## **FOURTH DAY - JANUARY 11, 2010**

#### LEGISLATIVE JOURNAL

## ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE SECOND SESSION

#### FOURTH DAY

Legislative Chamber, Lincoln, Nebraska Monday, January 11, 2010

#### PRAYER

The prayer was offered by Senator Coash.

#### ROLL CALL

Pursuant to adjournment, the Legislature met at 10:00 a.m., Speaker Flood presiding.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Ashford, Christensen, Langemeier, and Stuthman who were excused until they arrive.

## CORRECTIONS FOR THE JOURNAL

The Journal for the third day was approved.

Committee

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### REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Executive Board submits the following report:

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LB779	Revenue
LB780	Business and Labor
LB781	Urban Affairs
LB782	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB783	General Affairs
LB784	Judiciary
LB785	Natural Resources
LB786	General Affairs
LB787	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB788	General Affairs
LB789	Revenue
LB790	Health and Human Services
LB791	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB792	Judiciary
LB793	Appropriations
LR276CA	Revenue

(Signed) John Wightman, Chairperson **Executive Board** 

#### MOTION - Print in Journal

Senator Council filed the following motion to <u>LB307</u>:

Recommit to Judiciary Committee.

#### REPORT OF REGISTERED LOBBYISTS

Following is a list of all lobbyists who have registered as of January 8, 2010, in accordance with Section 49-1481, Revised Statutes of Nebraska. Additional lobbyists who have registered will be filed weekly.

> (Signed) Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature

#### Abboud, Chris

Agri-Business Association, Nebraska

Brain Injury Association of America

Manheim's Omaha Auto Auction

Monsanto

Omaha Police Union, Local 101

Adair, Peggy

CASA for Douglas County

League of Women Voters of Nebraska

Adams, Donald D., Jr.

Nebraskans First, Inc.

Adams, John H.

International Gamco, Inc.

Alberts, Dan

Third Planet Windpower

Amack, Angela K.

Columbus Public Schools

Electrical Workers, International Brotherhood of

Fire Fighters Association, Nebraska Professional

**Grand Island Public Schools** 

American Communications Group, Inc.

American Cancer Society

American Heart Association

American Wind Energy Association

Amputee Coalition of Nebraska

Behavioral Health Organizations, Nebraska Association of

Center for Rural Affairs

Child Healthcare Alliance, Nebraska

Dental Assistants of Nebraska

EHPV (Big Red) Lottery Services, LLC d/b/a Big Red Keno

Emergency Medical Service Association, Nebraska

Empyrean Brewing Company

Engineers and Architects, Nebraska Board of

Goodwill Industries, Nebraska

Iowa/Nebraska Primary Care Association

Nebraska Film Association

Physical Therapy Association, Nebraska Chapter of American

Physician Assistants, Nebraska Academy of

Psychological Association, Nebraska

Public Employees, AFSCME Local 61, Nebraska Association of

Public Health, Friends of in Nebraska

Research Nebraska!

Respiratory Care, Nebraska Society for

Speech, Language, & Hearing Association, Nebraska

Surgical Technologists, Association of

Teamsters Local Union 554

YMCA of Nebraska

Andersen, Robert C.

Cooperative Council, Nebraska

Anderson, Kristen

Realtors Association, Nebraska

Anderson, Robert L.

Agri-Business Association, Nebraska

Anderson Management Services, Inc.

Anderson, Tim W.

Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District

Austin, Jordan

National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action

Baack, Dennis G.

Community College Association, Nebraska

Babcock, Marsha L.

Mechanical Contractors Assn. of Omaha

Barrett, John

Cox Communications

Bateman, Joseph R.

Union Pacific Railroad

Beattie, George

Bankers Association, Nebraska

Beermann, Allen J.

Press Association, Nebraska

Belcher, Barbara N.

Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. and its Affiliates

Bell, David

Loup River Public Power District

Benjamin, Melody

Cattlemen, Inc., Nebraska

Benson, Sandra E.

AARP

Blomstedt, Matthew L.

Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council

Boehm, John M.

Mortgage Association, Nebraska

Boesch, Elizabeth L.

Nebraska Public Power District

Bohrer, Bruce J.

Lincoln Chamber of Commerce

Bonaiuto, John A.

School Boards, Nebraska Association of

Bowling, Karen

Family Council, Nebraska

Boyer, Steve

Third Planet Windpower

Brady, Justin J.

Radcliffe, Walter H. of Radcliffe & Associates

Brandt, Horan, Hallstrom and Stilmock

Bankers Association, Nebraska

Bankers Insurance and Services Company, Nebraska (NBISCO)

Firefighters Association, Nebraska State Volunteer

National Federation of Independent Business

Nebraskans For Workers Compensation Equity

NETWORKS, Inc.

Pharmacists Association, Nebraska

Brashear, Kermit A.

Cox Communications

Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy County

Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

Bromm, Curt

**AFLAC** 

Cable Communications Association, Nebraska

KZ Co.

Lexington Public Schools

Verizon Wireless

Bruckner, Traci

Center for Rural Affairs

Bruning, Deonne L.

Century Link (formerly Embarq Corp.)

Cox Communications

Northern Natural Gas

U. S. Cellular

Buntain, David R.

Medical Association, Nebraska

Regions I, II and V Services

Burhan, Charles H.

Liberty Mutual Insurance

Burroughs, Sheila K.

Certified Public Accountants, Nebraska Society of

Campbell, Mary

Lincoln Public Schools

Carstenson, Eric B.

Telecommunications Association, Nebraska

Carter, Jennifer

Appleseed Center for Law in the Public Interest, Nebraska

Cavanaugh Law Firm, PC, LLO

Creighton University

Explore Information Services, LLC

Independent Insurance Agents of Nebraska

Tenet Health System

Cavanaugh, James P.

Cavanaugh Law Firm PC, LLO

Cavanaugh, Patrick B.

Cavanaugh Law Firm PC, LLO

Cheloha, John A. 'Jack'

City of Omaha

Christiansen, Craig R.

Education Association, Nebraska State

Clark, Douglas R.

Metropolitan Utilities District

Clayburn, Neal

Education Association, Nebraska State

Coleman, Steven D.

Papillion - La Vista Public Schools

Courtney, Robert

AARP

Cover. Joni R.

Pharmacists Association, Nebraska

Cox, Christopher

National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action

Crawford, Kristin Lawson

Kissel/E&S Associates, LLC

Cunningham, Douglas

Affiliated Foods Midwest

Cunningham, James R.

Catholic Conference, Nebraska

Curtis, Carol A.

AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals

Cutshall & Nowka

Anheuser-Busch Companies

Area Agencies on Aging, Nebraska Association of

Area Health Education Centers

BryanLGH Health System

Chief Probation Officers Coalition

Community Lottery System, Inc.

County Attorneys Association, Nebraska

Credit Advisors

Dietetic Association, Nebraska

Elkhorn Public Schools

Family Physicians, Nebraska Academy of

Funeral Directors Association, Nebraska

Home & Community Health Agencies, Nebraska Association of

Meda Pharmaceutical Inc.

Metropolitan Utilities District

Nebraska Public Power District

Nebraska State College Systems, Board of Trustees of the

NET Foundation for Television

Peetz & Company

Pfizer, Inc.

Police Officers' Association of Nebraska

Pork Producers Association, Nebraska

Poultry Industries, Inc., Nebraska

Radiologic Technologists, Nebraska Society of

Resources Districts, Nebraska Association of

Rural Community School Association, Nebraska

Sheriffs Association, Nebraska

Society of Human Resources Management's (SHRM) Nebraska State

Southern Public Power District

Trucking Association, Nebraska

Union Pacific Railroad

Water Coalition, Nebraska

Cutshall, Bruce A.

Cutshall & Nowka

Dake Abel, Julie

Public Employees, AFSCME Local 61, Nebraska Association of

Dibbern, Chris M.

Nebraska Municipal Power Pool

Dittmer, Judy

**AARP** 

Dix, Larry

County Officials, Nebraska Association of

Dobler, James B.

Farmers Mutual of Nebraska

Donaldson, R. Eric

Altria Client Services Inc. and its Affiliates (formerly Philip Morris USA Inc.)

Donovan, Steve

Ducks Unlimited, Great Plains

Downey, Robert A.

Capital Humane Society

Dudley, William H.

**AFLAC** 

Dukesherer, James C.

Rural Electric Association, Nebraska

Dulaney, Michael S.

School Administrators, Nebraska Council of

Edson, Dean E.

Resources Districts, Nebraska Association of

Edwards, Jon

County Officials, Nebraska Association of

Egr, James M.

Firefighters Association, Nebraska State Volunteer

Elliott, Joseph W.

