86-445, 86-446, 86-447,

86-448, 86-449, 86-450, 86-450.01, 86-450.03, 86-451, 86-452, 86-453, 86-454, 86-455, 86-461, 86-462, 86-464, 86-465, 86-466.01, 86-469, 86-1005, 86-1008, 86-1009, 86-1010, 86-1016, and 86-1027, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

SENATOR FREDRICKSON PRESIDING

LEGISLATIVE BILL 363. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to apprenticeships; to adopt the Apprenticeship Grant Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 364. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Legislature; to amend section 37-342, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to legislative approval of an indication of intent to incorporate land into the state park system; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 365. Introduced by Quick, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-911, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require the Department of Health and Human Services to provide coverage and reimbursement for self-measure blood pressure monitoring services as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 366. Introduced by Riepe, 12; Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to amend sections 84-901 and 84-901.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to define terms; to create the Legislative Economic Analysis Unit and the Chief Economist; to provide for regulatory impact analyses and other impact analyses; to change provisions relating to the adoption and promulgation of rules and regulations; to provide for judicial review; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 367. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 38-101, 38-178, and 38-2894, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit conversion therapy; to provide for disciplinary sanctions under the Uniform Credentialing Act; to provide for a deceptive trade practice; to define terms; to prohibit the use of funds for conversion therapy; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 368. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to state wards; to define terms; to state intent; to create the Nebraska Youth in Care Bill of Rights; and to provide powers and duties.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 369. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to minors; to amend section 43-2101, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the age of majority; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 370. Introduced by Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Student-Athlete Name, Image, or Likeness Rights Act; to amend sections 48-3601, 48-3602, 48-3603, 48-3604, 48-3605, 48-3606, and 48-3608, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to contracts or agreements for compensation for the use a student-athlete's name, image, or likeness rights or athletic reputation; to provide requirements for athlete agents and agency agreements; to change provisions relating to civil actions permitted under the act; to harmonize provisions; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 371. Introduced by DeBoer, 10; Hunt, 8.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Civil Remedies for Unauthorized Disclosure of Intimate Images Act; to amend sections 25-3502 and 25-3503, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to redefine terms; to provide liability for images created by computer generation or digital manipulation; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 372. Introduced by McKeon, 41; Holdcroft, 36; Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to agriculture; to amend section 75-109, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate defined terms and provisions relating to grain inspections, special certificates, fees, powers and duties of the Department of Agriculture, the Nebraska Origin and Premium Quality Grain Cash Fund, the Agricultural Suppliers Lease Protection Act, labeling requirements for honey, and a deceptive trade practice; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original section; and to outright repeal sections 2-3813, 2-3814, 2-5501, 2-5502, 2-5503, 2-5504, 2-5505, 2-5506, 2-5507, 2-5508, and 81-2,181, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 373. Introduced by Hansen, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to roads; to amend sections 39-1722, 39-1724, and 39-1725, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 39-1410, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change

provisions relating to section lines and vacation or abandonment of public roads; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 374. Introduced by Hansen, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to midwives; to amend sections 38-606 and 38-618, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 38-101, 38-121, 38-131, 38-167, and 38-2025, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Licensed Midwives Practice Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 375. Introduced by Ibach, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to grocery stores; to adopt the Grocer Reinvestment Option Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 376. Introduced by Health and Human Services Committee: Hardin, 48, Chairperson; Ballard, 21; Hansen, 16; Meyer, 17.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Department of Health and Human Services; to amend sections 28-3,107, 28-705, 28-706, 43-512.11, 43-2624, 43-3301, 43-3342.04, 68-130, 68-150, 68-158, 68-716, 68-909, 68-912, 68-916, 68-1006, 68-1007, 68-1509, 68-1735.03, 68-1804, 69-2409.01, 71-2226, 71-2518, 71-7450, 81-132, 81-638, 81-642, 81-643, 81-645, 81-648, 81-649, 81-649.02, 81-664, 81-1113, 81-3116, 83-102, 83-105, 83-4,134.01, and 83-1216.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 30-38,113, 38-1130, 38-1208.01, 38-1216, 43-4406, 43-4504, 43-4706, 68-919, 68-974, 68-995, 68-9,109, 68-1530, 71-509, 71-564, 71-604.02, 71-2489, 71-7804, 76-3501, and 76-3505, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change requirements for physicians performing or inducing an abortion; to change and eliminate various reporting requirements; to change requirements for rules and regulations as prescribed; to redefine a term; to change requirements for the Title IV-D Customer Service Unit; to change funding provisions for child care grants; to change eligibility requirements for young adults in the bridge to independence program; to change requirements relating to office space maintained by counties; to change and eliminate requirements relating to application for, determination of need for, and payment of assistance to the aged, blind, and disabled; to change notification requirements for certain test results; to change requirements for nonvoting members of the Alzheimer's Disease and Other Dementia Advisory Council and the Primary Care Investment Council; to change requirements for affidavits relating to acknowledgment of maternity; to change requirements of the State Commodity Supplemental Food Program; to change requirements for new construction under the Radon Resistant New Construction Act; to change responsibility requirements for the Division of Children and Family Services; to change and eliminate powers and duties of the department; to eliminate provisions relating to spousal assets under the Medical Assistance Act, the Autism Treatment Program Act, maternal and child welfare, the

