

Boards and Commissions in Nebraska, 2005

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Introduction

Nebraska has some 224 statutorily created boards, commissions, and other similar entities (hereinafter, collectively referred to as boards). Among the many tasks assigned to them, boards provide oversight of governmental programs, regulate licensed professionals, carry out studies, oversee implementation of new programs, advocate for certain constituencies, and advise state agencies.

In 1997, the Executive Board of the Legislative Council requested that the Legislative Research Division compile and annually update a list of statutorily created boards. This publication contains that list. The list does not purposefully include (1) boards created by executive order, by agency rule or regulation, or pursuant to federal mandates, unless enacted via state statute; (2) commissions or councils created pursuant to interstate compacts; or (3) boards created via state statute but which serve local governments.

Legislative Action Affecting Boards and Commissions

In 2005, the Legislature created eight new boards and eliminated three. Additionally, the Legislature passed LB 241, pertaining to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee's task of biennially reviewing the function and status of all boards created by state law. LB 241 mandates the review, which includes a comprehensive report, be done every four years beginning in 2008.

New Boards

Committee to Carry Out the Purposes of the Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnership Act (LB 90). This committee, composed of staff from the state departments of Economic Development and Agriculture, was given the task of promulgating rules and regulations to carry out the Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnerships Act.

Work Group to Develop Recommendations for the Training of Youth Service Workers (LB 259). This work group was established to develop recommendations for training youth services workers employed by entities licensed by the Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure for the care or treatment of youth in out-of-home placements. The work group must submit its recommendations for providing and funding training for youth services workers on or before December 1, 2005, and terminates thereafter.

Regional Interoperability Advisory Board (LB 343). This advisory board was created to give advice to the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) Division of Communications on the formation, expansion, and enhancement of regional communication systems so that emergency personnel, among others, in the same geographic area can communicate with one another. Members are appointed by the Governor and must include: one representative each of the DAS Division of Communications and the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency, and four representatives of regional communication systems. The advisory board terminates on January 1, 2009. The advisory board, to some extent, replaces the Public Safety Wireless Communication Board, which was disbanded via LB 343. The Public Safety Wireless Communications Board was created to advise the Legislature on making the various public safety communications systems compatible statewide. However, the plan for immediate statewide compatibility was deemed too costly. LB 343 essentially recognizes the regional approach to public safety communications is a more frugal alternative.

Medical Radiographer Advisory Committee (LB 453). This advisory committee was created to advise the Department of Health and Human Services Regulation and Licensure in matters pertaining to the licensing and regulation of medical radiographers. The advisory committee members include the director of the division of credentialing within the department, who serves as chairperson, and four medical radiographers licensed by the department and appointed by the State Board of Health.

Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission (LB 546). This commission was created to spur economic development between Omaha and Lincoln. The intent of LB 546 is to allow for the creation of multi-county commissions to encourage regional economic development along what the bill terms the Interstate 80 corridor. However, only the one commission linking the economic interests of the communities joined by I-80 between Omaha and Lincoln is expressly created via LB 546. The commission members include representatives from Douglas, Sarpy, Lancaster, Saunders, and Washington counties, the cities of Lincoln and Omaha, cities of the second class and villages in those counties, the University of Nebraska, the community college areas, and the Papio Missouri River and the Lower Platte South natural resources districts. The provisions of the Nebraska Opportunity Zone Act terminate on December 31, 2010.

Broadband Services Task Force (LB 645). This task force was created to study whether it is a good idea to allow public power systems and political subdivisions to provide telecommunication services, including wireless, Internet, broadband, and video ser-

vices. Among the topics to be studied are an evaluation of the need for wholesale communications services in Nebraska, the regulation and taxation of wholesale services, and the availability of public power infrastructure to provide services. The task force has 18 members, three appointed by the Executive Board of the Legislative Council; six appointed by the Governor; three members of the Public Service Commission; three members of the Nebraska Power Review Board or their designees; and three members of the Nebraska Information Technology Commission or their designees. The task force terminates on December 1, 2006.

