

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 278CA

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

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Committee: Education

1 THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA,
2 SECOND SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

3 Section 1. At the general election in November 2024, the following
4 proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to
5 the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

6 To amend Article VII, section 3:

7 VII-3 (1) Until the terms commencing in 2027, the The State Board of
8 Education shall be composed of eight members, who shall be elected from
9 eight districts of substantially equal population as provided by the
10 Legislature. Beginning with the terms commencing in 2027, the State Board
11 of Education shall have seven members. The Governor shall appoint two
12 members subject to the approval of the Legislature. At the statewide
13 general election in 2026, one member shall be elected from each
14 congressional district and two members shall be elected at large.

15 (2) The Their term of office shall be for four years each. Their
16 duties and powers shall be prescribed by the Legislature, and they shall
17 receive no compensation, but shall be reimbursed their actual expense
18 incurred in the performance of their duties. The members of the State
19 Board of Education shall not be actively engaged in the educational
20 profession, and they shall be elected on a nonpartisan ballot.

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

- 1 A constitutional amendment to change membership provisions for the
- 2 State Board of Education.
- 3 For
- 4 Against.