Palliative Care and Quality of Life Act, the Outpatient Surgical Procedures Data Act, and patients with complex health needs; to provide for the use of wholesale drug distributor license fees for the prescription drug monitoring program; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 43-3326, 48-2307, 68-921, 68-922, 68-923, 68-924, 68-925, 68-962, 68-963, 68-964, 68-965, 68-966, 68-1008, 68-1118, 68-1518, 68-1735.02, 68-2004, 71-17,115, 71-2201, 71-2202, 71-2203, 71-2204, 71-2205, 71-2207, 71-2208, 71-3005, 71-4501, 71-4502, 71-4503, 71-4741, 71-8313, 81-650, 81-6,111, 81-6,112, 81-6,113, 81-6,114, 81-6,115, 81-6,116, 81-6,117, 81-6,118, 81-6,119, and 81-3133, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 68-1010, 71-4504, and 76-3507, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 377. Introduced by Natural Resources Committee: Brandt, 32, Chairperson; Clouse, 37; Conrad, 46; DeKay, 40; Hughes, 24.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Game and Parks Commission; to amend section 37-101, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to term limits; to eliminate obsolete provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 378. Introduced by Andersen, 49; Clements, 2; Clouse, 37; Hansen, 16; Holdcroft, 36; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; McKeon, 41; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to postsecondary education; to require each public or private two-year or four-year college or university provide a report to the Attorney General and the Legislature relating to certain funding from a foreign source as prescribed; to provide powers and duties to the Attorney General; and to provide a civil penalty.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 379. Introduced by Andersen, 49; Clements, 2; Dover, 19; Holdcroft, 36; Ibach, 44; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; McKeon, 41; Sorrentino, 39; Storm, 23; Strommen, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Welfare Reform Act; to amend section 68-1724, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change the maximum time limit for receipt of cash assistance; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 380. Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend sections 68-995 and 68-996, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to establish requirements for Department of Health and Human Services' contractors providing medical assistance services; to provide duties for the Division of Medicaid and Long-Term Care; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 381. Introduced by Fredrickson, 20.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend section 68-974, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change requirements relating to program integrity and recovery audit contractors and program integrity audits as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 382. Introduced by Meyer, 17; Cavanaugh, M., 6; Guereca, 7; Quick, 35; Rountree, 3.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to aging services; to amend section 81-2224, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 68-996, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for appropriation of funds from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess Profit Fund to reimburse designated area agencies on aging; and to repeal the original sections.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 18CA. Introduced by Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee: Sanders, 45, Chairperson; Andersen, 49; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article III, section 22:

III-22 (1) Each Legislature shall make appropriations for the expenses of the Government. And whenever it is deemed necessary to make further appropriations for deficiencies, the same shall require a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the Legislature.

(2) Bills making appropriations for the pay of members and officers of the Legislature, and for the salaries of the officers of the Government, shall contain no provision on any other subject.