Distance Education Task Force (LB 689). This task force was created to develop a plan to improve and coordinate distance education. The membership of the task force includes the chairperson and one other member of the Legislature's Education Committee; the chairperson and one other member of the Legislature's Transportation and Telecommunications Committee; a representative each from educational service units, distance education consortia, the State Department of Education (the latter with expertise in technology infrastructure), and the Public Service Commission; two representatives each of the Nebraska Information Technology Commission and postsecondary education (the latter with expertise in technology infrastructure, distance education, or dual-enrollment courses); one representative of the Governor; two members who are either school district superintendents or public school principals; and one member from the Nebraska Educational Telecommunications Commission with expertise in technology infrastructure or distance education. The task force terminates on December 31, 2005.

Medicaid Reform Advisory Council (LB 709). The council was created to advise the Governor and the Chairperson of the Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee regarding the Medicaid reform plan envisioned in LB 709. The council must consist of at least one representative from each of the following groups: health-care providers, health-care consumers and consumer advocates, business representatives, insurers, and elected officials. The Governor and the chairperson each appoint five of the council's members.

Repeated Boards

- *Advisory Council of Certified Nurse Anesthetists (LB 256).*
- *Technical Advisory Committee to the Natural Resources Data Bank (LB 342).*
- *Public Safety Wireless Communication Board (LB 343).*

Actions Affecting Existing Boards

This annual publication does not track every change made to existing boards. However, significant changes (for example, changes affecting a board's structure, function, funding, or termination date) are briefly noted below.

Nebraska Hall of Fame Commission (LB 37). The commission is required to hold public hearings on finalists for induction into the Nebraska Hall of Fame in each of the state's three congressional districts prior to selecting one for induction into the Hall of Fame. LB 37 also requires that the Governor, when making future appointments to the commission, must consider gender and ethnic diversity and the nominee's appreciation for the history and culture of the state.

Public Service Commission (LBs 247 and 516). In LB 247, the commission's duties are clarified to assert its jurisdiction over contract carriers, competitive natural gas providers, and jurisdictional utilities for a violation of a statute, rule, or regulation. In LB 516, the commission is given authority to apply for, or assist a political subdivision to apply for, and distribute any federal or other funds available for 911 service or E-911 service.

Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Board of (LB 256). This board is given oversight authority for all advanced practice registered nurses and advanced nursing practice specialties, a job that previously fell jointly to the Board of Nursing and the Board of Medicine and Surgery. The board's membership is also changed to include one nurse practitioner, one certified nurse midwife, one certified registered nurse anesthetist, one clinical nurse specialist, three physicians, and two public members.

Commission on the Status of Women (LB 425). The commission regains state funding with an appropriation of \$200,000 in fiscal years 2005-2006 and 2006-2007. State funding for the commission was eliminated in the 2003 legislative session, although the commission continued to operate until April 2005, when it ran out of private funding.

Environmental Quality Council (LB 351). The council gains a new member (increasing membership to 17) who must be a biologist. Additionally, for future appointments, the at-large member must be selected from a minority population.

Public Employees Retirement Board (LB 364). Six of the eight appointed members of the board can be either active or retired members of one of the five state-administered retirement systems.

Previously, four of the appointed members had to be active members of a retirement system.

Board of Cosmetology Examiners (LB 382). The board grows from 11 to 12 members with the addition of a practitioner of body art to its membership.

Nebraska Investment Council (LB 503). Newly appointed council members must have at least seven years' experience in the field of investment management or analysis or have at least 12 years of experience in the financial management of a public or private organization. They will also be paid more. The per diem for appointed members of the council rises from \$20 to \$75.

Capitol Commission (LB 684). The Speaker of the Legislature, already a member of the commission, is named its vice chairperson.

Foster Care Review Board (LB 761). Beginning January 1, 2006, the makeup of the Foster Care Review Board changes and grows by two members. After that date, the membership must consist of three members of local foster care review boards, one from each congressional district; one pediatrician; one child clinical psychologist; one social worker with expertise in the area of child welfare; one attorney who is or has been a guardian ad litem; one representative of a statewide child advocacy group; one director of a child advocacy center; one director of a court appointed special advocate program; and one member of the public with a background in business or finance. To the extent possible, members should equally represent the three congressional districts.

