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of what we can do as a state to ensure that every child in Nebraska is healthy, safe, and successful. This team will review the entire system of state services for children and recommend how we can better focus our resources to meet the needs of children in our state. In addition, the Lieutenant Governor will lead a partnership between the State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Human Services on early childhood care and education issues. The partnership's focus will be to implement the Business Council on Child Care Financing recommendation to coordinate and consolidate, eliminate multiple and duplicate commissions and boards for the purpose of efficiently administering, managing and monitoring early childhood care and education programs in our state. Without a close second, the emphasis of this message has been on the health, safety, and the success of our children. The funds I am seeking and the initiatives I have proposed are important and, in my judgment, a sound investment for our long-term future. A year ago I delivered my first State of the State address. I told you that we could and must work together for our great state. And as I conclude today, I repeat that same message. Working together we unite Nebraska as we advance a vision which benefits all of our citizens, a vision of less government, lowering our taxes, building our economy, protecting our families, and advancing the health, safety and success of our children. Ladies and gentlemen, thank you very, very much.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Governor Johanns. Thank you, Governor Johanns. We will stand at ease.

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PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Members, if we can have your attention, we will reconvene. If you went back to your office, if you can please come back to the floor, we will continue this morning's business. Mr. Clerk, items for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, new bills. (Read LB 1210-1217 by title for the first time.) Last item, Mr. President, at this time is a new resolution, LR 294CA by Senator Kristensen. (Read by title for the first time.) That's all that I have, Mr. President. (Legislative Journal pages 259-262.)