Professional Insurance Agents of Nebraska

Eppler, Robert

**AARP** 

Eret, Don

Tractor Testing Laboratory, Supporters of Nebraska

Erickson, Julie S.

American Communications Group, Inc.

Ernst. Dan E.

School Administrators, Nebraska Council of

Esposito, Mikilin M.

City of Lincoln

Evans, Eric A.

Advocacy Services, Inc., Nebraska

Ferrell, Beth Bazyn

County Officials, Nebraska Association of

Fischer-Lempke, Marla J.

ARC of Nebraska

Fraizer, Theodore D. (Tad)

Insurance Association, American

Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company

Updowntowners, Inc.

Freeman, Clayton

Alzheimer's Association, Midlands Chapter

Fritz. Teresa Stitcher

Alzheimer's Association of the Great Plains

Gangwish, Duane

Cattlemen, Inc., Nebraska

Genrich, Richard L.

Eagles, Fraternal Order of, NE State Aerie

Veterans & Social Societies, Inc., Nebraska Council of Fraternal

Gilbertson, Korby M.

Radcliffe, Walter H. of Radcliffe & Associates

Wildlife Protectors Association, Inc./Operation Game Thief, Nebraska Goc. John J.

Metropolitan Utilities District

Gossman, Abigail

MedImmune, Inc.

Gottschalk, Kristen

Rural Electric Association, Nebraska

Gould, John 'Jack'

Common Cause National

Common Cause Nebraska

Guinan, Trish

Education Association, Nebraska State

Hack, Mace A.

Nature Conservancy, The

Hale, Brian R.

School Boards, Nebraska Association of

Hale, Susan

Planned Parenthood of the Heartland

Hallstrom, Robert J.

Brandt, Horan, Hallstrom and Stilmock

**Hamilton Consulting** 

Life Lock, Inc.

Hansen, John K.

Farmers Union, Nebraska

Hartmann, William

One-Call Notification Center, Nebraska Statewide

Harvey, William F.

EHPV (Big Red) Lottery Services, LLC d/b/a Big Red Keno

Vigilnet America Inc.

Hassebrook, Charles, Jr.

Center for Rural Affairs

Haubensak, Richard

Constellation NewEnergy Gas Division (formerly Cornerstone Energy, Inc.)

Hayes, Jason William

Tax Research Council, Inc., Nebraska

Head, Craig J.

Farm Bureau Federation, Nebraska

Hedman, Garv

Southern Public Power District

Hernandez, Jennifer

Children & Families Foundation, Nebraska

Herzog, Frank

**AARP** 

Higgins, Shirley

Nebraska Public Power District

Hinds, Carolyn C

**AARP** 

Hoffman, Jerry

Education Association, Nebraska State

Holmquist, David W.

American Cancer Society

Holmquist, Jay

Rural Electric Association, Nebraska

Hood, Jane Renner

Humanities Council, Nebraska

Horn, Ryan

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Hurst, Lisa

Life Technologies Corporation

Husch Blackwell Sanders, LLP

Chiropractic Physicians Association, Nebraska

Crown Cork and Seal Company, Inc.

Home Instead, Inc.

Papio-Missouri Natural Resources District, Nebraska

Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.

Waste Management

Intermill, Mark

AARP

Jaeschke, Ronda

SourceGas Distribution, LLC

Jeffers, Thomas E.

Cooperative Council, Nebraska

Jensen, Ronald L./Jensen Associates, Inc.

Altria Client Services Inc. and its Affiliates (formerly Philip Morris USA Inc.)

Children's Respite Care Center, Inc.

Dental Hygienists Association, Nebraska

Eli Lilly and Company

Health Management Systems

Homes & Services for the Aging, Nebraska Association of

Johnson, DeMaris/The Johnson Group

Magellan Health Services, Inc.

Mosaic

National Rifle Association Institute for Legislative Action

Nurse Anesthetists, Nebraska Association of

Optometric Association, Nebraska

Podiatric Medical Association, Nebraska

Service Providers, Nebraska Association of

Jensen, S. Michael

**Great Plains Communications** 

Johnson, DeMaris - The Johnson Group

Bromm, Curtis A.

Cable Communications Association, Nebraska

Check Cashers, Nebraska Association of

County Attorneys Association, Nebraska

Industrial Energy Users of Nebraska

Jensen, Ronald/Jensen & Associates

Water Resources Association, Nebraska

Johnson, Dick

Builders and Contractors, Inc., Associated

Johnson, Kimberly

United Parcel Service

Johnson, Larry A.

Trucking Association, Nebraska

Johnson, Mary A.

Ruth Mueller Robak LLC

Jordison, John C.

**Great Plains Communications** 

Renaissance Nebraska Project, Inc.

Kamm, Richard D.

Adams Central Junior-Senior High

Grand Island Northwest Public Schools

Lakeview Community Schools

Karl, Jamie T.

Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Nebraska

Karnes, David

Curbside Rewards LLC

EHPV (Big Red) Lottery Services, LLC d/b/a Big Red Keno

Father Flanagans Boys Home aka Boys Town

Vigilnet America Inc.

Kav. Sara A.

AIA Nebraska

Keigher, Timothy P.

Community College Association, Nebraska

Keigher/Rasmussen & Associates, LLC

Petroleum Marketers & Convenience Store Assn., Nebraska

Keigher/Rasmussen & Associates, LLC

AirBoat Association, Nebraska

Credit Management

Iowa/Nebraska Equipment Dealers Association

Land Improvement Contractors Association, Nebraska

LensCrafters

MillerCoors LLC (formerly Miller Brewing Company)

National Guard Assn. of Nebraska

Kelley and Jerram, P.C.

Beverage Operators of Nebraska, Responsible

Douglas County, Nebraska

Eastern Nebraska Human Services Agency

Elevator Industry Work Preservation

Fraternal Order of Police, Nebraska

Johnson Brothers/Finocchiaro, LLC

Omaha Exposition & Racing, Inc.

Kelley Governmental Relations, LLC

Metro Area Transit

Omaha Airport Authority

Kelley, Michael

Kelley and Jerram, P.C.

Kelley Governmental Relations, LLC

Kelley, Sean

Kelley and Jerram, P.C.

Kelley Governmental Relations, LLC

Kelsey, Michael D.

Cattlemen, Inc., Nebraska

Kennedy, Barry L.

Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Nebraska

Kenny, Timothy R.

Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska

Kevil, G. Bruce

Home Builders Association, Nebraska State

Kidwell, Katie L.

Civic Reform, Nebraskans for

Kilgarin, Karen

Education Association, Nebraska State

Kissel, Gordon

Kissel/E&S Associates, LLC

Kissel/Erickson & Sederstrom Associates, LLC

American Petroleum Institute

Ameristar Casinos, Inc.

Beverage Distributors of Nebraska, Associated

CASA Association, Nebraska

Cooperative Council, Nebraska

County Court Association, Nebraska

Engineers, Nebraska Society of Professional

Erickson & Sederstrom, PC

Golf Course Superintendents Association, Nebraska

Hearing Society, Nebraska

Historical Society, Nebraska State

Kaplan Higher Education in Nebraska c/o MultiState Associates, Inc.

Lancaster County Board of Commissioners

March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation

Nebraska Municipal Power Pool

Professional Engineers Coalition

Ralston Public School District

Regional Administrators, Nebraska Association of

Sarpy County, United Cities of

**Telecare Corporation** 

TransCanada Pipelines Limited

West Corporation

Kohout, Joseph D.

Kissel/E&S Associates, LLC

Kolterman, Jessica A.

Farm Bureau Federation, Nebraska

Krannawitter, Brian

American Heart Association

Krumland, Gary G.

League of Nebraska Municipalities

Kruse, Dacia D.

Omaha Chamber of Commerce, Greater

Lange, Robert G.

Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation

Levy, David C.

Midwest Wind Energy

Libsack, Fiona

Regional West Health Services

Licht, Alice L.

Agri-Business Association, Nebraska

Anderson Management Services, Inc.

Auctioneers Association, Nebraska

Automotive Recycling Industry of Nebraska

Aviation Trade Association, Nebraska

Hotel & Motel Association, Inc., Nebraska

Pest Control Association, Nebraska State

Licht, Andrew W.

Anderson Management Services, Inc.

Likes, Steven C., Esq.

Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska

Lillis, John J.

Nebraskans United For Life

Lindsay, John

O'Hara, Lindsay & Associates, Inc.

Lineweber, Ray L.

United Transportation Union

Loeffler, Michael T.

Northern Natural Gas

Logsdon, Robert R.

Cox Communications

Lombardi, Richard A.