(3) The Legislature shall not impose responsibility for a program created after the year 2026 or an increased level of service required under an existing program after the year 2026 on any political subdivision of the state unless the political subdivision is fully reimbursed by the state for the cost of such program or increase in level of service. Reimbursement by the state shall be in the form of a specific appropriation or an increase in state distribution of revenue to such political subdivision.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to require the state to reimburse political subdivisions for responsibilities imposed by the Legislature after the year

2026 or for increased levels of service required by the Legislature after the year 2026.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 19CA. Introduced by Dover, 19; Bosn, 25; Cavanaugh, M., 6; Clouse, 37; Conrad, 46; DeBoer, 10; Dorn, 30; Dungan, 26; Guereca, 7; Hallstrom, 1; Hansen, 16; Ibach, 44; Juarez, 5; Kauth, 31; McKeon, 41; McKinney, 11; Meyer, 17; Murman, 38; Riepe, 12; Rountree, 3; Sanders, 45; Spivey, 13; Storer, 43; Strommen, 47.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article III, section 12:

III-12 (1) No person shall be eligible to serve as a member of the Legislature for four years next after the expiration of ~~three~~two consecutive terms regardless of the district represented.

(2) Service prior to January 1, 2001, as a member of the Legislature shall not be counted for the purpose of calculating consecutive terms in subsection (1) of this section.

(3) For the purpose of this section, service in office for more than one-half of a term shall be deemed service for a term.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to change the limit on legislative terms from two consecutive terms to three consecutive terms.

For

Against.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Natural Resources Committee elected Senator DeKay as Vice Chairperson.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Nebraska Retirement Systems
Room 1525 12:00 PM

Friday, January 24, 2025
LB108

(Signed) Beau Ballard, Chairperson

Judiciary
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Thursday, January 23, 2025

LB5 (reschedule)

LB195

LB26

LB80

LB93

LB124

LB184

Note: **LB5 and LB195 will be combined in a joint hearing. Also the order which bills will be heard will be posted outside the hearing room

Judiciary
Room 1525 1:30 PM

Friday, January 24, 2025

LB65

LB70

LB99

LB136

LB174

Note: *Order bills will be heard will be posted outside the hearing room

(Signed) Carolyn Bosn, Chairperson

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator Raybould name added to LB55.
Senator Raybould name added to LB115.
Senator Raybould name added to LB146.
Senator Conrad name added to LB158.
Senator Conrad name added to LB162.
Senator Dorn name added to LB216.
Senator Meyer name added to LB233.

VISITOR(S)

Visitors to the Chamber were families with the Nebraska CPM Alliance.

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Matt Bogaro, Omaha.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:32 a.m., on a motion by Senator Guereca, the Legislature adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Friday, January 17, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

EIGHTH DAY - JANUARY 17, 2025

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PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Storer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was offered by Senator DeBoer.

ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 11:00 a.m., Speaker Arch presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Jacobson and Sorrentino who were excused; and Senators Bostar, Hansen, Hunt, Raybould, and Sanders who were excused until they arrive.

CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the seventh day was approved.

REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Legislative Council Executive Board submits the following report:

LB/LR	Committee
LB9	General Affairs (rereferred)
LB259	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB260	Appropriations
LB261	Appropriations
LB262	Appropriations
LB263	Appropriations
LB264	Appropriations
LB265	Business and Labor
LB266	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

LB267	Judiciary
LB268	Health and Human Services
LB269	Revenue
LB270	Revenue
LB271	Judiciary
LB272	Revenue
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LB293	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB294	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB295	Nebraska Retirement Systems
LB296	Education
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LB298	Executive Board
LB299	Business and Labor
LB300	Education
LB301	Judiciary
LB302	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB303	Education
LB304	Health and Human Services
LB305	Revenue
LB306	Education
LB307	Appropriations
LB308	Business and Labor
LB309	Natural Resources
LB310	Health and Human Services
LB311	Transportation and Telecommunications
LR14	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LR15CA	Judiciary
LR16CA	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

(Signed) Ben Hansen, Chairperson
Executive Board

REPORTS

Agency reports electronically filed with the Legislature can be found on the [Nebraska Legislature's website](#).

REPORT OF REGISTERED LOBBYISTS

Following is a list of all lobbyists who have registered as of January 16, 2025, in accordance with Section 49-1481, Revised Statutes of Nebraska. Additional lobbyists who have registered will be filed weekly.

