

LEGISLATIVE BILL 569

Approved by the Governor January 22, 1974

Introduced by Judiciary Committee, Luedtke, 28, Chmn.
for the Governor

AN ACT to amend section 83-145, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1973, relating to Department of Correctional Services-made goods; to provide for a standard of quality and materials; and to repeal the original section.

Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

Section 1. That section 83-145, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1973, be amended to read as follows:

83-145. All departments, institutions and agencies of this state, which are supported in whole or in part by taxation for state purposes, and all counties and other governmental subdivisions of this state shall purchase from the Department of Correctional Services all articles required by the departments, institutions and agencies of the state, or by the counties or other governmental subdivisions, produced or manufactured by offenders or misdemeanants confined in the Nebraska Penal and Correctional Complex, or elsewhere, including products of any farms operated by the department unless such articles of equal quality and materials could be purchased from another supplier at a lesser cost. The quality and materials must be certified as being equal by the Director of Corrections. No such article shall be purchased by any department, institution or agency of the state from any other source unless excepted from the provisions of this section as provided in sections 83-144 to 83-152. Printing by offenders or misdemeanants shall be restricted to such as may be required at the various institutions under the jurisdiction of the department. No products of any institutional printing plant shall be sold in competition with outside labor. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit the department from exchanging Department of Correctional Services-made goods with other states. Goods received from divisions of corrections outside of Nebraska shall be of the same status and will be subject to the same restrictions and penalties as if they had been manufactured in the Nebraska Department of Correctional Services. In cases of exchange of Department of Correctional Services-made goods with other states, the department is authorized to pay or receive in cash any differences that may exist in the articles exchanged, the amounts paid or received to be charged or credited to the Nebraska State Use System

of Department of Correctional Services Employment Fund. In exchange of Department of Correctional Services-made goods with other states, the goods received in exchange shall be restricted to such use and needs as may be required in the various institutions under the jurisdiction of the department. Any authorized agency, bureau, commission, or department of the federal government may purchase from the Department of Correctional Services goods produced or manufactured by offenders or misdemeanants confined in the Nebraska Penal and Correctional Complex, or elsewhere, including products of any farms operated by the department.

Sec. 2. That original section 83-145, Revised Statutes Supplement, 1973, is repealed.