American Communications Group, Inc.

Lowrey, Lon

**Novartis Pharmaceuticals Corporation** 

Luetkenhaus, Brandon M.

Credit Union League and Affiliates, Nebraska

Mahlman, Dale L.

Medical Association, Nebraska

Mainwaring, Brenda

Union Pacific Railroad

Marsh. Laurel S.

ACLU Nebraska

Mass. Ken E.

AFL-CIO, Nebraska State

McBride, David S.

Health Underwriters, Nebraska Association of

Insurance and Financial Advisors, National Association of

Optometric Association, Nebraska

McClure, Jeanne L.

Alegent Health

McClure, John

Nebraska Public Power District

McClymont, Pete

Cattlemen, Inc., Nebraska

McCullough, Jacqueline K.

Engineering Companies/Nebraska, American Council of

McDonald, Vickie

Center For People In Need

McGuire, Mark D.

Cameco (formerly Crow Butte) Resources, Inc.

Education Association, Nebraska State

McHugh, Jim

Regional West Health Services

McKenzie, Janis M.

Gifted, Nebraska Association For The

Independent Colleges & Universities of Nebraska (AICUN), Association of

Insurance Federation, Nebraska

Meek, Randy D.

Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, Nebraska State Legislative Board

Menzel, Elaine

County Officials, Nebraska Association of

Meradith, Steve

Windstream

Merritt, Gary James

Auto Dealers Association, Nebraska Independent

Meurrens, Bradley A.

Advocacy Services, Inc., Nebraska

Micek, Cora

Hospital Association, Nebraska

Mikkelsen, Brian

Education Association, Nebraska State

Miller, Amy

ACLU Nebraska

Miller, Jeffrey T.

Veterans of Foreign Wars

Mills, Jack D.

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Nebraska

Risk Management Association, Nebraska Intergovernmental

Mines, Mick

Humane Society, Nebraska

Insurance and Financial Advisors, National Association of

League of Nebraska Municipalities

Mines & Associates

Mischo, Craig

Bayer Health Care

Morfeld, Adam

Civic Reform, Nebraskans for

Mortland, Thomas

Berkshire Hathaway Homestate Companies

Moylan, James H.

Beverage Association, Nebraska Licensed

Reynolds American (formerly RJ Reynolds Tobacco)

Mueller, William J.

Ruth Mueller Robak LLC

Munguia, Roberto F.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe

Murphy, Jeremy P.

Catholic Conference, Nebraska

Nabb, Douglas

Fremont Public Schools

Napp, Jaimee

Identity Theft Action Council of Nebraska (iTAC)

Nathan, Robbie

**AARP** 

Neville, Brennan S.

National Indemnity Company

Nielsen, Coleen J.

Criminal Defense Attorneys Association, Nebraska

Insurance Information Service, Nebraska

Medco Health Solutions, Inc.

Merck Sharp & Dohme Corp. and its Affiliates

State Farm Insurance Companies

Nolan, Michael

League of Nebraska Municipalities

Nowka, Trent P.

Cutshall & Nowka

O'Hara, Lindsay and Associates, Inc.

AIA Nebraska

Ambulatory Centers, Nebraska Association of Independent

Automobile Manufacturers, Alliance of

Beverage Association, Nebraska

Black Hills Corporation (formerly Aquila)

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Nebraska

City of Hastings

City of Lincoln

County Judges Association, Nebraska

First National of Nebraska, Inc.

Housing & Redevelopment Officials, Nebraska Chapter of the National Association of

Humane Society of the United States, The

Humanities Council, Nebraska

Nebraskans Against the Death Penalty

**Nucor Corporation** 

Nurses Association, Nebraska

Omaha Public Power District

Omaha Public Schools

Professional Employer Organizations, National Association of

SourceGas Distribution, LLC

Trial Attorneys, Nebraska Association of

Valmont Industries, Inc.

Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

O'Neill, Thomas J., Jr.

Independent Colleges & Universities of Nebraska (AICUN), Association of

Olsen, Keith R.

Farm Bureau Federation, Nebraska

Orton, Leroy

Irrigation Association, Nebraska State

Waste Water Assn., Nebraska On-Site

Well Drillers Association, Nebraska

Othmer, Mark F.

Iowa/Nebraska Equipment Dealers Association

Otto, James A.

Restaurant Association, Nebraska

Retail Federation, Nebraska

Ozanne, Colleen K.

Center For People In Need

Pack, Mary M.

Radcliffe, Walter H. of Radcliffe & Associates

Paden, Nicholas

Broadband Coalition, Nebraska

Cambridge Telephone Company

Clarks Telecommunications Co.

Consolidated Telephone Company

**Great Plains Communications** 

Hamilton Telecommunications

Hartelco (formerly Hartington Telecommunications, Inc.)

Hershey Coop Telephone Co.

HunTel Systems, Inc.

Ignition Interlock Systems of IA, Inc.

K & M Telephone Company

Nebraska Central Telephone Company

Northeast Nebraska Telephone Co.

Stanton Telecom, Inc.

Three River Telco

Parker, David R.

**Great West Casualty Company** 

Passarelli, Angelo D.

Millard Public Schools

Peetz, Natalie, Peetz & Company

2010 Special Olympics USA National Games

Alegent Health

American Legal Finance Association

Apollo Group, Inc./Univ. of Phoenix

Behavioral Health, Advocates for

Boys and Girls Club of America

Children & Families Foundation, Nebraska

Coventry Insurance

Cutshall & Nowka

**Kiewit Corporation** 

Metropolitan Entertainment & Convention Authority (Qwest Center Omaha)

Omaha Zoological Society

Tenaska

Peters, William E.

Burlington Northern Santa Fe

Cigar Association of America, Inc.

Medx12, Inc.

Peterson, Alan E.

Media of Nebraska, Inc.

Peterson, Patricia Schuett

Investment Finance Authority, Nebraska

Petsch, Jean M.

General Contractors, Associated (NE Building Chapter)

Pieper, James S.

Cox Communications

Learning Community of Douglas and Sarpy County

Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

Pierson, Darwin R.

Oil & Gas Association, Nebraska Independent

Plofchan, Paul

Pfizer, Inc.

Plucker, Julia

Collectors Association, Nebraska

Pollock, Andy

Friends of Nebraska Nonprofit Hospitals

Gottsch Enterprises

Morrison Enterprises, LLC

Nebraska Energy Export Association

NorthWestern Energy

Progressive Swine Technologies

Polt. Brendon A.

Health Care Association, Nebraska

Popken, Kent T.

**Qwest Communications** 

Potter, Cara E.

National Association of Chain Drug Stores

Prenda, Amy

Cutshall & Nowka

Ptacek, Patrick J.

Grain and Feed Association, Nebraska

Radcliffe, Walter H. of Radcliffe & Associates

2013 US Senior Open Local Organizing Committee

ALTRIA Client Services, Inc. (Formerly UST Public Affairs, Inc.)

Bellevue Public Schools

Broadcasters Association, Nebraska

Cable Communications Association, Nebraska

Cemetery Association, Nebraska State

Certified Public Accountants, Nebraska Society of

Community Financial Services of America (CFSA) c/o MultiStates Associates Inc.

Compensation Insurance, National Council on (NCCI)

Fair Board, Nebraska State

Father Flanagans Boys Home aka Boys Town

Father Flanagans Boys Home d/b/a Boys Town National Research Hospital

Guaranteed Asset Protection Association

Health Care Association, Nebraska

Home Builders Association, Nebraska State

Horsemens Benevolent & Protective Association

**INTRALOT USA** 

League of Nebraska Municipalities

Lincoln Public Schools

Media of Nebraska, Inc.

Medical Center, Nebraska

Metropolitan Community College

Motion Picture Association of America

Nebraska Expressways for Economic Development (NEED)

Nebraska Technical Services, Inc.

Optometric Association, Nebraska

Property Casualty Insurers Association of America

Public Health Funding, Nebraskans for

Pyrotechnics Association, Nebraska

Realtors Association, Nebraska

Republic National Distributing Company (Formerly Wholesale Liquor Distributors Association, Nebraska)

Sanofi Pasteur, (MultiState Associates, Inc on behalf of)

Small Smiles of Nebraska c/o Multistate Associates Inc.

State Troopers Association of Nebraska, Inc.

Telecommunications Association, Nebraska

Tyson Foods, Inc.

University of Nebraska

Rea, James M.

Lincoln Education Association

Redoutey, Laura J.

Hospital Association, Nebraska

Reiman, Charlene

SourceGas Distribution, LLC

Rempe, Jay E.

Farm Bureau Federation, Nebraska

Renner, Shawn D.

Media of Nebraska, Inc.