Nebraska Boards and Commissions Tables

The following tables list statutorily created boards and commissions. The first table lists those boards created during the 2005 legislative session and the second table provides, it is hoped, a comprehensive list of all of Nebraska's boards, with the exception of those entities as noted in the introduction. Additionally, termination dates refer to the termination date listed in statute for that particular board; however, terminated boards and commissions continue to be listed until they are actually removed from statute.

TABLE 1

Nebraska Boards and Commissions Created by the Legislature in 2005

Board/Commission	Bill Number	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses	Per Diem
1. Committee to Carry Out the Purposes of the Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnership Act	LB 90	2-5423			No	
2. Work Group to Develop Recommendations for the Training of Youth Service Workers	LB 259	43-2414		Dec. 1, 2005	No	
3. Regional Interoperability Advisory Board	LB 343	86-418.01		Jan. 1, 2009	Yes	
4. Medical Radiographer Advisory Committee	LB 453	71-3512			Yes	
5. Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission	LB 546	81-12,123		Dec. 31, 2010	Yes	
6. Broadband Services Task Force	LB 645	86-599		Dec. 1, 2006	No	
7. Distance Education Enhancement Task Force	LB 689	79-1329		Dec. 31, 2005	Yes	
8. Medicaid Reform Advisory Council	LB 709	68-1093			Yes	

TABLE 2

Nebraska Boards and Commissions

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
1. Abstractors Board of Examiners	76-540			Y	\$50
2. Accountability and Disclosure Commission, Nebraska	49-14, 105	✓		Y	\$50
3. Accreditation Committee, State	79-703			N	
4. Advanced Practice Registered Nurses, Board of	71-17,134			Y	\$30
5. Aeronautics Commission, Nebraska	3-104			Y	
6. Affirmative Action Committee	81-1363			Y	
7. Affordable Housing Committee, Nebraska	81-1281			Y	
8. Aging Advisory Committee	68-1101			Y	
9. Agricultural Opportunities and Value-Added Partnership Act, Committee to Carry out the Purposes of the	2-5423			N	
10. Alcohol and Drug Counseling, Board of	71-112			Y	
11. Anatomical Board, State	71-1001			N	
12. Appraisers for Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	72-22403(1)			Y	\$50
13. Aquaculture Board	2-5003			Y	
14. Arts Council, Nebraska	82-309	✓		Y	
15. Athletic Advisory Committee	81-8, 139.01			Y	
16. Athletic Training, Board of Examiners in	71-112			Y	\$20