(Signed) Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature

Houghton, David A.
Kelley Plucker, LLC
Husch Blackwell Strategies
BlackRock Funds Services Group, LLC
City of Ralston
Flock Safety
Nebraska Corn Growers Association
Republic Services
Syngenta
Kelley Plucker, LLC
D.A. Davidson & Co.
Kelley, Sean
Kelley Plucker, LLC
Kolterman, Jessica A.
Lincoln Premium Poultry
Lowe, John
Associated Beverage Distributors of Nebraska
Lucariello, Katelin
Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America
Marlow, Chad
AMERICAN CIVIL LIBERTIES UNION, INC.
Mikolajczyk, Megan
Nebraska Civic Engagement Table
Nebraska Strategies
Consumer Data Industry Association
Lincoln Premium Poultry
Peetz & Company
Stonington Global, LLC
Plucker, Julia
Kelley Plucker, LLC

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Business and Labor Committee elected Senator Sorrentino as Vice Chairperson.

The Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee elected Senator Andersen as Vice Chairperson.

MOTION(S) - Print in Journal

Speaker Arch filed the following motion:

Suspend Rule 3, Sec. 14 to allow standing committees which meet on January 27, 2025, to schedule public hearings with six calendar days' notice.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 383. Introduced by Storer, 43; at the request of the Governor; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Clouse, 37; Dover, 19; Hardin, 48; Holdercroft, 36; Ibach, 44; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; Meyer, 17.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to social media; to adopt the Parental Rights in Social Media Act; to provide an operative date; and to provide severability.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 384. Introduced by Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Property Tax Request Act; to amend section 77-1633, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to require a majority of the elected members of the governing bodies of participating political subdivisions to attend joint public hearings; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 385. Introduced by Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act; to amend section 87-302, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to deceptive trade practices; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 386. Introduced by Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to mental health; to amend sections 71-904, 71-915, 71-922, 71-924, 71-941, 71-951, 71-952, 71-954, and 71-1208, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 71-901, 71-903, 71-919, 71-920, 71-926, 71-939, 71-958, 71-1203, 71-1204, 71-1206, and 71-1223, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Regional Mental Health Expansion Pilot Program Act; to provide for

videoconferencing of hearings and mental health evaluations under the Nebraska Mental Health Commitment Act and Sex Offender Commitment Act; to define and redefine terms; to provide for detention of certain persons and mental health beds at jails as prescribed; to change provisions relating to hearings and rights of confrontation; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 387. Introduced by Bosn, 25.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to correctional services; to amend section 83-170, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to redefine a term; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 388. Introduced by DeBoer, 10; Bosn, 25; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Conrad, 46; Dungan, 26; Hallstrom, 1; McKinney, 11; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to judicial nominating commissions; to amend sections 24-802, 24-805, 24-806, 24-808, 24-809, 24-810, and 24-810.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 24-803, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to commission member residency requirements, terms of office, powers and duties of commissioners and the Clerk of the Supreme Court, appointments, vacancies, elections, and automatic removals; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 389. Introduced by Murman, 38; Clements, 2.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 79-1201 and 79-1225, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 77-3442, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to eliminate the levy authority of educational service units; to provide state funding to educational service units as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 390. Introduced by Murman, 38; Andersen, 49; Clements, 2; Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to require each school board of a public school district to adopt a policy relating to access by a parent, guardian, or educational decisionmaker to certain school library information.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 391. Introduced by Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-2716, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt the Give to Enable Scholarship Act; to provide for certain income tax adjustments; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 392. Introduced by Clements, 2.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to provide for appropriations to the Legislative Council; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 393. Introduced by Clements, 2.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Cash Reserve Fund; to amend section 84-612, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate obsolete provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 394. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Weights and Measures Act; to amend sections 89-186, 89-187, 89-187.02, and 89-187.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt updates to federal law; to change provisions relating to fees; to change provisions relating to establishments that are permanently closed; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 395. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to juveniles; to amend sections 28-1204.05 and 43-2,108.05, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to unlawful possession of a firearm by a prohibited juvenile offender and sealed records; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 396. Introduced by DeKay, 40.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to political subdivisions; to amend sections 13-516 and 70-623, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to proposed budgets of certain districts and agencies and the filing of fiscal audits of certain districts; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 397. Introduced by Moser, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to amend sections 44-3,158, 48-144.03, and 48-446, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate provisions relating to safety committees and a safety program; to terminate a fund; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 48-443, 48-444, and 48-445, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 398. Introduced by Moser, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to motor vehicles; to amend sections 60-4,144.01 and 60-4,144.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and