Rex, L. Lynn

League of Nebraska Municipalities

Reynolds, Jeff

Center for Rural Affairs

Richards, Thomas

Omaha Public Power District

Rieker, Bruce R.

Hospital Association, Nebraska

Riibe. Diane

Project Extra Mile

Ring, Kenneth T.

AARP

Riskowski, Al

Family Council, Nebraska

Robak, Kim M.

Ruth Mueller Robak LLC

Roland, Gene

SourceGas Distribution, LLC

Root, David

Medco Health Solutions, Inc.

Ruth Mueller Robak LLC

Airport Officials, Nebraska Association of

American Express Travel Related Services, Inc.

Ash Grove Cement Co.

AT&T Corporation

Bankers Association, Heartland Community

Better Nebraska Association

Chief Industries, Inc.

Children and Family Coalition of Nebraska

Commercial Property Owners, Nebraska Association of

Constellation NewEnergy Gas Division (formerly Cornerstone Energy, Inc.)

Copic Companies

Court Reporters Association, Nebraska

Dental Association, Nebraska

District Court Judges Association, Nebraska

**Duncan Aviation** 

Eastern Nebraska Development Council

eBay, Inc.

Electrical Contractors Association, National

Eye Physicians and Surgeons, Nebraska Academy of

First Data Corporation

General Contractors of America, NE Chapter, Associated

Independent Accountants, Nebraska Society of

Land Title Association, Nebraska

Lincoln Airport Authority

Lower Republican NRD

Lyman-Richey Corporation

Machinery Company, Nebraska

Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital

MedImmune Incorporated

Methodist Health Systems, Nebraska

Millard Public Schools

Nebraska Interactive

Nebraska State Bar Association

Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America

Press Association, Nebraska

Sterling Distribution Co.

Veterinary Medical Association, Nebraska

Viaero Wireless

Ryan, Beth

Cutshall & Nowka

Sahling-Zart, Shelley R.

Lincoln Electric System

Schaefer, Matthew T.

Ruth Mueller Robak LLC

Schafer, Andrea R.

Norris Public Power District

Scherer, Larry

Education Association, Nebraska State

Schleppenbach, Greg

Catholic Conference, Nebraska

Schmit Industries, Inc.

Chiropractic Physicians Association, Nebraska

Ethanol Producers, Assoc. of Nebraska

Schmit-Albin, Julie

Nebraska Right to Life

Schuller, Lynne

Horsemens Benevolent & Protective Association

Propane Gas Association, Nebraska

Schultz, William E.

Marksmanship Association, Nebraska

Sears, T. Jay

Education Association, Nebraska State

Sedlacek, Ronald J.

Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Nebraska

Husch Blackwell Sanders, LLP

Seibert, Tiffany

Voices for Children

Shasky, Kelly Stevens

Washington Center, The

Sheard, James W., Jr.

Nebraska Change to Win Coalition c/o Teamsters Local 554

Siefken, Kathy

Grocery Industry Association, Nebraska

Shazam

Stilmock, Gerald M.

Brandt, Horan, Hallstrom and Stilmock

Sullivan, J. Scott

Credit Union League and Affiliates, Nebraska

Todd, A. Loy, Jr.

Car & Truck Dealers Association, Nebraska New Uhe, Fred J.

Sarpy County Board of Commissioners

Ullstrom, Galen F.

Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company

Valentin, Michaela L.

Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Nebraska

Veak, Becky

Children & Families Foundation, Nebraska

Vodvarka, Dan

Certified Public Accountants, Nebraska Society of

Wagner, Connie

Licensed Practical Nurse Association of Nebraska

Watson, James S.

United Healthcare Services, Inc. and Affiliates

Weber, Rocky

Cooperative Council, Nebraska

Werner, Terry

Social Workers, Nebraska Chapter, National Association of

Wesely, Don

O'Hara, Lindsay & Associates, Inc.

Wheeler, Harold

AARP

White, Rosemary

AAA Nebraska and The Auto Club Group

Wightman, Anna Castner

First National of Nebraska, Inc.

Williams, David M.

Ameritas Life Insurance Corporation

Wimmer, J. Kent

Western Sugar Cooperative (CO)

Wininger, Dwight

Rural Telecommunications Coalition, Nebraska

Winston, Ken

Library Association, Nebraska

Sierra Club, Nebraska

Withem, Ron

University of Nebraska

Wolf, Jesse

Education Association, Nebraska State

Woods, Kara

Johnson, DeMaris/The Johnson Group

Wurster, Donald F.

**National Indemnity Company** 

Yost, Jeffrey G.

Community Foundation, Nebraska

Yost, Kurt T.

Bankers, Nebraska Independent Community

Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District

Midwest Check Cashiers, Inc.

Young, Justin

Occupational Therapy Association, Nebraska

Zaenglein, Norbert

Autobody Association, Nebraska

Zalenski, Susan D.

Johnson & Johnson

Zeeb, Chris M.

Firearms Owners Association, Nebraska (NFOA)

Zieg, Patricia A.

Apria Healthcare, Inc.

Zulkowski, Katie W.

Ruth Mueller Robak LLC

Zumwinkle, Mike

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# **MOTION - Adopt Permanent Rules**

Senator Lautenbaugh moved to adopt the permanent rules for the One Hundred First Legislature, Second Session, and any special sessions held during the 2010 calendar year.

The Rules Committee renewed the proposed rules change, Proposed Rules Change 1, found on page 131, to Rule 4, Sec. 1.

The Rules Committee's proposed rules change, Proposed Rules Change 1, was adopted with 40 ayes, 0 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

Senator Lautenbaugh renewed his motion, found in this day's Journal, to adopt the permanent rules, as amended, for the One Hundred First Legislature, Second Session, and any special sessions held during the 2010 calendar year.

The Lautenbaugh motion to adopt permanent rules, as amended, prevailed with 43 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 4 excused and not voting.

#### GENERAL FILE

#### LEGISLATIVE BILL 682. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 45 ayes, 0 nays, 1 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 683.** Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 44 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 684.** Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 45 ayes, 0 nays, 2 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

#### LEGISLATIVE BILL 261, Considered.

#### PRESIDENT SHEEHY PRESIDING

Committee AM182, found on page 367 and considered on page 576, First Session, 2009, was renewed.

Senator Fischer renewed her amendment, AM323, found on page 576, First Session, 2009, to the committee amendment.

Pending.

#### BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 847.** Introduced by Council, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to courts; to amend sections 25-2720.01, 25-2803, and 25-2804, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change Small Claims Court powers relating to judgments and orders and provide for use of attorneys as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 848. Introduced by Cornett, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to cities of the first class; to amend section 16-707, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to board of equalization meetings; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 849.** Introduced by Gay, 14.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public health and welfare; to amend sections 68-906, 68-1017, 68-1017.01, 68-1070, 77-27,165, 83-1220, 83-1221, 83-1222, 83-1223, and 83-1224, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 83-1217, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to adopt federal law for purposes of the Medical Assistance Act and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; to remove and change references to Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program coupons and benefits; to change notification requirements for child support claims against income tax refunds; to change requirements for specialized programs providing developmental disability services; to change provisions relating to hearing officers of the Division of Developmental Disabilities; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 850.** Introduced by Avery, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to public postsecondary educational institutions; to require the provision of information on early voting to students.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 851.** Introduced by Avery, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to political subdivisions; to amend sections 13-2703, 13-2705, 13-2706, and 13-2707, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 13-2610, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change provisions under the Convention Center Facility Financing Assistance Act and the Local Civic, Cultural, and Convention Center Financing Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 852.** Introduced by Avery, 28.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend section 32-816, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to write-in space on official ballots for certain offices; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 853.** Introduced by Wightman, 36; Ashford, 20; Council, 11.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal law; to amend sections 28-105, 29-2204, 29-2520, 29-2522, 29-2524, and 83-1,105.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change the statutes to reflect the Nebraska Supreme Court opinion State v. Conover, 270 Neb. 446, 703 N.W.2d 898 (2005); to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 854.** Introduced by Howard, 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend sections 53-131.01 and 53-135, Reissue Revised Statutes of

