

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

SECOND SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 338**

Introduced by Riepe, 12.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to propose an interim study to examine health care delivery systems situated in rural areas, defined as all counties except Douglas, Lancaster, and Sarpy. This study shall focus on, but need not be limited to:

(1) Identifying legal barriers and operational impediments within the statutory framework governing health care delivery systems in rural areas;

(2) Assessing emerging technologies, procedures, and protocols to enhance operational efficiency of health care delivery systems in rural areas;

(3) Analyzing census figures, utilization rates, and identifying potential or ongoing shortages to inform strategic decision-making for health care delivery systems in rural areas;

(4) Staffing and education needs of health care delivery systems in rural areas;

(5) Funding of health care delivery systems in rural areas including medical assistance program utilization; and

(6) Any other areas of interest as deemed necessary by the committee.

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

1. That the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct an interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.