sections 18-1737, 60-107, 60-119.01, 60-169, 60-302.01, 60-336.01, 60-386, 60-3,113.04, 60-3,193.01, 60-462.01, 60-479.01, 60-4,111.01, 60-4,131, 60-4,132, 60-4,134, 60-4,144, 60-4,147.02, 60-4,168, 60-501, 60-628.01, 60-6,265, 60-2705, 60-2909.01, 75-363, 75-364, 75-366, 75-369.03, 75-392, and 75-393, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to adopt updates to federal law and update certain federal references; to change provisions relating to commercial driver's licenses and CLP-commercial learner's permits; to redefine terms; to provide a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 399. Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Mutual Finance Assistance Act; to amend section 35-1205, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 35-1204, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to property tax rates; to change qualifications for certain distributions; to eliminate obsolete provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 400. Introduced by Wordekemper, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; to amend section 48-1,110, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for compensability of certain cancers in firefighters; to create rebuttable presumptions; to define terms; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 401. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-2709, 77-2786, and 77-2796, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 77-2708, 77-2727, 77-2734.01, and 77-2776, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to the taxation of partnerships and small business corporations and notices of deficiency determinations, deficiencies, and denials of claims for refunds; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 402. Introduced by von Gillern, 4.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to amend section 48-665, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 9-1302, 9-1303, 9-1304, 9-1306, 9-1307, 9-1308, and 9-1313, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions of the Gambling Winnings Setoff for Outstanding Debt Act to include collections related to overpayment of unemployment benefits under the Employment Security Law; to change provisions of the Employment Security Law relating to the statute of limitations for recovery of unemployment overpayment debt; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 403. Introduced by Spivey, 13.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to government; to create the Office of Grants; and to provide duties.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 404. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to probation; to amend section 29-2263, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to authorize the court to extend the term of probation on joint application of the probation officer and the probationer as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 405. Introduced by General Affairs Committee: Holdcroft, 36, Chairperson; Andersen, 49; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend section 53-123.17, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to remove redundant language relating to entertainment district licenses; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 406. Introduced by General Affairs Committee: Holdcroft, 36, Chairperson; Andersen, 49; Clouse, 37; DeKay, 40; Storm, 23.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Racing and Gaming Commission; to amend section 2-1201, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to remove redundant language; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 407. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to juvenile justice; to amend sections 43-252, 43-2,106.03, and 43-424, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 29-1816, 43-246.01, 43-251.01, 43-276, 43-279, 43-286, and 43-2,129, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to provide for criminal proceedings against certain juveniles charged with felonies following unsuccessful rehabilitation under the Nebraska Juvenile Code; to provide for appeals and inadmissibility of certain statements by juveniles; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 408. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to teachers; to adopt the Special Education Forgiveable Loan Program Act.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 409. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Power Review Board; to amend section 70-1003, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to membership of the board; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 410. Introduced by Cavanaugh, J., 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to require coverage of prosthetics and orthotics as prescribed; and to define terms.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 411. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Teacher Recruitment and Retention Act; to amend section 79-8,114, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to eligibility for grants; to repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 412. Introduced by Hallstrom, 1; Bosn, 25; DeBoer, 10; Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to paternity; to amend section 43-1401, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 43-1411, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to interventions in paternity actions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 413. Introduced by Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public power districts, public irrigation districts, and public power and irrigation districts; to amend section 70-655, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the setting of rates by districts as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 414. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to establish a suicide mortality review team; to define terms; to provide for powers and duties; and to require a report as prescribed.

NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING(S)

Business and Labor
Room 2102 1:30 PM

Monday, January 27, 2025

LB229
LB308
LB144
LB100
LB197

(Signed) Kathleen Kauth, Chairperson

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 415. Introduced by Ballard, 21.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Healthy Families and Workplaces Act; to amend sections 2, 3, and 4, Initiative Law 2024, No. 436; to redefine terms; to change provisions relating to paid sick time; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 416. Introduced by Dungan, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to civil procedure; to amend section 25-21,185.11, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to the effect of releases, covenants not to sue, or similar agreements on joint and several liability; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 417. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend sections 79-760.03 and 79-760.05, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide powers and duties to the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska to administer the Nebraska Promise Program; to adopt the College Promise Act; to change provisions relating to the Quality Education Accountability Act and national assessments; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 418. Introduced by Lonowski, 33; Andersen, 49; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Kauth, 31; McKeon, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Funeral Directing and Embalming Practice Act; to amend section 38-1424, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to allow a nonlicensed funeral director and embalmer to officiate at a funeral ceremony; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 419. Introduced by Lonowski, 33; Andersen, 49; Cavanaugh, J., 9; Kauth, 31; McKeon, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to veterans; to amend sections 80-316 and 80-401.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to eligibility for admission to veterans homes and veterans aid; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 420. Introduced by Nebraska Retirement Systems Committee: Ballard, 21, Chairperson; Clements, 2; Hardin, 48; Juarez, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to retirement; to amend section 84-1501, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions of the Public Employees Retirement Board as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 421. Introduced by Clouse, 37.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to gambling; to amend section 9-1204, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 9-1103, 9-1106, and 9-1110, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to define and redefine terms; to authorize an online gaming operator to conduct sports wagering by means of an online sports wagering platform under the Nebraska Racetrack Gaming Act; to provide powers and duties to the State Racing and Gaming Commission; to change provisions for the distribution of taxes collected from sports wagering; to provide an operative date; to provide severability; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