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
17. Audiology and Speech Language Pathology, Board of Examiners in	71-112			Y	\$20
18. Barber Examiners, Board of	71-221			Y	\$75
19. Beginning Farmer Board	77-5204	✓		Y	
20. Behavioral Health Council, State	71-813			Y	
21. Behavioral Health Oversight Commission of the Legislature	71-818	✓ ²	6/30/08	Y	
22. Biopower Steering Committee	66-1701			12/31/08	Y
23. Blind and Visually Impaired, Commission for the	71-8604	✓		Y	\$70
24. Boiler Safety Code Advisory Board	48-739	✓		Y	\$50
25. Brand Committee, Nebraska	54-135			Y	
26. Breast and Cervical Cancer Advisory Committee	71-7012			Y	
27. Broadband Services Task Force	86-599			12/1/06	N
28. Building Renewal, Task Force for (LB 309 Task Force)	81-174			Y	Y
29. Canvassers, Board of State	32-1037			N	
30. Capitol Commission, Nebraska	81-1108-32			Y	
31. Capitol Enviros Commission, Nebraska State	90-306			N	
32. Capital Facilities Planning Committee, State Comprehensive	81-1108-41			Y	
33. Carbon Sequestration Advisory Committee	2-5302			Y	
34. Child Abuse Prevention Fund Board, Nebraska	43-1903	✓		Y	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
35. Child Death Review Team	71-3406			Y	
36. Chiropractic, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
37. Claims Board, State	81-8, 220			Y	4
38. Climate Assessment Response Committee	2-4901	✓		Y	
39. Collection Agency Licensing Board	45-603			Y	
40. Community College Aid, Grant, and Contract Review Committee, Nebraska	85-1539			N	
41. Community Corrections Council	47-622	✓ ⁵		Y	
42. Community Development Block Grant Program Advisory Committee	81-1201.08			Y	
43. Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act, State Board to Administer the	13-2603			N	
44. Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education	85-1403	✓		Y	
45. Com Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-3604			Y	\$25
46. Cosmetology Examiners, Board of	71-373			Y	\$50
47. County Attorney Standards Advisory Council	23-1213			Y	
48. County, Highway, and City Street Superintendents, Board of Examiners for	39-2301			Y	
49. Crime Victim's Reparations Committee	81-1802	✓		Y	
50. Critical Incident Stress Management Council	71-7105			N	
51. Dairy Industry Development Board, Nebraska	2-3951			Y	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
52. Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Commission for the	71-4720	✓		Y	
53. Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Special Committee for the Commission for the	71-4728.03			N	
54. Dentistry, Board of	71-1112			Y	
55. Developmental Disabilities, Advisory Committee on	83-1212.01			Y	
56. Developmental Disabilities, Workgroup on Special Services for Persons with (LB 297 Workgroup)	83-1216			12/1/04	N
57. Dispute Resolution, Advisory Council on	25-2905			Y	
58. Distance Education Enhancement Task Force	79-1329		12/31/05	Y	
59. Donor Registry of Nebraska Advisory Board	71-4823			N	
60. Dry Bean Commission	2-3745			Y	
61. Early Childhood Interagency Coordinating Council	43-3401			Y	
62. Economic Development Commission	81-1201.02			Y	
63. Economic Forecasting Advisory Board, Nebraska	77-27, 156			Y	
64. Education, State Board of	79-301; Const. Art. VII, sec. 3			Y	
65. Educational Finance Authority, Nebraska	85-1710			Y	
66. Educational Lands and Funds, Board of	72-201	✓		Y	\$40
67. Educational Technology Consortium, State	79-1301			N	
68. Educational Telecommunications Commission, Nebraska	79-1313	✓		Y	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
69. Electrical Board, State	81-2103	✓		Y	
70. Elementary and Secondary School Finance Authority, Nebraska	79-1810			Y	
71. Emergency Medical Services, Board of	71-5176	✓		Y	
72. Employment Security Law Advisory Council, State	48-610			Y	\$40
73. Engineers and Architects, Board of	81-3428			Y	\$45
74. Enhanced Wireless 911 Advisory Board	86-461			Y	
75. Environmental Health Specialists, Board of Registration for	71-3705.01			Y	\$25
76. Environmental Quality Council	81-1503	✓		Y	\$40
