

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 9

Introduced by Fulton, 29.

WHEREAS, the State of Nebraska holds an interest in preventing illegal immigration and securing the public health, safety, and welfare against terrorism and criminal activity; and

WHEREAS, protection of the public health, safety, and welfare is most effectively accomplished by the utilization of federal, state, and local law enforcement resources; and

WHEREAS, section 287(g) of the federal Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 authorizes the United States Secretary of Homeland Security to enter into agreements with municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies granting designated officers the authority to perform immigration law enforcement functions, pursuant to a memorandum of agreement; and

WHEREAS, the memorandum of agreement allows municipal, county, and state law enforcement officers to receive the appropriate training in immigration law enforcement from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement officers; and

WHEREAS, memoranda of agreement with other municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies have improved immigration law enforcement in several states.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE

HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature encourages all municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies in Nebraska to respectively enter into memoranda of agreement, authorized by section 287(g) of the federal Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996, with the United States Department of Homeland Security to perform immigration law enforcement functions.

2. That a copy of this resolution be delivered to all municipal, county, and state law enforcement agencies in the State of Nebraska.