Nebraska; to change requirements for licensure; and to repeal the original sections.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 855.** Introduced by Fischer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to pharmacies; to amend section 38-2845, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 38-2801, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to adopt the Remote Pharmacy Act; to define and redefine terms; to change provisions relating to the Pharmacy Practice Act; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 856.** Introduced by Janssen, 15.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the state highway system; to amend section 39-1359, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for rules and regulations regarding memorials in the right-of-way; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 857.** Introduced by Gay, 14.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Public Service Commission; to amend sections 71-1559 and 71-4604.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate limitations on certain fees; to create and eliminate funds; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 858.** Introduced by Sullivan, 41.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to service animals; to amend sections 20-126, 20-131.01, and 28-1009.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 20-126.01, 20-127, 20-128, 20-129, 20-131.02, and 20-131.04, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008; to provide protections and penalties for mobility-impaired and otherwise disabled persons who use service animals as prescribed; to provide additional requirements for service animals and service animals in training; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 859.** Introduced by Lautenbaugh, 18.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to courts; to amend sections 25-2705 and 25-2805, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to trial by jury; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 860.** Introduced by Lautenbaugh, 18.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Concealed Handgun Permit Act; to amend section 69-2433, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change permit application provisions relating to misdemeanor crimes of violence;

and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 861.** Introduced by General Affairs Committee: Karpisek, 32, Chairperson; Coash, 27; Cook, 13; Dierks, 40; Dubas, 34; Krist, 10; Price, 3; Rogert, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend sections 9-823, 28-421, 53-123.12, 53-124.13, 53-124.14, 53-138.01, 53-139, 53-1,104, 60-4,152, 71-5730, and 79-267, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 48-1902, 53-122, 53-123.13, 53-123.15, 53-124.12, 53-132, 53-134, 53-164.01, 53-169.01, 53-403, and 60-4,119, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008, and sections 53-101, 53-103, 53-124, and 53-131, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to transfer definitions and fee provisions; to change provisions relating to distribution of license fees in accordance with the Constitution of Nebraska; to eliminate unconstitutional provisions; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 862.** Introduced by Christensen, 44; Carlson, 38.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to natural resources; to amend sections 2-3226.01 and 2-3226.05, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008; to change provisions relating to river-flow enhancement bonds; to change provisions relating to an occupation tax as prescribed; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 863.** Introduced by Cornett, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to cities of the first class; to amend section 31-744, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 16-130, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change provisions relating to annexation; to provide duties for sanitary and improvement districts; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 864.** Introduced by Pirsch, 4; Ashford, 20; Carlson, 38; Council, 11; Fulton, 29; Giese, 17; Nelson, 6.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Community Corrections Act; to amend sections 47-619 and 47-624, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008; to provide duties for the Community Corrections Council regarding reporting centers; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 865.** Introduced by Fischer, 43; Carlson, 38; Cornett, 45; Dubas, 34; Schilz, 47.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to animals; to amend sections 28-1008 and 28-1013, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to adopt the Livestock Animal Welfare Act; to harmonize provisions; to provide a duty for the Revisor of

Statutes; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 28-1009.02, 28-1009.03, 28-1013.01, and 28-1013.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 866.** Introduced by Howard, 9; Gloor, 35.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Pharmacy Practice Act; to amend sections 38-2817, 71-436, and 71-7435, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 38-2801, 38-2802, 38-2850, 38-2867, and 38-2869, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to define and redefine terms; to provide for a dispensing practitioner permit; to change provisions relating to an exception to the practice of pharmacy; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 867.** Introduced by Karpisek, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to alcoholic liquors; to amend section 53-124, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change fees for shipping licenses; and to repeal the original section.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 868.** Introduced by Flood, 19.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to criminal procedure; to amend sections 29-2262, 29-2266, 29-2277, 29-2278, 29-2279, 48-126.01, 48-147, 53-180.05, 60-6,211.02, and 60-6,211.06, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 48-115 and 48-145, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008, and section 48-106, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to name, change, and adopt provisions for the Community Service Sentencing Act; to provide for community service programs; to state findings and intent; to remove offenders performing community service and persons fulfilling conditions of probation from coverage under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act; to limit liability of a community service program under the Community Service Act and provide duties; to change penalties for a minor in possession of alcohol and a minor driving with blood alcohol concentration within certain limits; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

#### RESOLUTIONS

## **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 279CA.** Introduced by Avery, 28.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2010 the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article III, section 2:

III-2 The first power reserved by the people is the initiative whereby laws may be enacted and constitutional amendments adopted by the people

independently of the Legislature. This power may be invoked by petition wherein the proposed measure shall be set forth at length. If the petition be for the enactment of a law, it shall be signed by seven-four percent of the registered voters of the state, and if the petition be for the amendment of the Constitution, the petition therefor shall be signed by ten-fifteen percent of such registered voters. In all cases the registered voters signing such petition shall be so distributed as to include five percent of the registered voters of each of two-fifths of the counties of the state, and when thus signed, the petition shall be filed with the Secretary of State who shall submit the measure thus proposed to the electors of the state at the first general election held not less than four months after such petition shall have been filed. The same measure, either in form or in essential substance, shall not be submitted to the people by initiative petition, either affirmatively or negatively, more often than once in three years. If conflicting measures submitted to the people at the same election be approved, the one receiving the highest number of affirmative votes shall thereby become law as to all conflicting provisions. The constitutional limitations as to the scope and subject matter of statutes enacted by the Legislature shall apply to those enacted by the initiative. Initiative measures shall contain only one subject. The Legislature shall not amend, repeal, modify, or impair a law enacted by the people by initiative, contemporaneously with the adoption of this initiative measure or at any time thereafter, except upon a vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the Legislature.

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

A constitutional amendment to change the number of signatures required on initiative petitions.

For

Against.

Referred to the Reference Committee.

## **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 280.** Introduced by Stuthman, 22.

WHEREAS, the Howells Bobcats won the 2009 Class D-1 State Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Bobcats defeated Giltner High School 68-28 to win the state title; and

WHEREAS, the Bobcats also won state titles in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature should recognize the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

1. That the Legislature congratulates the Howells Bobcats on winning the 2009 Class D-1 State Football Championship.

2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Howells Bobcats and their coach, Mike Speirs.

Laid over.

# **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 281.** Introduced by Stuthman, 22.

WHEREAS, the Humphrey St. Francis Flyers won the 2009 Class D-2 State Football Championship; and

WHEREAS, the Flyers defeated Hayes Center High School 34-0 to win the state title; and

WHEREAS, the Flyers were able to capture the 2009 state title after a runner-up finish in 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature should recognize the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates the Humphrey St. Francis Flyers on winning the 2009 Class D-2 State Football Championship.
- 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Humphrey St. Francis Flyers and their coach, Eric Kessler.

Laid over.

#### **MOTION - Print in Journal**

Senator Lautenbaugh filed the following motion to <u>LB796</u>: MO71 Indefinitely postpone.

#### NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING

Urban Affairs

Room 1510

Tuesday, January 19, 2010 1:30 p.m.

LB781

(Signed) Amanda McGill, Chairperson

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION

# **Opinion** 10002

SUBJECT: Elimination of the constitutional office of State

Treasurer on a date that does not coincide with the end

of an incumbent Treasurer's term of office.

REQUESTED BY: Senator Dennis Utter

Nebraska State Legislature

WRITTEN BY: Jon Bruning, Attorney General

Charles E. Lowe, Assistant Attorney General

### Introduction

In a letter to this office dated November 20, 2009, you indicate that, at the next session of the Nebraska Legislature, you are planning to propose a constitutional amendment to eliminate the office of Nebraska State Treasurer. In that context you ask for our opinion on the question: "[C]ould the proposed Constitutional Amendment be worded to eliminate the office of State Treasurer in the middle of a term of office, or must elimination of the office of Treasurer coincide with the end of a validly elected Treasurer's term of office?"

In asking your question you clearly recognize that the State Treasurer is an officer created by the Nebraska Constitution, Neb. Const. art. IV, § 1, and that, therefore, such office may be eliminated only by means of a constitutional amendment. You also recognize that under that same section of the constitution the State Treasurer (along with the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor and Attorney General) is elected "for a term of four years." So the question is whether or not the office of State Treasurer can be eliminated by a constitutional amendment effective on some date that is before the incumbent State Treasurer at that time has served his or her full four year term in office.

### Discussion

The following "black letter law" appears in 67 C.J.S. Officers § 93 (2002): "A term of office may be changed by constitutional amendment, or, in a proper case, by legislative enactment." That same section of C.J.S. contains the statement that a "change of term of an office may be made in the state constitution." It goes on to say: "The sovereign power creating an office may change its tenure in the absence of constitutional restriction, and such power may be exercised subject to constitutional limitations." (Footnotes omitted.)

In the case of the State Treasurer the "sovereign power" that created the office is the people of the State of Nebraska who, by means of exercising

their right to vote, approved the constitutional provisions naming the State Treasurer as a constitutional executive officer and setting his or her term of office. Based upon the general rules set forth above, it appears that this same "sovereign power" may, by constitutional amendment, delete the State Treasurer as a constitutional officer and/or change the term of office for such officer. State ex rel. Lull v. Frizzell, 31 Minn. 460, 467, 18 N.W. 316, 319-20 (1884), confirms this conclusion.