77. Environmental Quality, Technical Advisory Committee for the Department of	81-15, 189		3/1/02	Y	
78. Environmental Trust Board, Nebraska	81-15, 170	✓		Y	
79. Equal Opportunity Commission, Nebraska	48-1116			Y	\$50
80. Ethanol Board, Advisory Committee to the ⁶	66-1337			N	
81. Ethanol Board, Nebraska	66-1335	✓		Y	\$25
82. Excellence in Education Council	9-812			N	
83. Families With Special Housing Needs, Advisory Committee on	68-1605			N	
84. Fire Safety Appeals Board, Nebraska	81-502.01			Y	
85. Foster Care Review Board	43-1302	✓		Y	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
86. Funeral Directing and Embalming, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
87. Game and Parks Commission	37-101	✓		Y	\$35
88. Geographic Information System Steering Committee	86-570			Y	
89. Geologists, Board of	81-3520			Y	7
90. Governor's Residence Advisory Commission	72-2101			Y	
91. Grain Sorghum Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board	2-4002			Y	
92. Grape and Winery Board, Nebraska	53-301			Y	
93. Greenbelt Advisory Committee	77-1355			Y	
94. Hall of Fame Commission, Nebraska	72-724			N	
95. Health Advisory Board (Nebraska Department of Motor Vehicles)	60-4,118.02			Y	
96. Health Care Council, Nebraska	71-7614			Y	
97. Health Professions, Technical Advisory Committee for the Regulation of	71-6224			Y	
98. Health, State Board of	71-2601	✓		Y	\$20
99. Hearing Aid Instrument Dispensers and Fitters, Board of	71-4715			Y	\$25
100. Highway Commission, State	39-1101	✓		Y	\$20
101. Historical Society Board of Trustees, Nebraska State	82-101			Y	
102. Housing Advisory Committee to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund	58-704			N	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
103. Indian Affairs, Commission on	81-2501			Y	\$50
104. Indigent Defense Standards Advisory Council	29-3932			Y	
105. Industrial Competitiveness Alliance Board	81-1201.14			N	
106. Industrial Relations, Commission of	48-803	✓		Y	\$250
107. Information Technology Commission, Nebraska	86-515	✓		Y	
108. Information Technology Commission, Technology Review Panel for the Nebraska	86-521			N	
109. Inquiry and Review, Board of (Department of Veterans' Affairs)	80-318			Y	
110. Interagency Management Committee (to the Critical Incident Stress Management Committee)	71-7106			N	
111. Intergovernmental Data Communications Advisory Council	86-539			Y	
112. Interpreter Review Board	71-4728.05			Y	
113. Interrelated Water Review Board ⁸	46-719			N	
114. Invest Nebraska Board	77-5508			N	
115. Investment Council, Nebraska	72-1237	✓		Y	\$75
116. Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska	58-226			Y	
117. Jail Standards Board	83-4,124			Y	
118. Judicial Branch Education Advisory Committee	24-205.01			N	
119. Judicial Nominating Commission	24-801			N	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Pcr Dims
120. Judicial Qualifications Commission	24-715			Y	
121. Judicial Resources Commission	24-1201			Y	
122. Juvenile Justice, Nebraska Coalition for	43-2411			Y	
123. Land Surveyors, Board of Examiners for	81-8,110			Y	
124. Landscape Architects, State Board of	81-8,186			Y	
125. Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice, Nebraska Commission on	81-1416			Y	
126. Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Commission, Nebraska	81-8,307		12/31/07	Y	
127. Library Commission, Nebraska	51-401			Y	
128. Liquor Control Commission, Nebraska	53-105	✓		Y	9
129. Livestock Auction Market Board	54-1160			Y ¹⁰	\$50
130. Massage Therapy, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
131. Medicaid Reform Advisory Council	68-1093			Y	
132. Medical Nutrition Therapy, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
133. Medical Radiographer Advisory Committee	71-3512			Y	
134. Medical Review Panel	44-2841			Y	\$50
135. Medicine and Surgery, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
136. Mental Health Practice, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
137. Mental Health Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-814			Y	
138. Mexican-Americans, Commission on	81-8,262			Y	\$35