SENATOR DORN PRESIDING

LEGISLATIVE BILL 422. Introduced by Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Uniform Real Property Transfer on Death Act; to amend sections 76-3401 and 76-3410, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to required warnings on transfer on death deeds and insurance policies on certain real property; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 423. Introduced by Armendariz, 18.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to internships; to amend sections 81-1201.21 and 81-1210.04, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate a grant program relating to internships; to transfer funds; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; to outright repeal sections 81-1210.01, 81-1210.02, and 81-1210.03, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; and to declare an emergency.

SPEAKER ARCH PRESIDING

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

The Legislature's Planning Committee elected Senator DeBoer as Chairperson.

The Legislature's Planning Committee elected Senator Strommen as Vice Chairperson.

BILLS ON FIRST READING

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

LEGISLATIVE BILL 424. Introduced by Andersen, 49; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Holdcroft, 36; Kauth, 31; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to property taxes; to define terms; and to limit increases in property tax bills as prescribed.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 425. Introduced by Andersen, 49; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Clouse, 37; Holdcroft, 36; Kauth, 31; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Rountree, 3; Storer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-3506, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to change provisions relating to homestead exemptions for certain disabled veterans and surviving spouses as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 426. Introduced by Andersen, 49; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Clouse, 37; Holdcroft, 36; Kauth, 31; Lonowski, 33; McKeon, 41; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to amend sections 79-724 and 79-3501, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to authorize an American flag education program as prescribed; to change provisions relating to the distribution of lottery funds used for education; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 427. Introduced by Andersen, 49; Ballard, 21; Bosn, 25; Holdcroft, 36; Lonowski, 33; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to students; to require the State Treasurer to establish an educational savings account for students enrolled in kindergarten through twelfth grade at an approved or accredited public, private, denominational, or parochial school for use on qualified educational expenses as prescribed; to create a fund; to provide powers and duties to the State Treasurer and the State Board of Education; and to provide a penalty for fraud or theft associated with an educational savings account.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 428. Introduced by Murman, 38; Clements, 2; Conrad, 46; Ibach, 44; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend section 79-532, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions related to school policies on the involvement of parents, guardians, and educational decisionmakers in schools; and to repeal the original section.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 429. Introduced by Murman, 38; Ballard, 21; Clements, 2; DeKay, 40; Hansen, 16; Holdcroft, 36; Ibach, 44; Jacobson, 42; Kauth, 31; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33; Sanders, 45; Sorrentino, 39.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to education; to provide restrictions involving professional employees' organizations.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 430. Introduced by Murman, 38; Andersen, 49; Clements, 2; Ibach, 44; Lippincott, 34; Lonowski, 33.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to schools; to amend sections 79-265, 79-265.01, and 79-268, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to short-term and long-term suspension; to provide an additional exception to the prohibition on suspending a student in pre-kindergarten through second grade; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 431. Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Murman, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; to amend sections 28-401 and 28-405, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to prohibit kratom as a controlled substance; to define a term; and to repeal the original sections.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 432. Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Murman, 38.

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, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for execution by nitrogen hypoxia; to define terms; to transfer provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

RESOLUTION(S)

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 20CA. Introduced by Bostar, 29.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2026, the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article III, section 24:

III-24 (1) Except as provided in this section, the Legislature shall not authorize any game of chance or any lottery or gift enterprise when the consideration for a chance to participate involves the payment of money for the purchase of property, services, or a chance or admission ticket or requires an expenditure of substantial effort or time.