It is elementary that there is no contract, express or implied, between a public officer and the government, whose agent he is, for the continuance of his office or the permanency of his salary for the full term for which he was elected. Public officers have no proprietary interest in their offices, or any right of property in the prospective compensation attached thereto. Public offices, in theory, at least, are held and exercised for the benefit of the public and not of the incumbent. Therefore, it is in all cases competent for the people, in their sovereign capacity, to abolish an office or shorten a term, or reduce or take away entirely the salary attached to it, without regard to the interests or expectations of the incumbent as to the prospective compensation. Cooley, Const. Lim. \*276; County of Hennepin v. Jones, 18 Minn. 182, (199;) Connor v. City of New York, 2 Sandf. 355.

The Minnesota court in Frizzell upheld a series of constitutional amendments which shortened the terms of some constitutional officers and lengthened the terms of others.

Accordingly, it seems clear that the people, by means of a constitutional amendment, can eliminate a constitutional office at any point and that, in such circumstance, the office holder has no right to remain in office to serve out his or her entire term.

We believe that legal authority dealing with changes in terms of office for officers created by legislative enactments provides additional guidance in dealing with the issue of whether a constitutional amendment eliminating a constitutional office may take effect before the incumbent officer has served a full term of office. In this connection the section of C.J.S. cited above concludes that, since the sovereign authority that created an office may change its tenure, "the legislature may change the term of an office during the term of an incumbent, even though the effect of the change is to curtail the unexpired term of an incumbent . . . . " C.J.S. goes on to explain that the legislature cannot do this when the constitution fixes the duration of the term. This means that, while the legislature clearly cannot override the provisions of the constitution and, on its own, change the terms of constitutionally created state officers, it may change the terms of state officers it has created by law, even if such change results in an incumbent officer being out of office before the previously existing term of office has expired.

Nebraska cases appear to follow this general rule that the legislature may change the terms of state officers created by statute, even if it means that an incumbent officer's term of office will be shortened. Hamilton v. Foster, 155 Neb. 89, 93, 50 N.W.2d 542, 544-45 (1951); State ex rel. Comstock v. Stewart, 52 Neb. 243, 255, 71 N.W. 998, 1002-03 (1897). See, Op. Att'y Gen. No. 01040 (Dec. 17, 2001). In Stewart, a case which dealt with city council members in Lincoln, whose offices and terms of office had been created by legislation – not the constitution, the court stated:

"In the absence of any constitutional prohibition or affirmative provision fixing the term of office of any officer, or his compensation, the legislature may change such term or compensation, and such change of term or compensation will apply as well to the officers then in office as to those to be thereafter elected." The same principle applies to the offices of councilmen. The official tenure of such officers is not fixed by the constitution, and hence may be shortened or terminated at the will of the legislature.

Stewart, 52 Neb. at 255, 71 N.W. at 1002-03 (quoting Douglas County v. Timme, 32 Neb. 272, 275, 49 N.W. 266, 267 (1891)).

In Stewart, of course, it was the Nebraska Legislature that was permitted to change the terms of office for officers it had created, even if that meant incumbents' terms were shortened. There is no reason, however, why the same result would not apply where the people, by means of adopting a constitutional amendment in the prescribed manner, change the term of office of an officer created by the constitution.

The Iowa Supreme Court has made the following observations in connection with upholding the elimination of an office created by the legislature before the terms of the incumbent officer holders expired:

In 67 C. J. S., Officers, section 54(1), it is said:

"It has been laid down broadly that a public officer, regardless of the form of the statute under which he takes office, enjoys a privilege revocable by the sovereignty at will and that the incumbent of a public office possesses only such right to it as the laws of tenure give to him. A constitutional officer has the right, however, to perform the duties of his office until he is legally removed from office or is legally disqualified to act."

In Eckerson v. City of Des Moines, 137 Iowa 452, 481, 482, 115 N.W. 177, we said:

"Public offices are created in the interests of the general public, and not for the benefit of any individual. And no one in possession of an office has a constitutional right to remain therein for the full period of the term for which he was elected. \* \* \* And as no contract right exists in favor of the incumbent of an office, it does not remain for him to quarrel with the

method of procedure adopted. In the case of a statutory office, the Legislature may even abolish the office, and with the taking effect of the law providing therefor the right of the incumbent to further act ceases eo instanti, notwithstanding the term for which he was elected has not expired."

Sueppel v. City Council of Iowa City, 257 Iowa 1350, 1357, 136 N.W.2d 523, 527 (1965).

Thus, it appears that under the law whether one is holding an office created by statute or an office created by the constitution, there is no constitutional or contractual right to continue in office for the full term if the term is shortened or ended by the body that created the office – the legislature for statutorily created offices, the people of the state through the voters for constitutionally created offices.

### Conclusion

For the reasons discussed above, it is our opinion that the answer to your question is in the affirmative – i.e., your proposed constitutional amendment could be worded in such a way as to eliminate the office of State Treasurer at any point in time after adoption of the amendment by the people. Elimination of the office of State Treasurer by constitutional amendment would not have to coincide with the end of a Treasurer's term of office.

If you wish to have the elimination of the office of State Treasurer take place at some time other than the end of a term, we additionally note that your proposed constitutional amendment should be worded in such a way as to make clear not only that the office of State Treasurer is being eliminated, but also that the four year term of office provision of Neb. Const. art. IV, § 1 would not apply to the incumbent Treasurer in the event the office is eliminated effective on some date other than the end of that four year period.

Finally, if your intent is to abolish the office of State Treasurer entirely, rather than simply eliminating it as a constitutional office, you might want to draft your proposed amendment bearing in mind Swanson v. State of Nebraska, 132 Neb. 82, 271 N.W. 264 (1937), in which it was held that a constitutional amendment that simply deleted the office of commissioner of public lands from the list of constitutional officers in Neb. Const. art. IV, § 1 did not completely abolish the office since the constitutional amendment did not expressly abolish the office in its entirety and since the office was still referred to in numerous statutes and given many duties to perform by statute. Rather, the supreme court found that the commissioner of public lands continued to exist as a statutorily created office to carry out the duties assigned to it.

Sincerely yours, JON BRUNING Attorney General (Signed) Charles E. Lowe Assistant Attorney General

cc. Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature 17-079-20

### **UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducers**

Senator Coash asked unanimous consent to add his name as cointroducer to LB726. No objections. So ordered.

Senator Christensen asked unanimous consent to add his name as cointroducer to LB763. No objections. So ordered.

Senator Council asked unanimous consent to add her name as cointroducer to LB779. No objections. So ordered.

Senator Krist asked unanimous consent to add his name as cointroducer to LB795. No objections. So ordered.

Senator Janssen asked unanimous consent to add his name as cointroducer to LB836. No objections. So ordered.

#### RECESS

At 11:55 a.m., on a motion by Senator McGill, the Legislature recessed until 1:30 p.m.

### AFTER RECESS

The Legislature reconvened at 1:30 p.m., Senator Langemeier presiding.

#### ROLL CALL

The roll was called and all members were present except Senator Heidemann who was excused; and Senators Ashford and Dierks who were excused until they arrive.

### REFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

The Executive Board submits the following report:

LB/LR	Committee
LB794	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB795	Judiciary
LB796	Revenue
LB797	Natural Resources
LB798	Natural Resources
LB799	Urban Affairs

LB800	Judiciary
LB801	Judiciary
LB802	Revenue
LB803	Health and Human Services
LB804	Revenue
LB805	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB806	Revenue
LB807	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB808	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB809	Judiciary
LB810	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB811	Transportation and Telecommunications Transportation and Telecommunications
LB812	Health and Human Services
LB813	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB814	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB815	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB816	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB817	Judiciary
LB818	Banking, Commerce and Insurance
LB819	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB820	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB821	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB822	Judiciary
LB823	Revenue
LB824	Judiciary
LB825	General Affairs
LB826	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB827	Health and Human Services
LB828	Health and Human Services
LB829	Business and Labor
LB830	Judiciary
LB831	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB832	Natural Resources
LB833	Business and Labor
LB834	General Affairs
LB835	Judiciary
LB836	Natural Resources
LB837	Revenue
LB838	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB839	Government, Military and Veterans Affairs
LB840	Judiciary
LB841	Transportation and Telecommunications
LB842	Judiciary
LB843	
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LB845	Natural Resources
LB846	Business and Labor
	General Affairs
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## (Signed) John Wightman, Chairperson Executive Board

#### RESOLUTION

# **LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 282.** Introduced by Hadley, 37.

WHEREAS, Dr. Richard Miller, a psychology professor at the University of Nebraska at Kearney, is the first Nebraska educator to be named a United States Professor of the Year by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miller has also received the Robert S. Daniel Award for outstanding teaching at a four-year college or university from the American Psychological Association; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miller has also received the top University of Nebraska at Kearney teaching and mentoring awards, which include the Pratt-Heins Foundation Award for Excellence in Teaching and the Leland Holdt/Security Mutual Life Distinguished Professor Award; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Miller has also received the University of Nebraska Outstanding Teaching and Instructional Creativity Award.