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
139. Motor Fuel Trust Fund, Committee to Oversee the	66-737			N	
140. Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board	60-1402	✓		Y	\$50
141. Motor Vehicle Insurance Data Base Task Force	60-302.05		7/1/04 ¹¹	N	
142. Natural Resources Commission, Nebraska	2-1504	12		Y	\$50
143. Nebraska Innovation Zone Commission	81-12,123		12/31/10	Y	
144. Niobrara Council	72-2007			Y	
145. Nursing Board, Nebraska Center for	71-1799			Y	
146. Nursing, Board of	71-1,132.07			Y	\$30 ¹³
147. Nursing Home Administration, Board of Examiners in	71-6065			Y	\$20
148. Nursing Home Advisory Council	71-6044			Y	
149. Occupational Therapy Practice, Board of	71-6115			Y	
150. Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, Nebraska	57-904	✓		Y	\$50
151. Optometry, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
152. Pardons, Board of	83-1,126			N	
153. Parole, Board of	83-188	✓		N	14
154. Peer Review and Quality Assurance Panel (Department of Correctional Services)	83-4,164			N	
155. Personnel Board, State	81-1318	✓		Y	
156. Pharmacy, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
157. Physical Therapy, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
158. Physician Assistant Committee	71-1,107.25			Y	
159. Podiatry, Board of	71-1112			Y	\$30
160. Police Standards Advisory Council	81-1406			Y	
161. Potato Development Committee, Nebraska	2-1803			Y	
162. Poultry and Egg Development, Utilization, and Marketing Committee, Nebraska	2-3404			Y	\$25
163. Power Review Board, Nebraska	70-1003	✓		Y	\$60
164. Private Onsite Wastewater Treatment System Advisory Committee	81-15,245			Y	
165. Private Postsecondary Career Schools Advisory Council	85-1607			N	
166. Private Postsecondary Career Schools Tuition Recovery Cash Fund Advisory Committee	85-1655			N	
167. Problem Gambling and Addiction Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-816			Y	
168. Professional Practices Commission	79-861			Y	
169. Propane Education and Research Council	66-1617			N	
170. Psychologists, Board of	71-1112			Y	
171. Public Accountancy, Educational Advisory Committee to the Board of	1-113			N	
172. Public Accountancy, Nebraska State Board of	1-107			Y	\$100
173. Public Advocacy, Commission on	29-3923			Y	
174. Public Employees Retirement Board	84-1501	✓		Y	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses¹	Per Diems
175. Public Health Clinic Formulary Advisory Committee	71-1, 147.59			N	
176. Public Roads Classifications and Standards, Board of	39-2106	✓		Y	\$20
177. Public Service Commission	Ne. Const, Art. IV, sec. 20			N	¹⁵
178. Public Water Supply, Advisory Council on	71-5311			Y	
179. Quality Jobs Board	77-4908			N	
180. Quarter Design Committee, Nebraska State	90-120			Y	
181. Racial Profiling Advisory Committee	20-506			4/1/06 ¹⁶	
182. Racing Commission, State	2-1201			Y	
183. Railway Council, Nebraska	74-1403	✓		Y	\$60
184. Real Estate Appraiser Board	76-2222			Y	\$100
185. Real Estate Commission, State	81-885.07			Y	\$100 ¹⁷
186. Redevelopment Board, Nebraska	58-503			N	
187. Regional Interoperability Advisory Board	86-418.01		1/1/09	Y	
188. Residual Malpractice Insurance Authority	44-2837			N	
189. Respiratory Care Practice, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
190. Rural Development Commission	81-3601			Y	
191. Rural Health Advisory Commission	71-5654	✓		Y	
192. Safety Center Advisory Council	85-1008			N	
193. School Districts, State Committee for the Reorganization of	79-435			Y	