(2) The Legislature may authorize and regulate a state lottery pursuant to subsection (3) of this section and other lotteries, raffles, and gift enterprises

which are intended solely as business promotions or the proceeds of which are to be used solely for charitable or community betterment purposes without profit to the promoter of such lotteries, raffles, or gift enterprises.

(3)(a) The Legislature may establish a lottery to be operated and regulated by the State of Nebraska. The proceeds of the lottery shall be appropriated by the Legislature for the costs of establishing and maintaining the lottery and for the following purposes, as directed by the Legislature:

(i) The first five hundred thousand dollars after the payment of prizes and operating expenses shall be transferred to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund;

(ii) Forty-four and one-half percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund to be used as provided in the Nebraska Environmental Trust Act;

(iii) Forty-four and one-half percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be used for education as the Legislature may direct;

(iv) Ten percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the Nebraska State Fair Board if the most populous city within the county in which the fair is located provides matching funds equivalent to ten percent of the funds available for transfer. Such matching funds may be obtained from the city and any other private or public entity, except that no portion of such matching funds shall be provided by the state. If the Nebraska State Fair ceases operations, ten percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the General Fund; and

(v) One percent of the money remaining after the payment of prizes and operating expenses and the initial transfer to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be transferred to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund.

(b) No lottery game shall be conducted as part of the lottery unless the type of game has been approved by a majority of the members of the Legislature.

(4) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit (a) the enactment of laws providing for the licensing and regulation of wagering on the results of horseraces, wherever run, either within or outside of the state, by the parimutuel method, when such wagering is conducted by licensees within a licensed racetrack enclosure or (b) the enactment of laws providing for the licensing and regulation of bingo games conducted by nonprofit associations which have been in existence for a period of five years immediately preceding the application for license, except that bingo games cannot be conducted by agents or lessees of such associations on a percentage basis.

(5) This section shall not apply to any law which is enacted contemporaneously with the adoption of this subsection or at any time thereafter and which provides for the licensing, authorization, regulation, or

taxation of all forms of games of chance when such games of chance are conducted by authorized gaming operators within a licensed racetrack enclosure. Any authorized gaming operator conducting sports wagering within a licensed racetrack enclosure may allow a sports wager to be placed by means of a mobile or electronic platform that is offered by or in partnership with such authorized gaming operator as long as the individual placing the sports wager is located inside the State of Nebraska at the time the sports wager is placed.

Sec. 2. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the electors in the manner prescribed by the Constitution of Nebraska, Article XVI, section 1, with the following ballot language:

A constitutional amendment to permit an authorized gaming operator conducting sports wagering within a licensed racetrack enclosure to allow a sports wager to be placed by an individual located within the State of Nebraska at the time the individual places the sports wager by means of a mobile or electronic platform.

For

Against.

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 21. Introduced by Lippincott, 34; Ballard, 21; Murman, 38

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

1. That the Legislature hereby makes an application to Congress, as provided by Article V of the Constitution of the United States, to call a convention limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States House of Representatives and to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected as a member of the United States Senate.

2. That the Clerk of the Legislature shall transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Secretary of the United States Senate, to the Speaker and Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, to the chairperson of the United States House Committee on the Judiciary, to each member of the Nebraska Congressional delegation, and to the presiding officers of each of the legislative houses in the several states requesting their cooperation.

3. That this application shall be considered as covering the same subject matter as the applications from other states to Congress to call a convention to set a limit on the number of terms that a person may be elected to the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate and this application shall be aggregated with the applications from other states for the purpose of attaining the two-thirds of states necessary to require Congress to call a limited convention on this subject but shall not be aggregated with any other applications on any other subject.

4. This application constitutes a continuing application in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States until the legislatures

of at least two-thirds of the several states have made applications on the same subject.

Laid over.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducer(s)

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

Senator Quick name added to LB90.
Senator Raybould name added to LB153.
Senator Raybould name added to LB159.
Senator Conrad name added to LB268.
Senator Conrad name added to LB272.
Senator Spivey name added to LB287.
Senator Conrad name added to LB304.
Senator Conrad name added to LB342.
Senator Conrad name added to LB381.

VISITOR(S)

The Doctor of the Day was Dr. Dale Michels, Lincoln.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:18 p.m., on a motion by Senator McKeon, the Legislature adjourned until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 21, 2025.

Brandon Metzler
Clerk of the Legislature