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

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates Dr. Richard Miller for his outstanding achievements in the field of higher education.
  - 2, That a copy of this resolution be sent to Dr. Richard Miller.

Laid over.

#### GENERAL FILE

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 261.** The Fischer amendment, AM323, found on page 576, First Session, 2009, and considered in this day's Journal, to the committee amendment, was renewed.

The Fischer amendment was adopted with 40 ayes, 1 nay, 5 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Senator Rogert withdrew his amendment, AM1544, found on page 125.

Senator Rogert offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

#### AM1545

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM182)

- 1. On page 1, line 18, strike "(3)" and insert "(3)(a)".
- 2. On page 2, after line 16 insert the following new
- 3 subdivision:

- 4 "(b) Information scanned, compiled, stored, or preserved
- 5 pursuant to subdivision (a) of this subsection may not be retained
- 6 longer than eighteen months unless required by state or federal
- 7 <u>law.</u>".
- 8 3. On page 3, after line 3 insert the following new
- 9 subsection:
- 10 "(5) Except as provided in subsection (4) of this
- 11 section, information scanned, compiled, stored, or preserved
- 12 pursuant to this section may not be traded or sold to a third
- party; used for any marketing or sales purpose by any person,
- 14 including the retailer who obtained the information; or, unless
- pursuant to a court order, reported or shared with any third party.
- A person who violates this subsection shall be guilty of a Class
- 17 IV felony.".

The Rogert amendment was adopted with 38 ayes, 0 nays, 8 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Senator Lathrop offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

FA54

Amend AM182

Add on page 2 line 6 the word "only" between "may" and "be" and on page 2 line 8 after "products" add "and may not be shared with any other person or entity".

The Lathrop amendment was adopted with 40 ayes, 0 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Committee AM182, found on page 367 and considered on page 576, First Session, 2009, and considered in this day's Journal, as amended, was renewed.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 35 ayes, 5 nays, 6 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 33 ayes, 8 nays, 5 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 522. Title read. Considered.

Advanced to Enrollment and Review Initial with 43 ayes, 0 nays, 3 present and not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

## LEGISLATIVE BILL 72. Title read. Considered.

Committee AM366, found on page 513, First Session, 2009, was considered.

#### SENATOR FISCHER PRESIDING

#### SENATOR LANGEMEIER PRESIDING

Pending.

#### BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 869. Introduced by Karpisek, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend sections 53-123.12, 53-130, 53-135, and 53-138.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 53-124.11 and 53-129, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008, and section 53-131, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to provide for application and renewal fees; to change provisions relating to registration fees; to change the distribution of fees; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 870.** Introduced by Karpisek, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Liquor Control Act; to amend section 53-149, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to provide for a temporary operating permit; and to repeal the original section.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 871.** Introduced by Fischer, 43.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Game Law; to amend section 37-413, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change provisions relating to persons accompanying apprentice hunters; and to repeal the original section.

# LEGISLATIVE BILL 872. Introduced by Lathrop, 12.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to workers' compensation; to amend section 48-120.04, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change applicability of a medical fee schedule as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 873.** Introduced by Giese, 17.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend section 77-1716, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to eliminate provisions relating to notification of delinquent property taxes; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 874.** Introduced by Giese, 17.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Nebraska Probation Administration Act; to amend section 29-2259, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to office expenses; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original section.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 875.** Introduced by Giese, 17.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to elections; to amend sections 32-101, 32-312, 32-312.05, 32-318.01, 32-321, 32-323, 32-325, 32-902, 32-914, and 32-915, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 60-484.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to provide for voter registration on the Secretary of State's web site; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 876.** Introduced by Howard, 9.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to amend sections 44-2825 and 44-2832, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change recovery amounts under the Nebraska Hospital-Medical Liability Act; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 877.** Introduced by Cornett, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-701, 77-1363, 77-1502, 77-1507, 77-3517, 77-5007, 77-5013, and 77-5016, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to authorize appeals by the Tax Commissioner and Property Tax Administrator as prescribed; to change provisions relating to soil surveys; to change provisions relating to descriptions of property for property tax purposes; to change provisions relating to homestead exemptions; to change powers and duties of the Tax Equalization and Review Commission; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 878.** Introduced by Cornett, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 77-1784, 77-2756, and 77-2794, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to electronic fund transfers, income tax withholding, and overpayments of tax; to eliminate a provision relating to electronic filings and payments; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 77-2769.02, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 879.** Introduced by Cornett, 45.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to revenue and taxation; to amend sections 9-1,101, 66-719, 77-2701.38, 77-2711, 77-2712.03, 77-2789, 77-2790, 77-2796, 77-27,100, 77-27,119, 77-5725, 77-5726, 77-5735, and 81-8,128, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 60-484, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008; to change provisions relating to waiver of interest, the streamlined sales and use tax agreement, failure to file, penalties, certain appeal procedures, certain tax incentives, and funding; to require the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide certain information to the Department of Revenue as prescribed; to provide for publication of delinquent taxpayer lists, disclosure of certain information to the Department of Labor, and applicability; to harmonize provisions; to provide

a duty for the Revisor of Statutes; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

LEGISLATIVE BILL 880. Introduced by Rogert, 16; Stuthman, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 28-1213, 28-1239.01, 28-1241, 28-1244, 28-1246, 28-1247, 28-1249, and 28-1250, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to fireworks; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 881.** Introduced by Rogert, 16.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the State Fire Marshal; to amend sections 28-1213, 28-1241, 28-1242, 28-1244, 28-1248, 28-1249, and 28-1250, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change and eliminate provisions relating to fireworks; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal section 28-1247, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 882.** Introduced by Rogert, 16; Dubas, 34.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to agriculture; to amend section 54-744, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change provisions relating to disposal of dead animals; and to repeal the original section.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 883.** Introduced by Coash, 27; Karpisek, 32.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to farm wineries; to amend sections 53-123.11 and 53-164.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008; to provide for offsite storage facilities; to change reporting and payment requirements for farm wineries; and to repeal the original sections.

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 884.** Introduced by McGill, 26.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to labor; to amend section 48-1231, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and sections 48-1230 and 48-1232, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008; to require employers to provide employees with wage and deduction information as prescribed; to provide a remedy; to harmonize sections; and to repeal the original sections.

### GENERAL FILE

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 72.** Senator Lathrop offered the following amendment to the committee amendment:

**FA55** 

Amend AM366

Strike Page 1 lines 15-23 and page 2 lines 1-6.

The Lathrop amendment was adopted with 30 ayes, 1 nay, 15 present and

not voting, and 3 excused and not voting.

Committee AM366, found on page 513, First Session, 2009, and considered in this day's Journal, as amended, was renewed.

The committee amendment, as amended, was adopted with 29 ayes, 0 nays, 18 present and not voting, and 2 excused and not voting.

Senator Cornett moved for a call of the house. The motion prevailed with 41 ayes, 0 nays, and 8 not voting.

Senator Cornett requested a roll call vote on the advancement of the bill.

Voting in the affirmative, 21:

Adams	Cornett	Giese	Lathrop	Wightman
Ashford	Council	Haar	McGill	_
Avery	Dierks	Harms	Mello	
Conrad	Dubas	Howard	Rogert	
Cook	Flood	Karpisek	White	

# Voting in the negative, 27:

Campbell	Gloor	Langemeier	Pahls	Sullivan
Christensen	Hadley	Lautenbaugh	Pankonin	Utter
Coash	Hansen	Louden	Pirsch	Wallman
Fischer	Heidemann	McCoy	Price	
Fulton	Janssen	Nelson	Schilz	
Gay	Krist	Nordquist	Stuthman	

Excused and not voting, 1:

### Carlson

Failed to advance to Enrollment and Review Initial with 21 ayes, 27 nays, and 1 excused and not voting.

The Chair declared the call raised.

#### BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following bills were read for the first time by title:

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 885.** Introduced by Nordquist, 7; Mello, 5.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to energy; to amend sections 11-201, 13-1205, 13-2043, 33-151, 57-605, 57-607, 57-701, 57-902, 57-903, 57-904, 57-905, 57-906, 57-907, 57-908, 57-909, 57-910, 57-910.01, 57-910.02, 57-910.03, 57-910.05, 57-910.06, 57-910.07, 57-910.08,

57-910.09, 57-910.10, 57-910.11, 57-910.12, 57-911, 57-912, 57-913, 57-914, 57-915, 57-916, 57-916.01, 57-917, 57-918, 57-920, 57-921, 57-922, 57-923, 58-221, 66-1004, 66-1009, 70-1003, 72-804, 72-805, 81-1011, 81-1108.55, 81-1201.04, 81-1316, 81-1531.01, 81-1606, 81-1607, 81-1608, 81-1609, 81-1611, 81-1613, 81-1614, 81-1615, 81-1616, 81-1617, 81-1618, 81-1620, 81-1622, 81-1625, 81-1626, 81-1635, 81-1636, 81-1637, 81-1638, 81-1639, 81-1640, 81-1641, 81-3453, 81-3541, 84-166, and 84-1005, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 46-601.01, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008, sections 57-919, 81-1607.01, and 81-1634, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, as amended by sections 33, 81, and 82, respectively, Legislative Bill 3, One Hundred First Legislature, First Special Session, 2009, and section 57-705, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009, as amended by section 32, Legislative Bill 3, One Hundred First Legislature, First Special Session, 2009; to transfer powers, duties, positions of employment, funds, violations, penalties, and other provisions relating to the Nebraska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and the State Energy Office to the newly created Nebraska Energy Commission as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 57-901, 81-1601, 81-1602, 81-1603, 81-1605, and 81-1612, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 886.** Introduced by Stuthman, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 28-1427 and 29-431, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions relating to minors and tobacco as prescribed; to provide a penalty; to harmonize provisions; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 887.** Introduced by Stuthman, 22.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to horseracing; to amend section 2-1228, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to change requirements for an interstate simulcast facility license; to provide an operative date; and to repeal the original section.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 888.** Introduced by Conrad, 46.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to limited liability companies; to amend sections 9-614, 67-248.02, 70-1903, 77-2704.57, 77-2716, and 77-2734.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska; to adopt the Nebraska Uniform Limited Liability Company Act; to terminate the Limited Liability Company Act; to provide applicability; to harmonize provisions; to provide an operative date; to provide severability; and to repeal the original sections.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 889.** Introduced by Christensen, 44.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to crimes and offenses; to amend sections 28-1406, 28-1408, 28-1409, 28-1410, 28-1411, 28-1412, 28-1413, 28-1415, 28-1416, and 29-439, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and section 28-101, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change and eliminate

provisions relating to the justification for the use of force; to provide a presumption; to harmonize provisions; to provide severability; to repeal the original sections; and to outright repeal sections 28-1407 and 28-1414, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska.

## **LEGISLATIVE BILL 890.** Introduced by Pahls, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banking and finance; to amend sections 8-142, 8-143, 8-183.04, 8-908, 8-1502, and 21-1725.01, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, sections 8-115.01, 8-157, 8-234, and 8-374, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008, and sections 8-1,140, 8-355, and 21-17,115, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change provisions relating to the delivery of certain notices; to change and provide powers and duties for the Department of Banking and Finance and Director of Banking and Finance; to change capital requirements for converted savings associations; to change and provide criminal penalties and civil liability relating to violations of loan limit provisions; to revise powers of state-chartered banks, building and loan associations, and credit unions; to change provisions relating to bank holding company management; to change notice provisions relating to acquisitions; to harmonize provisions; to provide operative dates; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

# **LEGISLATIVE BILL 891.** Introduced by Pahls, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banks and banking; to amend sections 8-101.01 and 8-602, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to provide for conditional bank charters, powers and duties for the Department of Banking and Finance and the Director of Banking and Finance, and for fees; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

### **LEGISLATIVE BILL 892.** Introduced by Pahls, 31.

A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to banking and finance; to amend sections 45-101.04 and 45-1068, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, section 45-1005, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2008, and sections 8-702, 45-701, 45-702, 45-704, 45-705, 45-724, 45-725, 45-726, 45-728, 45-730, 45-733, 45-737, 45-741, 45-742, 45-748, 45-749, 45-1002, 45-1018, 45-1033.01, and 45-1033.02, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2009; to change provisions relating to federal deposit insurance requirements, the Residential Mortgage Licensing Act, the Nebraska Installment Loan Act, and reverse-mortgage loans; to harmonize provisions; to repeal the original sections; and to declare an emergency.

### RESOLUTION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 283.** Introduced by Harms, 48; Louden, 49; Schilz, 47.

WHEREAS, Aubree Worden, a junior at Scottsbluff High School, was named the All-Region Girls' Cross Country Runner of the Year by the Scottsbluff Star-Herald newspaper; and

WHEREAS, Aubree Worden had an outstanding year in cross country, winning her second straight state championship in Class B and an All-Class Gold Medal at the 2009 Girls' State Cross Country Meet; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature should recognize the academic, athletic, and artistic achievements of the youth of our state.

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

- 1. That the Legislature congratulates Aubree Worden on her achievements.
  - 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Aubree Worden.

Laid over.

## NOTICE OF COMMITTEE HEARING

Agriculture

Room 2102

Tuesday, January 19, 2010 1:30 p.m.

LB731 LB748

(Signed) Tom Carlson, Chairperson

## **AMENDMENTS - Print in Journal**

Senator Lautenbaugh filed the following amendment to <u>LB512</u>: AM1549

- 1 1. On page 2, line 5, strike beginning with "pursuant"
- 2 through "<u>23-174.09</u>" in line 7.

Senator Cornett filed the following amendment to <u>LB72A</u>: AM1551

- 1. Strike the original section and insert the following
- 2 new section:
- 3 Section 1. There is hereby appropriated \$46,000 from
- 4 the General Fund for FY2010-11 to the State Department of
- 5 Education, for Program 25, to aid in carrying out the provisions of

- 6 Legislative Bill 72, One Hundred First Legislature, Second Session,
- $7 \ \overline{2010}$ .
- 8 No expenditures for permanent and temporary salaries and
- 9 per diems for state employees shall be made from funds appropriated
- 10 in this section.

#### RESOLUTION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 284CA.** Introduced by Utter, 33; Campbell, 25; Fischer, 43; Hadley, 37; Mello, 5; Nordquist, 7.

THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION, RESOLVE THAT:

Section 1. At the general election in November 2010 the following proposed amendment to the Constitution of Nebraska shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Nebraska for approval or rejection:

To amend Article IV, sections 1 and 3:

IV-1 The executive officers of the state shall be the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and the heads of such other executive departments as set forth herein or as may be established by law. The Legislature may provide for the placing of the above named officers as heads over such departments of government as it may by law establish.

The Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Secretary of State, <u>and Auditor of Public Accounts</u>, and State Treasurer shall be chosen at the general election held in November 1974, and in each alternate even-numbered year thereafter, for a term of four years and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Each candidate for Governor shall select a person to be the candidate for Lieutenant Governor on the general election ballot. In the general election one vote shall be cast jointly for the candidates for Governor and Lieutenant Governor. The Governor shall be ineligible to the office of Governor for four years next after the expiration of two consecutive terms for which he or she was elected.

The records, books, and papers of all executive officers shall be kept at the seat of government. Executive officers shall reside within the State of Nebraska during their respective terms of office. Officers in the executive department of the state shall perform such duties as may be provided by law.

The heads of all executive departments established by law, other than those to be elected as provided herein, shall be appointed by the Governor, with the consent of a majority of all members elected to the Legislature, but officers so appointed may be removed by the Governor. Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, the heads of the various executive or civil departments shall have power to appoint and remove all subordinate employees in their respective departments.

IV-3 The treasurer shall be ineligible to the office of treasurer, for two years next after the expiration of two consecutive terms for which he was elected.

The term of office of the State Treasurer elected at the general election at which this constitutional amendment passes shall end on January 1, 2013, at which time the office shall be abolished.

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

A constitutional amendment to abolish the office of the State Treasurer on January 1, 2013.

For

Against.

Referred to the Reference Committee.

### UNANIMOUS CONSENT - Add Cointroducers

Senator Gay asked unanimous consent to add his name as cointroducer to LB726. No objections. So ordered.

Senator Coash asked unanimous consent to add his name as cointroducer to LB865. No objections. So ordered.

### VISITOR

Visitor to the Chamber was Michael Meyer from Kearney.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 3:53 p.m., on a motion by Senator Schilz, the Legislature adjourned until 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 12, 2010.

Patrick J. O'Donnell Clerk of the Legislature