

ONE HUNDRED FOURTH LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 256

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Nordquist, 7; Stinner, 48; Watermeier, 1.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to study the history and development of the Peter Kiewit Institute (PKI) to include the University of Nebraska Omaha (UNO) College of Information Science and Technology and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln (UNL) College of Engineering. The University of Nebraska indicates that to move PKI forward, additional state financial support will be required in terms of both operations and facility development. The study of PKI shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) The history of public and private funding;
- (2) The organizational structure and management;
- (3) Past and present strategic planning efforts;
- (4) Plans for the expansion of UNO's College of Information Science and Technology and UNL's College of Engineering in education, research, and outreach;
- (5) Plans for facility development and space utilization;
- (6) The partnerships with private corporations, government agencies, and other academic institutions;
- (7) The availability of other sources of funds for expansion including federal and private funding; and
- (8) The development of measurable outcomes to evaluate progress.

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

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

2. That the committee shall upon the conclusion of its study make a report

of its findings, together with its recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.