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses¹	Per Diems
194. Small Business Compliance Advisory Panel	81-1505.3	18		Y	
195. Small Employer Health Reinsurance Board, Nebraska	44-5261			N	
196. State Colleges, Board of Trustees of Nebraska	85-301	✓		Y	
197. State Disbursement and Child Support Advisory Commission	43-3342.05	19		Y	
198. State Fair Board, Nebraska	2-101	✓ ²⁰		N	
199. State Records Board	84-1204			Y	
200. Substance Abuse Services, State Advisory Committee on	71-815			Y	
201. Suggestion Award Board	81-1348			Y	
202. Tax Equalization and Review Commission	Const. Art. IX, sec. 2877-5003	✓		Y	²¹
203. Teacher Education and Certification, Advisory Committee to Assist the State Board of Education in Matters of	79-808			Y	
204. Teen Tobacco Education and Prevention Project Committee	71-5715			2004 ²²	Y
205. Telecommunications Relay System Act, Special Committee to Administer the	86-315				N
206. Telecommunications Universal Service Fund Advisory Board	86-327				N
207. Transit and Rail Advisory Council, Nebraska	74-1504	✓			Y
208. Trauma Advisory Board, State	71-8236				Y

Board/Commission	Statute	Legislative Confirmation Required	Termination Date	Expenses ¹	Per Diems
209. University of Nebraska Board of Regents	Const. Art. VI, Sec 10 & 85-103			Y	
210. Vacant Building and Excess Land Committee	72-812			N	
211. Veterans' Advisory Commission	80-401.06			Y	
212. Veterans Cemetery Advisory Board, Nebraska	12-1301			Y	
213. Veterinary Medicine and Surgery, Board of	71-112			Y	\$30
214. Vocational Education, State Board of ²³	79-321			Y	
215. Vote Nebraska Initiative	32-1701			Y	
216. Water Policy Task Force	46-2,132			12/31/09	
217. Water Well Standards and Contractors Licensing Board	46-1217			Y	
218. Wheat Development, Utilization, and Marketing Board, Nebraska	2-2302			Y	
219. Women, Nebraska Commission on the Status of	81-8,255			N	
220. Women's Health Initiative Advisory Council	71-702			12/31/09	Y
221. Worker Training Board, Nebraska	48-622.03			N	
222. Workforce Investment Board, Nebraska	48-1623			N	
223. Wyuka Cemetery Board of Trustees	12-101			N	
224. Youth Service Workers, Work Group to Develop Recommendations for the Training of	43-2414			12/1/05	N

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Endnotes

General note: As per Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 71-112, the professional boards in the various health-related fields receive expenses as well as a per diem not to exceed \$30. Additionally, the per diem and expenses cannot be greater than “is received in fees from the applicants taking the examination in any particular profession”. Each individual board sets its own per diem within those parameters. Additionally, these boards may set per diems and pay the expenses up to this rate for any subcommittees they create. The per diems listed here were provided by the Health and Human Services Department of Regulation and Licensure Credentialing Division.

¹ A “Y” in this column indicates that a provision authorizing expenses exists in the statute creating the board or commission; an “N” indicates the enacting statute makes no mention of allowing expenses. However, Neb. Rev. Stat. secs. 81-1177, 81-1179, and 81-1180 provide that all statutory boards and commissions are entitled to expense reimbursement.

² Confirmation is required by a majority of the Legislature’s Health and Human Services Committee members.

³ Compensation for the Task Force for Building Renewal members is “established by the Governor on a per diem basis . . .”

⁴ Claims Board members are the Director of Insurance, Commissioner of Labor, and the Director of Administrative Services, who shall “receive no compensation for their services except that provided by law for the offices they hold . . .”

⁵ Legislative confirmation is required for the seven members who are gubernatorial appointees.

⁶ The advisory committee is an ad hoc, informal entity comprised of representatives from the University of Nebraska, the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Agriculture, and the State Energy Office that provides counsel to the Ethanol Board on an as needed basis, according to Todd Sneller, executive director of the Ethanol Board.

⁷ LB 1161 states, “Each member of the board shall receive as compensation the same per diem and travel expenses as other state employees for each day actually spent in traveling to and while attending sessions of the board and its committees or authorized meetings of the National Association of State Boards of Geology, or their subdivisions or committees, and all necessary expenses incident to the performance of his or her duties under the Geologists Regulation Act as provided in sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.”

⁸ “The board, when appointed and convened, shall continue in existence only until it has resolved a dispute referred to it pursuant [to statute].” Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 46-719(1a).

- ⁹ The Liquor Control Commission members are salaried. Neb. Rev. Stat. sec. 53-112 states this annual salary is “not to exceed” \$12,500.
- ¹⁰ The Livestock Auction Board is a three-person board with one appointed member, who receives expenses.
- ¹¹ The director of Motor Vehicles can reconvene the task force as deemed necessary.
- ¹² The Legislature confirms the three gubernatorial appointees to the 16-member commission.
- ¹³ The Board of Nursing statute authorizes up to a \$100 per diem.
- ¹⁴ The Parole Board is salaried.
- ¹⁵ Public Service Commission members receive an annual salary of \$50,000.
- ¹⁶ The advisory commission does not have a termination date per se, but is given no statutory role once the collection period for racial profiling data ends on April 1, 2006.
- ¹⁷ The chairman of the Real Estate Commission is the Secretary of State and does not receive a per diem.
- ¹⁸ Four of the seven members of the panel are selected by the Legislature.
- ¹⁹ The Executive Board of the Legislature appoints nine of 12 members.
- ²⁰ Four of the 11 members are appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Legislature.
- ²¹ By statute, the members of the Tax Equalization and Review Commission are considered employees of the state.
- ²² The committee is no longer awarding grants and exists only statutorily while the Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Commission continues to administer the remaining multiple-year grants. See, Laws 2003, LB 574.
- ²³ Membership is comprised of the State Board of Education.